## SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 02-21

## Modifies Administrative Order 02-08

WHEREAS, the Court is modifying the processing of certain misdemeanor and traffic cases in order to permit their early resolution; and

WHEREAS, as part of that modification, it will be necessary to modify the manner in which Criminal Justice Act Attorneys are appointed in those cases to make use of Duty Attorneys;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** it is, by the Court,

ORDERED that a panel of Duty Attorneys be and is hereby created, who will be responsible for advising and representing all defendants who have not already retained counsel at the initial court hearing in District of Columbia, Traffic, and Community Court cases. The Duty Attorney will be responsible for providing the defendant with legal advice concerning, but not limited to, acceptance or rejection of a diversion offer, a post and forfeit option, a plea offer, or whether the case should be scheduled for trial. In those instances where the Duty Attorney cannot resolve the case, a different attorney will be appointed from the District of Columbia and Traffic Panel to represent the defendant at subsequent appearances. Duty Attorneys will be compensated at the usual CJA statutory rate. Duty Attorneys will not be eligible to be appointed to cases during their duty week,

unless panel attorneys are not available, but they will remain eligible for appointments at all other times; and it is further

ORDERED, that pursuant to the recommendation of the Advisory

Committee for the Selection of Duty Attorneys for District of Columbia and

Traffic cases, the following are appointed to serve as Duty Attorneys until further order of the Court:

Robert Athanas, Esq.
Bryan Brown, Esq.
Veta Carney, Esq.
Odum Eyiba, Esq.
Raymond Jacobson, Esq.
Webster Knight, Esq.
John McDaniel, Esq.
Rufus McKinney, Esq.
Charles O'Banion, Esq.
Chiemeka Opaigbeogu, Esq.
Gwenette Worthington Sales, Esq.
Wanda Williams, Esq.
Stephen Jackson, Esq., alternate
John Duru, Esq., alternate

Alternates may fill in for panel members when they are not available, but may not otherwise be appointed as Duty Attorneys.

## SO ORDERED.

BY THE COURT	<u>/S/</u>
July 18, 2002	Chief Judge Rufus King, III

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