

IN THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA
COLLIER COUNTY

IN RE: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUBDIVISION OF
 COLLIER COUNTY MISDEMEANOR COURT

Administrative Order
 No. 6.8
 - Amended -

WHEREAS, the establishment of domestic violence divisions within the Twentieth Judicial Circuit was approved by the Supreme Court of the State of Florida on October 26, 1994, under Local Rule IX; and

WHEREAS, a Domestic Violence Court for Collier County was initially established by administrative order entered October 31, 1996, but has since ceased to operate; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Supreme Court has recognized the extreme importance of having domestic violence issues addressed in an expeditious, efficient, and deliberative manner, In re Report of the Commission on Family Courts, 646 So. 2d 178 (Fla. 1994);

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to this Court's inherent authority to administer and regulate the courts of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit, as well as the authority prescribed by Fla. R. Jud. Admin. 2.215 and Florida Statute §43.26, the Court hereby reestablishes the Domestic Violence subdivision of the county misdemeanor court for Collier County, Florida.¹

It is ORDERED that county court cases in Collier County involving charges of assault under Fla. Stat. §784.011(2) or battery under Fla. Stat. §784.03(1)(b) that are based on allegations of domestic violence as identified on either the booking sheet or in the information filed by the State Attorney, and county court cases involving charges of violation of an injunction for protection against domestic violence under Fla. Stat. §741.31, violation of pretrial release under Fla. Stat. §741.29(6), violation of any of the prohibitions regarding the possession of firearms and ammunition under Fla. Stat. §790.233, and violation of an injunction for

¹ Effective October 1, 2009, as per original Administrative Order 6.8 entered October 1, 2009.

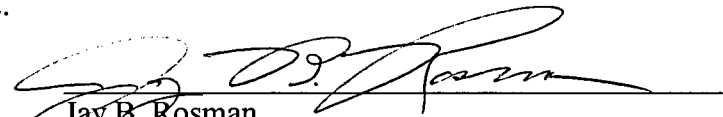
protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, dating violence, or a foreign protection order under Fla. Stat. §784.047, shall be assigned to the Misdemeanor Domestic Violence Subdivision.²

The previous Order Establishing Domestic Violence Court for Collier County entered October 31, 1996, was vacated by original Administrative Order 6.8 entered October 1, 2009.

Effective May 1, 2010, the County Administrative Judge for Collier County shall make all judicial assignments to the Misdemeanor Domestic Violence Subdivision, and any judicial assignment orders regarding this subdivision entered prior to May 1, 2010 shall thereafter be deemed vacated.

To the extent that this order may conflict with any rule, statute or law, the rule, statute or law shall prevail.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers in Fort Myers, Lee County, Florida this 12 day of Sept, 2012.


Jay B. Rosman
Chief Judge

History.- Order Establishing Domestic Violence Court for Collier County (October 31, 1996); Administrative Order 6.8 (October 1, 2009); Administrative Order 6.8 (April 21, 2010); Administrative Order 6.8 (December 3, 2010).

cc: Collier Clerk of Courts, Misdemeanor Division
CCSO Jail
State Attorney
Public Defender

² Administrative Order 6.8 is herein amended for the substantive purpose of clarifying that violations of any of the prohibitions regarding the possession of firearms and ammunition under Fla. Stat. §790.233, and violations of an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, dating violence, or a foreign protection order under Fla. Stat. §784.047, shall also be assigned to the Collier Misdemeanor Domestic Violence Subdivision.