

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 01-01

Whereas, the Chief of the Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia has in his Letter of December 7, 2000, advised the Chief Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, as follows:

1. For the period from Friday January 19, 2001 through Monday January 22, 2001 large numbers of people will be in the District of Columbia to participate in activities relating to the Inauguration of the President of the United States and the annual Right to Life March.
2. For this period, the entire Metropolitan Police Department, including the Civil Disturbance Unit and the Prisoner Control Unit, has been mobilized.
3. The Department anticipates that the demonstrations surrounding this event may result in large numbers of demonstrators being arrested.

Whereas, the Chief of Police has requested that:

1. Members of the Metropolitan Police Department be granted authority to release persons charged with misdemeanor offenses while the Superior Court is in session during demonstrations in the above period.
2. Persons charged with minor misdemeanor offenses related to the demonstration not be required to be processed through the Central Cellblock, provided that such persons can be reasonably identified with proper identification.

Now therefore, pursuant to D.C. Code § 23-1110, during the period from **12:01 A.M., Friday, January 19, 2001 to 11:59 P.M., Monday, January 22, 2001**, persons arrested for misdemeanors triable in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia may be released on citation or, where applicable, upon posting of collateral in amounts established by the Board of Judges of the Superior Court.

Any person released on citation must provide satisfactory identification.

Persons arrested for offenses as to which collateral may be posted and forfeited who elect to post and forfeit or to post collateral and demand a trial date need not be

identified. Such persons will be requested to identify themselves, but they will be released whether or not they comply with such request. **The person effecting release under this Order on collateral or citation must have reason to believe that the released person will not cause injury to persons or damage to property and also that he or she will appear in the Superior Court as required.**

In addition, persons who are arrested during the above period and charged with misdemeanors triable in the Superior Court may be processed by the Metropolitan Police Department at locations other than the Metropolitan Police Department Central Cellblock, provided they present satisfactory identification when required.

Any person, released on citation, shall be given an arraignment date in Courtroom C-10, Superior Court, Moultrie Courthouse and sign the usual citation release documents.

Any person arrested during the above period who is not released in accordance with this Order, shall be promptly presented in accordance with applicable laws of the United States and the District of Columbia and Rules of the Superior Court for arraignment and ascertainment of pretrial conditions.

SO ORDERED.

BY THE COURT
January 16, 2001

/S/ RUFUS G. KING, III
Rufus G. King, III
Chief Judge