IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PASCO AND PINELLAS COUNTIES, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2010-033 PI-CIR

RE: ACCEPTING OF CREDIT CARDS TO POST BONDS

In order to promote the prompt and efficient administration of justice in all courts in Pinellas County, and

In order to make government services more convenient to the public under section 215.322, Florida Statutes, and

In accordance with Article V, section 2, Florida Constitution, Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, and section 43.26, Florida Statutes,

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. The Clerk of the Circuit Court and the Pinellas County Sheriff, as designated by the Clerk under section 903.105(2), Florida Statutes, are authorized to accept credit card and debit card payments for criminal cash bail bonds in amounts up to and including \$750.00.
- 2. The Clerk of the Circuit Court and the Sheriff are authorized to impose a surcharge for such payments in accordance with Florida Statutes.
- 3. All fees and surcharges associated with payment by credit card or debit card shall be borne by the person to whom the credit card or debit card is issued.
- 4. The Clerk of the Circuit Court and the Sheriff shall process such payments as cash bonds.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Clearwater, Pinellas County, Florida, this 6th day of July 2010.

ORIGINAL SIGNED July 6, 2010 BY J. THOMAS MCGRADY, CHIEF JUDGE

cc: All Pinellas Judges

The Honorable Bernie McCabe, State Attorney

The Honorable Bob Dillinger, Public Defender

The Honorable Ken Burke, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Pinellas County

The Honorable Jim Coats, Sheriff, Pinellas County

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Suzanne M. Mucklow, Executive Director, Pinellas County Clerk's Office

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