

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

Administrative Order No. 2024-5-UFC

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HEARING
WAITING AREAS**

(a) Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215 (b) (3) states the chief judge shall “develop an administrative plan” and “shall, considering available resources, ensure the efficient and proper administration of all courts within [this] circuit.”

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

(1) Respondents appearing for domestic violence hearings shall wait in Room 10106, Room 10107, Room 11106 or Room 11107 or other area as directed by either the presiding judge or Broward County Deputy Sheriff or Court Bailiff.

(2) Petitioners appearing for domestic violence hearings shall wait on benches in the hallways outside the courtrooms and away from Room 10106, Room 10107, Room 11106, or Room 11107 or at such other area as directed by either the presiding judge or Broward County Deputy Sheriff or Court Bailiff.

(3) Respondents appearing for domestic violence hearings on the Ninth (9th) floor shall wait in Room 9106 or other area as directed by either the presiding judge or Broward County Deputy Sheriff or Court Bailiff.

This order vacates and supersedes Administrative Order 2017-23-UFC.

DONE AND ORDERED in chambers at Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida on this 21st day of February, 2024.

/s/ Jack Tuter
Jack Tuter, Chief Judge