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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.: 07-12-S
SUPERSEDES 04-17-S

IN RE: CRIMINAL - WORK RELEASE PROGRAM SEMINOLE COUNTY

The Seminole County Sheriff has requested the court to allow selected inmates to be placed into the Work Release Program without further judicial intervention after sentence has been imposed or upon meeting presentencing qualifications. After due consideration of the request,

IT IS ADJUDGED:

- 1. Offenders who meet the criteria below may be placed in the Work Release Program and the limits of their confinement is extended for that purpose without further order of court.
- 2. No offender may qualify for Work Release if the sentencing judge so indicates on the sentencing order or upon the presentencing consideration request.
- 3. Criteria for Work Release Program:

A. Offense Criteria:

Offenders who are in custody for misdemeanors, traffic offenses, and second and third degree felonies will be considered eligible for participation in the Work Release Program. However, offenders who are in custody for violent offenses (with the exception of battery in domestic cases and the victim agrees to the release), involve the abuse of children or involve the use of a deadly weapon, will not be eligible for the Work

Release Program. Specifically, the following crimes will not be accepted into the Program:

- 1. Homicide
- 2. Robbery
- 3. Sexual Battery
- 4. Child abuse/neglect
- 5. Lewd act in the presence of a child
- 6. Trafficking in controlled substances
- 7. Offenses involving the use of a deadly weapon
- 8. Arson

B. Prior Record:

The offender must not have been convicted of a felony involving violence, the use of a weapon, or the abuse of children within the past seven years prior to the date of the offense for which the offender has been sentenced.

C. Health Criteria:

- 1. Physical Condition: Offenders with serious medical conditions requiring frequent care will not be eligible for the Work Release Program.
- 2. Offenders who are acutely psychotic, severely mentally retarded, current suicidal or otherwise unable to cope with the structured programs in Work Release, or unable to understand and comply with the program conditions, will not be eligible for Work Release.

D. Other Criteria:

No offender with a "hold" from any other jurisdiction is eligible for Work Release. Offenders serving a sentence or that are presentenced on other charges that do not meet the requirements of this order are not eligible for Work Release.

E. Exceptional Cases:

The judge having jurisdiction over the case may allow offenders who do not meet the strict criteria of this order into the Work Release Program upon request of the Sheriff or an authorized representative of the Work Release Program.

4. Revocations:

Offenders who fail to comply with the conditions of the

Work Release Program are subject to being returned to the jail for service of the balance of the sentence originally imposed. The court will issue a capias to return the defendant to jail if the offender cannot be located.

DONE AND ORDERED this 21st day of March, 2007.

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CHIEF JUDGE

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