

Supreme Court of Florida

No. AOSC03-9

IN RE: ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION AND FILING OF
DOCUMENTS UNDER FLORIDA RULE OF JUDICIAL
ADMINISTRATION 2.090 FOR SARASOTA COUNTY

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, on July 18, 2000, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Sarasota County, Florida, submitted an Electronic Transmission and Filing of Documents Plan, requesting permission to accept documents by electronic mail; and

WHEREAS, by the procedures outlined in the above plan, the documents received by electronic mail were to be printed, docketed and placed in the paper case file, thereby serving as the followup filing; and

WHEREAS, based on this procedure, Sarasota County requested permission from the Supreme Court to grant an exception to Rule 2.090 which requires a followup filing for a 90 day period; and

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2000, the Supreme Court approved the Sarasota Electronic Transmission and Filing of Documents Plan, as provided with the requested exception to Rule 2.090; and

WHEREAS, on October 25, 2002, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Sarasota County, Florida, submitted an “amended” Electronic Transmission and Filing of Documents Plan for Sarasota County, to implement an Internet Commerce Server to accept filings electronically and print out paper copies for the case file, thereby eliminating the “followup filing” for the 90 day period; and

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2002, the Electronic Filing Committee met to discuss their review of the amended Sarasota County Plan, and gave their unanimous approval to the Sarasota County Plan, as amended, and recommended waiving the requirement in Rule 2.090 for a followup filing for the 90 day period; and

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2003, the Supreme Court approved the “amended” Electronic Transmission and Filing of Documents Plan submitted by Sarasota County, Florida; therefore

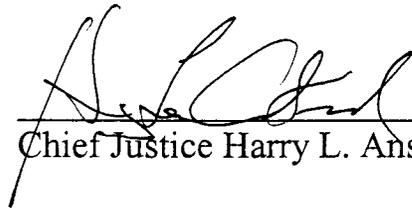
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- a. The Sarasota County Clerk of Court may implement the Internet commerce server to accept filings electronically, printing out the

paper copies for the case file in accordance with the approved plan effective on the date of this order;

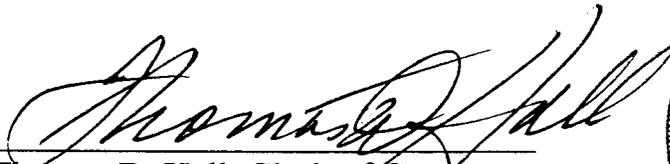
- b. After a 90 day evaluation period, the Clerk of Court in Sarasota County, the Chief Judge of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit, and the Court Technology Officer, shall certify that the system is functioning in an efficient, reliable and appropriate manner and meets the demands of all parties;
- c. A report attesting to the reliability of the system shall be sent to the Clerk of the Supreme Court, the Chairman of the Electronic Filing Committee, and to the Information Systems Services Division of the Office of the State Courts Administrator;
- d. Upon review of said report, the Information Systems Services staff will prepare a certification document indicating that the system has satisfied and met all the requirements, and will forward said certification to the Supreme Court for final review and approval.
- e. Although Rule 2.090 has been waived with regard to the followup filings, the Clerk of Court may not discontinue the printing of paper file copies until such time that the Supreme Court has entered an order authorizing the Clerk to do so.

DONE AND ORDERED, at Tallahassee, Florida, on this 18th day of
February, 2003.



Chief Justice Harry L. Anstead

ATTEST:



Thomas D. Hall, Clerk of Court

