

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN
AND FOR BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.:I-07-L-2

IN RE:

THE AMERICANS WITH
DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990 (ADA)
SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

WHEREAS, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) requires that reasonable accommodations be provided on request to qualified persons in order that they might participate fully in court programs, services, activities, and benefits; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the 17th Judicial Circuit to facilitate the provision of reasonable accommodations when requested by qualified persons in conformance with the ADA and Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.540;

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in the Chief Judge by Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, it is

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all communications noticing court proceedings or services in the 17th Judicial Circuit will include the following substantive language:

1. "If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact [identify applicable court personnel by name, address, and telephone number] within 2 working days of your receipt of this [describe notice]; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711."

2. The Clerk of the Court or any court programs initiating communications noticing court proceedings or services within the 17th Judicial Circuit will provide the name, address, and phone numbers of an ADA Coordinator from his/her/its organization and will be responsible for properly responding to public requests for accommodations under the ADA.

DONE AND ORDERED in chambers in Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida this 22nd day of March, 2007.

/s/DALE ROSS
DALE ROSS, Chief Judge