SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 04-24

(Structural Realignment of Court Social Services) (Amended)

WHEREAS, Pursuant to D. C. Code &24-133 (2003 Ed.), all adult offender supervision functions have been transferred to the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, an independent federal agency,

WHEREAS, the Social Services Division of the Superior Court now exclusively serves the Family Court, providing juvenile intake, diagnostic assessments, psychological and psychiatric assessments, counseling for families of juveniles, social background investigations, disposition reports, community supervision in juvenile and PINS cases, juvenile drug court services and home studies in Domestic Relations cases; and

WHEREAS, the Family Court Act of 2001 reformed Family Court case management and processing systems to consolidate all family related functions in the Family Court;

WHEREAS, the Court Social Services function will be better supported and more effectively managed as part of the Family Court, with the result of better serving youthful offenders and their families;

NOW THEREFORE, it is by the Court,

ORDERED, that henceforth the work performed by the Social Services Division shall be carried out under the auspices of the Family Court; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Court Social Services Division be and is hereby merged into the Family Court, and henceforth the Family Court shall consist of two separate Divisions, namely Family Court Operations and the Social Services Division, each managed by separate Directors but within the Family Court; and it is further

ORDERED, that each of the Directors will report to the Clerk of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

SO ORDERED.

BY THE COURT

November 17, 2004

Rufus G. King, III, Chief Judge

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