# IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA

### ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 10- 005

#### ORDER APPROVING TIMESHARING GUIDELINES – FAMILY LAW FORMS

Whereas, Rule 12.750(b)(5) Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, authorizes the Chief Judge of the Circuit to approve additional forms that are not inconsistent with forms approved by the Florida Supreme Court and published in the Family Law Rules of Procedure; and

Whereas, the undersigned Chief Judge and Family Law Administrative Judge recognize the need to replace outdated forms; and

Whereas, to facilitate the changes recently enacted in Florida Statutes Ch. 61, the Third Judicial Circuit has elected to adopt the attached Timesharing Guideline. It is, therefore,

#### **ORDERED:**

- 1. Effective immediately the Timesharing Guideline dated February 25, 2010, as attached, is approved for use in the Third Judicial Circuit and shall be made available to litigants by all self-help programs, Clerks of Circuit Court and the Family Court Support Unit. The Timesharing Guideline replaces all versions of the Third Circuit Visitation Schedule.
- 2. Pursuant to Administrative Order 2002-007A, all forms presently used throughout the Circuit which are not either Supreme Court approved forms or forms approved by the Chief Judge of the Third Circuit shall be discarded and not used in pro se family law cases.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Live Oak, Suwannee County, Florida, this 2 day of March, 2010.

DAVID W. FINA, CHIEF JUDGE

cc:

Judges, Third Judicial Circuit Clerks of Court, Third Judicial Circuit Family Court Support Unit John Lake, Court Technology Officer (for web posting)

## Timesharing Guideline

These timesharing guidelines are intended to be a PART of a parenting plan as required in Ch 61.13(2)(b) and are NOT sufficient to be a standalone parenting plan.

If this timesharing schedule is being used, please mark # 7 in section VII of the Parenting Plan (Form 12.995(a)) that refers to an attached schedule. Leave the remainder of section VII blank. The remainder of the parenting plan **must** be completed.

- 1. The MOTHER / FATHER (circle one) shall have timesharing:
  - a. Every other weekend from Friday after school until returning the child(ren) to school on Monday. If the Friday before the weekend is a non-school day, then the timesharing will begin Thursday after school. Likewise, if the Monday following the timesharing period is a non-school day, then the parent will return the child(ren) to school on Tuesday.
  - b. Each Wednesday from after school until 8:00 p.m.
  - c. Thanksgiving weekend, from Wednesday after school until school on Monday, shall be alternated. Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, the Father shall have the even years and the Mother shall have the odd years.
  - d. Christmas vacation split and alternated each year the first section shall run from the time the child(ren) get out of school for Christmas break until Christmas Day at 2:00 p.m.; the second section shall run from Christmas Day at 2:00 p.m. until the child(ren) return to school. In the event the parents reside more than 100 miles apart, the exchange date shall be on the 26<sup>th</sup> at noon. Unless otherwise agreed by the parents, the Father shall exercise the first section of the Christmas vacation in odd years and the Mother shall have the first section of the break during the even years.
  - e. One-half of Spring Break; split on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. The first one-half of Spring Break shall go to the parent whose regularly scheduled weekend falls on the beginning of the break and the second one-half shall go to the parent whose weekend falls on the end of the break.
  - f. Mother's Day or Father's Day The Mother shall have timesharing on Mother's Day from 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. and the Father shall have timesharing on Father's Day from 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. This schedule shall be followed even if the holiday is not that parent's normally scheduled timesharing period.
  - g. One half of all other breaks from school including summer breaks and year-round school breaks. Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, the parent with whom the child(ren) spends the least amount of time shall have the first half of the break in even years and the second half of the break during the odd years. For breaks longer than three weeks, the parent with whom the child(ren) spends the greater amount of time with shall have the timesharing set forth in paragraphs a and b above.

Changes and additional timesharing may take place as mutually agreed by the parties in writing or as ordered by the Court.