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TO: FB Division
State Attorney's Office
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FROM: Thomas J. Coleman, Circuit Court Judge

DATE: 4/2/2020

RE: Change of Plea Docket

Good Morning,

Per Administrative Judge Siegel, he would like to create a "Change of Plea" Docket for Thursday April 9, 2020. This docket would be run by one Judge and would cover all felony divisions. As such, there would be certain requirements to be on this docket.

The most important would be that the plea **MUST** be negotiated. He will not entertain any open plea nor can any part of the plea be open for the Court to interpret. As of now, this docket will include VOP cases as well as pending cases and there is no restriction as to charge. This may change as the size of the docket grows.

If you have a negotiated plea please get the information to Tye as soon as possible. (Judge Siegel wants it by Friday; I found out yesterday and have asked for more time already). When you submit it to Tye (divfb@17th.flcourts.org), please include **ALL** case numbers and **ALL** Terms of the plea for all charges. Do not forget the misdemeanor or traffic charges and include all special conditions as well as amount of time served. Failure to include all of this will delay and /or prevent the ability to place the case on the docket. If you have any questions please call Tye before 1PM, as we are trying to respect the Shelter in Place order.

Thank You for your attention to this matter,

Tom Coleman