

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

IN RE: ASSIGNMENT OF CIVIL AND CRIMINAL CASES

4:95mc40111

ORDER AMENDING CASE ASSIGNMENTS

In order to promote an equitable assignment of cases among the judges of this district, it is hereby ORDERED that the Clerk implement the following assignment process.

DISTRICT-WIDE

All 2255 motions filed in criminal cases shall be opened by the Clerk as civil cases under code 510 and assigned to the district judge to whom the criminal case is currently assigned.

Death penalty cases shall be assigned only to the active judges of this court on a random basis, but otherwise as set out in the Administrative Order dated December 30, 1999, *Guidelines for Filing and Assignment of Habeas Corpus Death Penalty Cases*.

GAINESVILLE DIVISION

Criminal cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

60% to Judge Mark E. Walker
40% to Senior Judge Maurice M. Paul

Prisoner (530, 540, 550, 555); social security (861, 862, 863, 864, 865); contract (152, 153); forfeiture/penalty (610, 620, 625, 630, 640, 650, 660, 690); alien deportation (463); and bankruptcy (422, 423) civil cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

80% to Senior Judge Maurice M. Paul
20% to Senior Judge William Stafford

All other civil cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

80% to Judge Mark E. Walker
15% to Judge Richard Smoak
5% to Senior Judge Maurice M. Paul

Miscellaneous cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

100% to Judge Mark E. Walker

PANAMA CITY DIVISION

Criminal cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

100% to Judge Richard Smoak

Prisoner (530, 540, 550, 555); social security (861, 862, 863, 864, 865); contract (152, 153); forfeiture/penalty (610, 620, 625, 630, 640, 650, 660, 690); alien deportation (463); and bankruptcy (422, 423) civil cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

60% to Judge Richard Smoak

20% to Senior Judge William Stafford

20% to Senior Judge Roger Vinson

All other civil cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

100% to Judge Richard Smoak

Miscellaneous cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

100% to Judge Richard Smoak

PENSACOLA DIVISION

Criminal cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

50% to Judge M. Casey Rodgers

25% to Senior Judge Roger Vinson

25% to Senior Judge Lacey A. Collier, not to exceed 3 cases per month

Prisoner (530, 540, 550, 555); social security (861, 862, 863, 864, 865); contract (152, 153); forfeiture/penalty (610, 620, 625, 630, 640, 650, 660, 690); alien deportation (463); and bankruptcy (422, 423) civil cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

56% to Judge M. Casey Rodgers

44% to Senior Judge Lacey A. Collier

All other civil cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

70% to Judge M. Casey Rodgers

10% to Judge Richard Smoak

20% to Senior Judge Roger Vinson

Miscellaneous cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

100% to Judge M. Casey Rodgers

TALLAHASSEE DIVISION

Criminal cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

55% to Judge Robert L. Hinkle

45% to Judge Mark E. Walker

Prisoner (530, 540, 550, 555); social security (861, 862, 863, 864, 865); contract (152, 153); forfeiture/penalty (610, 620, 625, 630, 640, 650, 660, 690); alien deportation (463); and bankruptcy (422, 423) civil cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

45% to Judge Robert L. Hinkle

40% to Judge Mark E. Walker

15% to Senior Judge William Stafford

All other civil cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

60% to Judge Robert L. Hinkle

30% to Judge Mark E. Walker

10% to Senior Judge William Stafford

Miscellaneous cases shall be assigned on a random basis:

100% to Judge Robert L. Hinkle

This order is entered with the concurrence of all District Judges for the Northern District of Florida.

DONE AND ORDERED this 28th day of February 2014, at Pensacola, Florida.



M. Casey Rodgers
Chief United States District Judge