

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 13-02**

**Revised Procedures for Adjudicating Petitions for Writs of *Habeas Corpus Ad Subjiciendum***

**WHEREAS**, Administrative Order 12-19, issued on December 11, 2012, set forth procedures for adjudicating petitions for writs of *habeas corpus ad subjiciendum* and superseded Administrative Order 00-09; and

**WHEREAS**, Administrative Order 13-01, issued on February 1, 2013, vacated Administrative Order 12-19 and specified that Administrative Order 12-19 did not supersede Administrative Order 00-09; and

**WHEREAS**, Administrative Order 12-19 did not take effect; and

**WHEREAS**, to expedite the adjudication of petitions for writs of *habeas corpus ad subjiciendum* and to guarantee Constitutional protection;

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

**ORDERED**, that **effective February 25, 2013**, all petitions for writs of *habeas corpus ad subjiciendum* filed by petitioners who were sentenced by a Judge of the Superior Court shall be assigned for adjudication to (1) that sentencing Judge; or (2) that sentencing Judge's successor if the sentencing Judge is deceased, retired, or if the sentencing Judge is currently serving as a Senior Judge; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that all petitions for writs of *habeas corpus ad subjiciendum* filed by petitioners who were not sentenced by a Judge of the Superior Court shall be assigned to the Presiding Judge of the Criminal Division who shall either adjudicate the writ or assign the writ to another Criminal Division Judge for adjudication as appropriate; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that all petitions for writs of *habeas corpus ad subjiciendum* relating to child custody cases shall be submitted to the Presiding Judge of the Family Court who shall either adjudicate the writ or assign the writ to another Family Court Judge for adjudication as appropriate; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that all petitions for writs of *habeas corpus ad subjiciendum* filed by petitioners who were adjudicated Not Guilty By Reason of Insanity shall be assigned to the mental competency calendar for adjudication; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that when a writ of *habeas corpus ad subjiciendum* is filed, the Special Proceedings Branch of the Superior Court shall run a search on the name of each petitioner to identify any related Superior Court cases and provide any related Superior Court case information to the Presiding Judge of the Criminal Division or the Presiding Judge of the Family Court as appropriate; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that this Administrative Order hereby supersedes Administrative Order No. 00-09.

**SO ORDERED.**

**BY THE COURT**

**February 11, 2013**

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**Lee F. Satterfield**  
**Chief Judge**

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