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

Administrative Order 2020-10-Gen

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER AUTHORIZING LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO EFFECT SERVICE OF INJUNCTIONS FOR PROTECTION PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 741.30 AND 784.046, FLORIDA STATUTES

(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 the power to do everything necessary to promote the prompt and efficient administration of justice.

(b) 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."

(c) Sections 741.30 and 784.046, Florida Statutes, set forth the procedures for service of injunctions for protection, and permit the Chief Judge, in consultation, with the Sheriff to authorize local law enforcement agencies within Broward County to effect service as required under sections 741.30 and 784.046, Florida Statutes.

(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 Statutes, Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, and sections 741.30 and 784.046, Florida Statutes, it is hereby **ORDERED**:

(1) The Broward Sheriff's Office shall remain the primary agency responsible for serving injunctions for protection issued under sections 741.30 and 784.046, Florida Statutes, upon individuals who reside in or can be found in Broward County.

(2) After consultation with the Sheriff, the undersigned, as Chief Judge, authorizes the following local law enforcement agencies to effect service as required under sections 741.30 and 784.046, Florida Statutes:

Coral Springs Police Department Lighthouse Point Police Department

Coconut Creek Police Department
Davie Police Department
Fort Lauderdale Police Department
Hallandale Beach Police Department
Hillsboro Beach Police Department
Hollywood Police Department
Lauderhill Police Department
Margate Police Department
Miramar Police Department
Pembroke Pines Police Department
Plantation Police Department
Sunrise Police Department
Wilton Manors Police Department

(3) Any law enforcement agency listed above may continue to have the Broward Sheriff's Office effect service under sections 741.30 and 784.046, Florida Statutes, until their officers are sufficiently trained and prepared to effect service.

(4) Any local law enforcement agency enumerated above which **chooses not** to effect service under sections 741.30 and 784.046, Florida Statutes, shall notify the Sheriff in writing. The law enforcement agencies listed above are only permitted to effect service for documents as prescribed in sections 741.30 and 784.046, Florida Statutes.

(5) When the respondent resides, or can be found, within the jurisdictional boundary of a law enforcement agency that has elected to effect service pursuant to this Administrative Order, that agency is responsible to effect service. Nothing in this Administrative Order prevents local law enforcement agencies in Broward County from working harmoniously with the Broward Sheriff's Office to effect service, or from adopting an inter-local agreement as to service under sections 741.30 and 784.046, Florida Statutes.

(6) A local law enforcement agency effecting service pursuant to sections 741.30 or 784.046, Florida Statutes, shall use the service and verification procedures consistent with those of the Sheriff. The Sheriff may provide educational training to local law enforcement agencies on its service and verification procedures and on statutory requirements for service of process under Florida law. Any law enforcement agency effecting service under sections 741.30 or 784.046, Florida Statutes, must do so in accord with Florida law.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 22nd day of January 2020.

/s/ Jack Tuter
Jack Tuter, Chief Judge