

**IN THE COURTS FOR THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF FLORIDA**

**ESCAMBIA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE ECAD2016-03  
(Vacates ECAD2016-01)**

**IN RE:           DIVISION “R” - DEFINED**

**ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE**

**WHEREAS**, Administrative Order No. 2015-59 entered by Chief Judge Linda L. Nobles December 7, 2015 creates Escambia County Division “R”; and

**WHEREAS**, Division “R” is established to include those cases designated as mental health (“MH”); and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to direct the Clerk of Court for Escambia County the case types to be assigned to Division “R,” it is

**ORDERED** that

1. The following cases types shall be assigned to Division “R” effective January 4, 2015:

**Baker Act (§394, *Florida Statutes*)**

**Substance Abuse (§397, *Florida Statutes*)**

**Incapacity (§744.3201, *Florida Statutes*)**

**Writ of Habeas Corpus related to above case types**

2. The following case types are to be assigned to the General Jurisdiction Divisions in Escambia County by the Clerk of Court’s routine random assignment process:

**Tuberculosis (§392.56, *Florida Statutes*)**

**Protective Services (§415.1051, *Florida Statutes*)**

**Emergency Admission (§415.1051(2), *Florida Statutes*)**

**Expedited Medical (*Fla. Prob. R. 5.900*)**

**Writ of Habeas Corpus related to above case types**

3. As indicated in Paragraph 1. above, Division “R” shall be assigned incapacity cases. The judge presiding over Division “R” shall hear only the uncontested cases. Contested incapacity cases shall be referred by the Division “R” judge to the judge assigned to the accompanying Guardianship case.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Pensacola, Escambia County, Florida this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016, *nunc pro tunc* January 4, 2016.

/S/ EDWARD P. NICKINSON, III

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**EDWARD P. NICKINSON, III**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE**

Copies furnished to:  
All Judges, Escambia County  
Honorable Pam Childers, Clerk of Court, Escambia County