

THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 1.35

**UNION COUNTY JURY SERVICE FEE DONATION**

**WHEREAS**, section 40.24(8), Florida Statutes, authorizes judicial circuits to elect to allow jurors to donate their jury service fee upon conclusion of jury service to an organization specified by the Guardian ad Litem Program or to a domestic violence shelter; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a desire to make this option available to the jurors of Union County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Union County Clerk of the Court has agreed to such specified donations;

**NOW THEREFORE**, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Chief Judge by Article V, section 2, of the Florida Constitution; section 40.001, Florida Statutes; and, Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215;

**IT IS ORDERED** that:

1. Jurors in Union County may irrevocably donate all of their compensation upon conclusion of their juror service to the Eighth Judicial Circuit Guardian ad Litem Program or to a domestic violence shelter specified annually on a rotating basis by the Union County Clerk of the Court.

2. The Union County Clerk of the Court is authorized to give written notice to jurors that at the conclusion of their service they have the option to donate their compensation, and that all donated funds will be received by the Guardian ad Litem Program or the domestic violence shelter.

3. All donated funds will be transmitted to the Eighth Judicial Circuit Guardian ad Litem Program or to a domestic violence shelter on a periodic basis, not more than quarterly.

4. At the close of each fiscal year, the Eighth Judicial Circuit Guardian ad Litem program, or the domestic violence shelter, and the Clerk's Office shall provide an accounting of the donated juror compensation funds to the Chief Judge.

5. The Eighth Judicial Circuit Guardian ad Litem Program must expend such monies only on services for children for whom guardians ad litem have been appointed.

**ORDERED ON** this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018.



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Toby S. Monaco, Chief Judge