

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR ALACHUA AND LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

JURY TRIAL DOCKET - FELONY DIVISION IV

THIS CAUSE came before the Court on the Court's own Motion concerning cases to be heard at Pretrial Conference, or were otherwise determined to be ready for trial and set for trial. It is therefore, **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that:

1. **All motions** to Suppress, Dismiss, Exclude, (such as *In Limine*, eg.) or any other motion which *can be, or should be* filed, served, scheduled and heard prior to Jury Selection shall be so filed and scheduled for Hearing by the moving party, so that the matter or issue can be determined **prior to Jury selection.**

Except for reasons wholly beyond control of moving party or emergencies (not occasioned by moving party's action, inaction or untimely action) the Court will not Hear such matters at jury selection, unless the Court has, *in advance*, determined that an exception to this Order is appropriate (eg., stipulated motions; uncontested matters; minimal matters)

This rule addresses "11th-hour" motions filed at or immediately prior to jury selection requiring substantial Court time and attention, where said motions could and should have been filed and Heard in due course. This has resulted in forced Continuances due to circumstances created by Counsel.

2. **Trial Status Schedule:** Days certain for trial will be determined *after* Trial Status Conferences in Levy and Alachua Counties. They will be established by separate Order.

Alachua County	--	Third Tuesday of every month at 9:00 a.m.
Levy County	--	Third Thursday of every month at 1:00 p.m.

3. **Appearance at Trial Status:** **The defendant and his/her counsel are Ordered to appear** for the Trial Status Conference, prepared to announce anticipated trial duration and discuss witness availability/scheduling matters.

4. **Change of Plea after Trial Status:** Plea agreements will not be accepted after Trial Status. Any such pleas shall be pleas "open to the Court."

5. **Pre-Trial meeting:** All Counsel and all defendants SHALL appear **Monday, (4th Monday of each Month) at 9:00 a.m.** for a meeting prior to jury selections to discuss any remaining trial issues; or changes of plea.

6. **Jury Selection:** **Monday, (4th Monday of each Month) at 10:00 a.m.** Counsel shall ensure client is dressed appropriately for Court. If the defendant is in custody, Counsel must make *prior arrangements* for suitable clothing. **Do not put this matter off until the morning of Jury selection.**

7. **Pre-Mark Trial Exhibits:** Counsel shall make arrangements with the Clerk to mark intended exhibits *before* trial.

DONE and ORDERED in Chambers at Gainesville, Florida, this 9th day of February, 2010.

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DAVID A. GLANT, CIRCUIT JUDGE

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