In the
Indiana Supreme Court

IN THE MATTER OF THE	)	
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APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULES	)	Case No. 31S00-0712-MS-577
	)	
FOR HARRISON COUNTY	)	

ORDER APPROVING AMENDED LOCAL RULE

The Judges of the Harrison Circuit and Superior Courts request the approval of an amended local rule for caseload allocation in accordance with Ind. Administrative Rule 1(E). Attached to this Order is the proposed amended local rule.

Upon examination of the proposed rule amendment requested by the Harrison Circuit and Superior Courts, this Court finds that the proposed rule amendment, LR31-AR-1(E)-28 complies with the requirements of Ind. Administrative Rule 1(E), and, accordingly, should be approved and posted in the county clerk's office(s) and on the county clerk's website, if any, and on the Indiana Judicial Website prior to taking effect on January 1, 2008.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that amended Local Rule LR31-AR-1(E)-28 for Harrison County Courts, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is approved effective January 1, 2008. The Clerk of this Court is directed to post a copy of the amended rule on the Indiana Judicial Website prior to January 1, 2008. The Clerk of this Court is further directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Hon. H. Lloyd Whitis, Harrison Circuit Court, P.O. Box 428, Corydon, IN 47112-0428; the Hon. Roger D. Davis, Harrison Superior Court, 1445 Gardner Lane, N.W., #3018, Corydon, IN 47112-2070; and to the Clerk of the Harrison Circuit Court.

The Clerk of the Harrison Circuit Court is directed to enter this Order and attachment in the Record of Judgments and Orders for the Courts, to post this Order and attachment for examination by the Bar and the general public, and if available, to publish this Order and attachment on the county clerk's website prior to January 1, 2008.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 7th day of December, 2007.

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Randall T. Shepard
Chief Justice of Indiana

LR31-AR-1 (E)- 28 CASELOAD ALLOCATION PLAN

The Harrison County Caseload Allocation Plan is as follows:

A. Cases filed in Harrison Circuit Court shall be:

(1) All juvenile delinquent, juvenile status, juvenile paternity and miscellaneous juvenile cases;
(2) All child in need of services (CHINS) cases;
(3) All juvenile termination of parental rights cases;
(4) Domestic relations cases, except every sixth case filed;
(5) All civil miscellaneous cases;
(6) All uniform reciprocal support cases;
(7) All Petitions for an Order for Protection (Protective Orders)
(8) All mental health issues;
(9) All adoptions;
(10) All probate matters, including estates;
(11) All guardianships;
(12) All trusts;
(13) All mortgage foreclosure cases; and
(14) Civil plenary, civil collection and civil tort cases wherein the amount in controversy is in excess of the jurisdictional limit of the small claims court.

B. Cases filed in Harrison Superior Court shall be:

(1) All criminal (murder, felony, misdemeanor and miscellaneous criminal cases);
(2) All infraction and ordinance violations;
(3) All small claims;
(4) Civil collection, civil tort and civil plenary cases where the total amount of damages or property involved does not exceed the small claims jurisdictional amount;
(5) Every sixth domestic relations case filed.

C. All revocation of probation and post conviction relief cases shall be filed in the court where the original case is or was last pending.

D. The Judge of either the Harrison Circuit Court or the Harrison Superior Court may allow the filing of any cases in such court on a case-by-case basis unless another local rule, rule of the Indiana Supreme Court or a statute prohibits the filing of such cases in the court.

E. Cases already filed in either court shall remain in that court and this case allocation plan shall apply to new cases filed on and after the effective date of this caseload allocation plan.