

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 14-13**

Issuance of Probate Division Case Management Plan

WHEREAS, the 2013-2017 Strategic Plan of the District of Columbia Courts, *Open to All, Trusted by All, Justice for All*, seeks to promote timely case resolution by implementing performance standards, case management plans, and other best practices; and

WHEREAS, performance standards for all Superior Court operating divisions were adopted in 2009 and revised in 2012; and

WHEREAS, a case management plan serves as a management tool to promote achievement of performance standards; and

WHEREAS, a case management plan details the actions that a court takes to monitor and control the progress of a case, from initiation through final disposition, to ensure prompt resolution consistent with the individual circumstances of the case; and

WHEREAS, an effective case management plan helps to ensure that every litigant receives procedural due process and equal protection; and

WHEREAS, the Probate Division has developed a case management plan to provide the public with information about the procedures used to promote efficient and effective case processing for all Probate Division cases, promote the timely disposition of cases, protect the interests of the wards of the Court and of beneficiaries in supervised estates, establish consistent expectations for participants in the court process, and hold internal and external consumers accountable;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is by this Court,

ORDERED, that the case management plan for the Probate Division, which is attached hereto, shall be and hereby is made available to the public and shall be posted on the court's website within 14 days of the date of this order; and it is further

ORDERED, that the attached case management plan shall take effect on August 25, 2014, and shall remain in effect until further order of the Court.

SO ORDERED.

BY THE COURT

Date: August 5, 2014

/s/
Lee F. Satterfield
Chief Judge

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