

This Order re-codifies provisions of prior Administrative Order 1985-4, page 7030:

IT IS ORDERED:

1. The mediation division of the Friend of the Court Office is responsible for mediation of custody and/or visitation disputes, as provided for by law, where the parties jointly agree to submit a dispute to such resolution.
2. The Friend of the Court shall designate qualified personnel to provide mediation. Any mediators designated to provide formal custody and visitation dispute mediation shall possess the qualifications as required by law except as to those who had been designated as mediators prior to July 1, 1983. In the case of such "grandfathered" mediators, the Friend of the Court shall made every effort to provide such mediators with training as may be prescribed by the State Court Administrative Office.
3. Nothing herein shall prohibit the Friend of the Court from continuing to provide informal dispute resolution through enforcement officers and investigators of the office.
4. Any proposed settlement of a dispute which is accepted by the parties shall be reduced to a written order, which must be consented to by the parties on the face thereof and submitted to the court by the mediator or either of the parties' counsel of record.
5. This Order is effective April 1, 1993.

Dated: _____

2/26/93


JAMES P. KINGSLEY, P15983
Chief Circuit Judge

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37th Judicial Circuit,
Deputy Court Clerk