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

## *Administrative Order 2021-30-CO (Amendment 2)*

## ESTABLISHING COURTHOUSE LOCATIONS AND CASE DISTRIBUTION FOR COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS, AND MISDEMEANORS

(a) Pursuant to Article V, section 2(d) of the Florida Constitution and section 43.26, Florida Statutes, the chief judge of each judicial circuit is charged with the authority and power to do everything necessary to promote the prompt and efficient administration of justice.

(b) Florida Rule of General Practice and 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."

(c) The Broward County Board of County Commissioners has established four (4) courthouses in Broward County. The Broward County Central Judicial Complex is located at 201 S.E. Sixth Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301 ("Central Courthouse"). The North Regional Courthouse is located at 1600 West Hillsboro Boulevard, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442 ("North Regional Courthouse"). The South Regional Courthouse is located at 3550 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, Florida 33021 ("South Regional Courthouse"). The West Regional Courthouse is located at 100 North Pine Island Road, Plantation, Florida 33324 ("West Regional Courthouse"). For purposes of this amended Administrative Order, the Central Courthouse, North Regional Courthouse, South Regional Courthouse, and West Regional Courthouse will collectively be referred to as the "Broward County Courthouses."

(d) In accordance with the authority vested in the Chief Judge by Article V, section 2(d) of the Florida Constitution, section 43.26, Florida Statute, and Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215, it is hereby **ORDERED, effective September 5, 2023:** 

(1) County ordinance violations, misdemeanors, and municipal ordinance violations shall be filed and heard as indicated below, except as otherwise provided herein:

Initiating Law Enforcement Agency	Courthouse
	Location

BSO District 1 (West Park)	South
BSO District 2 (Dania Beach)	Central
BSO District 3 (Airport)	Central
BSO District 4 (Lauderdale Lakes)	Central
BSO District 5 (West of Ft. Lauderdale)	Central
BSO District 6 (Courthouse)	Central
BSO District 7 (Tamarac)	West
BSO District 8 (Weston)	West
BSO District 9 (Southwest Ranches)	Central
BSO District 10 (Deerfield Beach)	North
BSO District 11 (Pompano Beach)	Central
	(Division MA)
BSO District 12 (Oakland Park)	Central
BSO District 13 (Lauderdale-by-the-Sea)	Central
BSO District 14 (Port Everglades Authority)	Central
BSO District 15 (North Lauderdale)	Central
BSO District 16 (Cooper City)	South
BSO District 17 (Parkland)	North
BSO Fatality Cases	Central
(offenses occurring north of Oakland Park Boulevard)	(Division
	MXD)
BSO Fatality Cases	Central
(offenses occurring south of Oakland Park Boulevard)	(Division
	MXD)
BSO Special Operations	Central
Broward County Animal Care & Regulation	West
(adjudication of animal care violation)	
Broward County School Board	Central
City of Lauderhill Police Department	Central
City of Lazy Lake	Central
Coconut Creek Police Department	North
Coral Springs Police Department	North
CSX Railroad	Central
Davie Police Department	West
City of Fort Lauderdale (MM and TC cases)	Central
City of Fort Lauderdale (MO cases)	Central
	(Division MW)
Florida Atlantic University Police Department	Central
Florida East Coast Railroad	Central

Florida Highway Patrol (North)	North
Florida Highway Patrol (West)	West
Hallandale Beach Police Department	South
Hillsboro Beach Police Department	North
Hollywood Police Department	South
Lighthouse Point Police Department	Central
Margate Police Department	North
Miccosukee Indian Nation	South
Miramar Police Department	South
Pembroke Park Police Department	South
Pembroke Pines Police Department	South
Plantation Police Department	West
Sea Ranch Lakes Police Department	Central
Seminole Indian Nation	Central
"Smoking in Public Violations"	North
(§ 386.204, Fla. Stat.)	
State of Florida – Department of Motor Vehicles	Central
State of Florida - Department of Transportation	South
State of Florida - Division of Alcohol & Tobacco	West
State of Florida - Division of Driver's License	Central
(Hallandale Beach, Pembroke Pines and Hollywood	
offices)	
State of Florida – Division of Driver's License	Central
(Tamarac & Lauderhill)	
State of Florida - Division of Driver's License	Central
(Pompano and Margate Offices)	
State of Florida - Division of Forestry	South
State of Florida - Fire Marshall Cases	North
State of Florida - Fresh Water Fish and Game	Central
Commission	
State of Florida - Highway Patrol	North
State of Florida - Marine Patrol	South
State of Florida - Office of Toll Operations (Sunpass)	West
Sunrise Police Department	West
Tri-Rail	North
Wilton Manors Police Department	Central
	(Division MA)

(2) Cases filed in accordance with this administrative order that are required to be filed at a specific courthouse location (Central, North, South, or West) shall be assigned by the Clerk of Court to the judicial officers assigned to the county criminal divisions at these courthouse locations in as equal a distribution as possible, except as set forth herein or as otherwise directed by memorandum from the Chief Judge or Administrative Judge of the County Court.

(3) Cases filed prior to the effective date of this amended Administrative Order shall remain with the originally assigned courthouse location and county criminal judicial division assigned at the time of filing.

(4) Cases involving a charge of DUI and which are designated by the prefix "MU" shall be filed to the Central Courthouse location and assigned to county criminal judicial officers at the Central Courthouse location in as equal a distribution as possible, except as set forth herein or as otherwise directed by memorandum from the Chief Judge or Administrative Judge of the County Court.

(5) Any State of Florida agency, department, division, or office not reflected in paragraph (1) shall file its initiating criminal documents at the Central Courthouse.

(6) This Administrative Order vacates and supersedes Administrative Order 2021-30-CO (Amended).

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers, Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida, this 8th day of August, 2023.

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