

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT IN AND FOR
SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.:
87-22-Ci-S

IN RE: **APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL MASTERS IN UNCONTESTED DISSOLUTION
OF MARRIAGE CASES (Seminole County)**

WHEREAS, Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.490(b) specifically provides for the appointment of a person other than a member of the Florida Bar as Special Master upon a showing that the appointment is advisable, and

WHEREAS, the Resident Circuit Court Judges of Seminole County, Florida, have determined that the use of Special Masters in certain uncontested dissolution of marriage proceedings is desirable in order to help alleviate the congestion in the Civil Division of the Circuit Court of Seminole County, and to better enable the judges to comply with the time standards established by the Florida Supreme Court. It is, therefore,

ORDERED as follows:

1. That upon filing of a "Motion for Referral to Special Master" in uncontested dissolution of marriage cases the assigned judge, or any other judge acting in his behalf, may designate a licensed Court Reporter practicing within the State of Florida as Special Master.
2. That said Special Master shall take and transcribe the testimony and shall timely submit the transcript to the assigned judge, together with "Findings of Fact And Recommendations" signed by the Special Master.
3. That the procedure set forth herein shall be at the option of the attorney representing the petitioner and shall be subject to the discretionary acceptance of the judge assigned to the case.
4. That the Special Master shall be compensated by the attorney for the petitioner at a rate agreed to by the Special Master and said attorney.

ORDERED at Rockledge, Brevard County, Florida, this 30th day of July, 1987.

CLARENCE T. JOHNSON, JR.
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Chief Judge

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