

**IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA**

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO:
2004-13**

IN RE: ELECTRONIC RELEASE OF ELECTION-RELATED CASES

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of Florida in Administrative Order AOSC04-4 placed a limited moratorium on the release of court records in electronic form;

WHEREAS, AOSC04-4 allows the Chief Judge to authorize the release of court records in electronic form if they are of "...significant public interest...",

WHEREAS, this exception requires the Clerk of the Court to manually inspect the court record to ensure that no confidential or exempt information is released; and

WHEREAS, all election-related cases have historically been of significant public interest; it is therefore

ORDERED that election-related cases from the 2004 general election are of significant public interest. The Clerk of the Court may release these court records in electronic form. The Clerk of the Court shall inspect the court record to be published and redact confidential or exempt information prior to release. The Clerk of Court shall receive verbal approval from the Chief Judge in each case prior to release.

DONE AND ORDERED in the Office of the Chief Judge, this 1st day of November, 2004.



Charles A. Francis
Chief Judge

