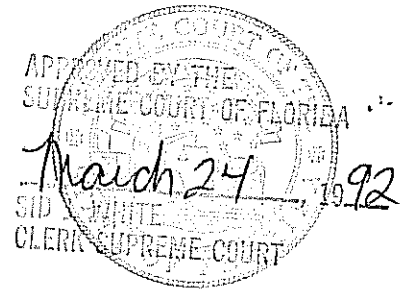


OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE  
FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
LOCAL RULE #92-03



WHEREAS, the present method of selecting jurors can be expedited without additional expense or loss of the sanctity of random selection by the use of the electronic computer available for use by Gulf County, and

WHEREAS, the source of such selection is from the voter registration list which is in computer compatible form and under the custody and control of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Gulf County, it is therefore,

RESOLVED, that the Rules of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit for procedure in all courts of Gulf County in which jury trials are held shall be amended to include this additional Rule adopting the following alternative plan for the selection of persons for grand jury or petit jury service:

1. EQUIPMENT:

(a) The equipment used in jury selection is an IBM AS/400 9404-D10 computer located in the secured computer room of the Clerk of Circuit Court of Gulf County.

2. ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF SELECTING VENIRE:

(a) The source from which names shall be taken is the voter registration list of all precincts in Gulf County, provided and certified by the Supervisor of Elections of Gulf County. In every year hereafter, by the first week of January or as soon thereafter as practicable, the Supervisor of Elections will deliver

and certify to the Clerk of Circuit Court a d computerized listing of the current voter registration list of all registered voters in Gulf County. The Clerk of Circuit Court will protect the listing and tapes from further writing and deep it securely stored.

(b) The Clerk of Circuit Court of Gulf County is designated the official custodian of the computer records of the lists to be used in jury selection and shall ensure they are not accessible to anyone other than those directly involved in selection of venires, as herein provided. Functions of the Clerk of Circuit Court may be performed by his deputies.

(c) The entire list of registered voters may comprise the certified master jury list from which venires will be selected according to the provisions of Section 2(d). Alternatively, the Chief Judge or his designated representative, with the aid and assistance of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, may select the certified master jury list for the year by lot and at random from the entire list of registered voters using the method described in Attachment A.

(d) The Clerk of Circuit Court shall cause jury venires to be selected from the final certified jury list programmed into the Gulf County computer using the method described in Attachment A in accordance with directions received from the Chief Judge or his designated representative.

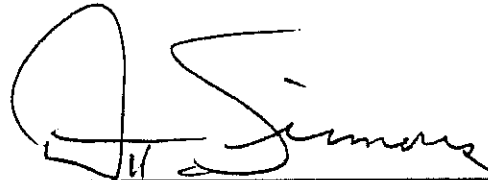
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C E R T I F I C A T E

I hereby certify that the majority of the judges authorized to conduct jury trial in Gulf County, Florida, have consented to the use of the electronic system, which is described in an attachment hereto, and requests approval for the use of such system in Gulf County, Florida, by the Supreme Court of Florida, as required by Chapter 40.225, Florida Statutes.

DATED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 1992.



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Don. T. Sirmons, Chief Judge  
FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

## ATTACHMENT A

The Method used to randomly select jurors from the registered list of voters is programmed by Automated Business Software, Inc. as follows:

STEP 1. User enters a random 6-digit seed value to be used in the random number generator. This value can be derived by 6 single digit values or 1 5 digit integer.

STEP 2. All exempt voters are removed from the selection file. Only eligible voters are considered for selection.

STEP 3. Random integers are generated in order randomly access the data base from Step 2 until all prospective jurors are selected. Each member of the data base will have an equal chance of selection.