ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE OF THE COURTS

Pursuant to the authority vested in me and at the direction of the Chief Judge, I hereby promulgate the following judicial security protocols:

Where a judge or justice of the Unified Court System is facing an ongoing security concern relating to such judge's or justice's judicial service, and such judge or justice is about to separate from such service, the Department of Public Safety ("DPS") Judicial Threats Unit shall assess such security concern and, where necessary for the continuing safety of the judge or justice or an immediate family member, ensure that all relevant local, state, and/or federal law enforcement authorities are fully apprised thereof.

The DPS Judicial Threats Unit shall also collaborate where appropriate and necessary with relevant law enforcement authorities prior to such a judge's or justice's separation from service to facilitate ongoing security and protection by such law enforcement authorities.

An "ongoing security concern" shall be a past or present threat to the safety of such judge or justice or an immediate family member, categorized by the DPS Judicial Threats Unit as active and credible, and related to the judge's or justice's judicial service.

No UCS personnel or resources shall be provided for or otherwise assigned to a former judge's or justice's ongoing protection after leaving active service.

Notwithstanding, as local, state, and/or federal law enforcement will be solely responsible for providing any required ongoing protection for a former judge or justice, the DPS Judicial Threats Unit shall continue to consult, as necessary, with such law enforcement authorities concerning any ongoing security concerns related to the former judge's or justice's prior active judicial service.

Nothing in these protocols shall be interpreted to prevent UCS personnel from rendering aid or providing assistance in response to an emergency or other specific exigent threat involving a judge or justice who has left active service.

Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts

Dated: June 8, 2023

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