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

## Administrative Order 2018-10-Gen

## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER REGARDING PROVISION OF ADA ACCOMMODATIONS

(a) Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215 (b) (3) states the Chief Judge "shall, considering available resources, ensure the efficient and proper administration of all courts within [this] circuit."

(b) Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.540 governs Requests for Accommodations by Persons with Disabilities.

(c) In accordance with the authority vested in the Chief Judge by Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, it is hereby **ORDERED**:

(1) The Trial Court Administrator shall post the following information on the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit's web page and at each courthouse location: (a) the procedures for requesting accommodations from the court or court administration program; and (b) the grievance procedures that allow for the resolution of complaints.

(2) The Clerk of the Courts and any individual or entity contracting with the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit shall comply with the requirements of Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.540.

(3) All matters noticed or ordered for a hearing or conference before a judge or quasi-judicial officer or court administration program shall contain, in bold face, 14-point Times New Roman or Courier font, the following:

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 Diana Sobel, Room 20140, 201 S.E. Sixth Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301, 954-831-7721 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification

## if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

(4) The Administrative Order vacates and supersedes Administrative Order 2014-5-Gen.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers, Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida on this 12th day of February, 2018.

<u>/s/ Jack Tuter</u> Jack Tuter, Chief Judge