

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
GENERAL ORDER 11 - 0004**

It appearing that the full Court met in executive session on February 23, 2011 and approved an amendment to Internal Operating Procedure 13 regarding Reassignments and Transfers. The amendment clarifies circumstances where a criminal case with multiple defendants is reassigned.

The Court's Executive Committee discussed the proposed amendment at its meeting of February 3, 2011. It recommended that the full Court adopt the proposed amendment to Internal Operating Procedure 13.

The full Court considered the recommendation of the Executive Committee at its meeting on February 23, 2011 and approved the amendment to Internal Operating Procedure 13; therefore,

By direction of the full Court, which met in executive session on February 23, 2011,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Internal Operating Procedure 13: Reassignments and Transfers be amended as follows (additions shown thus, deletions shown ~~thus~~):

(i) Reassignment of Criminal Cases with Multiple Defendants. Except as provided by the Executive Committee's order reassigning a criminal case with multiple defendants, the reassignment order shall include all defendants.

(i) (j) Other Reassignments and Transfers. If a case is transferred to the Executive Committee for any reason not otherwise provided for in local rules or the internal operating procedures and the Committee agrees that the case should be reassigned, it shall cause the case to be reassigned by lot. If the name of the transferring judge is drawn, another drawing shall be made. The judge who receives the case may transfer to the Committee a case or cases requiring a like amount of judicial effort to dispose of it or them, with the recommendation that it or they be reassigned to

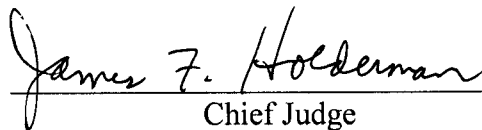
the calendar of the transferring judge.

(j) ~~(k)~~ Order of Reassignment. Where one or more cases are to be reassigned pursuant to LR40.4, LR40.5, or sections (a), (b), (c), (d), (f), or (i) of this IOP, the assigned judge shall complete the appropriate reassignment transfer form. If the assigned judge is no longer sitting, the clerk shall complete the form. The transfer form will be given to the clerk who shall promptly transmit it to the chief judge. The chief judge may on receipt of the form enter an order on behalf of the Executive Committee directing that the case or cases be reassigned or may ask the full Committee to review the requested reassignment at the next meeting.

A case will be deemed reassigned following the docketing of the order of the Executive Committee directing its reassignment.

ENTER:

FOR THE COURT



Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 3rd day of March, 2011.