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STATE OF MICHIGAN

CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF MACOMB

In re Assignment of Cases

Administrative Order 1997-4

I. Family Division Cases

From October 1, 1997 through close of court business on December 31, 1997, all new Family Division cases, excluding juvenile offenses, abuse and neglect, adoption, name changes and parental consent cases, will be assigned by lot among the two Circuit Court judges assigned to the Family Division. The enumerated excluded cases will be assigned to the Family Division judge located in the Juvenile Court facility.

Beginning January 2, 1998, all new Family Division cases, excluding juvenile offenses, abuse and neglect, adoption, name changes and parental consent cases, will be assigned by lot among the two Circuit and one Probate judges assigned to the Family Division and located in the Circuit Court building. The enumerated excluded cases will be assigned to the Family Division judge located in the Juvenile Court facility.

Effective January 1, 1998, the Family Division cases of the Circuit judges who are not assigned to the Family Division will be reassigned to the three Family Division judges located in the Circuit Court building. Pursuant to the Plan for Operation of the Family Division, judges will be given an opportunity to retain selected domestic relations cases, based upon the best interests of the parties and/or children. Reasons for retention include pending motions or opinions, imminent resolution of the case, date certain hearings or trials scheduled, etc.

Upon implementation of Phase II of the Plan for Operation of the Family Division, all Family Division cases will be assigned by lot among the judges of the Family Division.

II. Civil and Criminal Cases

Beginning October 1, 1997, all new civil and criminal cases will be assigned by lot among the Circuit judges who are not assigned to the Family Division.

Effective January 1, 1998, all civil and criminal cases of the two Circuit judges assigned to the Family Division will be reassigned to the seven Circuit judges not assigned to the Family Division. Pursuant to the Plan for Operation of the Family Division, the two Family Division judges will be given the opportunity to retain selected civil or criminal cases, based upon the best

interests of the parties. Reasons for retention include pending motions or opinions, imminent resolution of the case, date certain hearings or trials scheduled, etc.

III. Repeal of Administrative Order 1997-2

Administrative Order 1997-2, which assigned all superintending control, forfeiture and mandamus actions to the Chief Judge, is REPEALED.

IV. Effective Date

This order shall take effect on October 1, 1997.



Peter J. Maceroni
Chief Judge

Dated: NOV. 4, 1997