

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2-17.1

**PROVIDING FOR RECORDING OF LIENS FOR FINES
AND COSTS IN CRIMINAL CASES IN CIRCUIT AND
COUNTY COURT OF POLK COUNTY**

WHEREAS, §922.02, Fla. Stat., provides:

Execution on a sentence imposing a fine may be issued in the same manner as execution on a judgment in a civil action, whether or not the sentence also imposes imprisonment;

WHEREAS on March 28, 1984, the Conference of Judges unanimously approved the concept of recording a lien against the real and personal property of a defendant in order to insure the collection of fines and costs due Polk County, Florida;

and

WHEREAS there have been additions and amendments to the statutory provisions addressing lien types, filing fees and related court costs;

It is therefore:

ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

1. At disposition, pursuant to Florida Statutes, the court may assess fines and costs, and an additional preparation and recording fee if payment is continued to a date certain.
2. Judgment Lien form orders will be completed by the Clerk, signed by the Court and the defendant, and a copy thereof furnished to the defendant. The Court shall explain the effect of the lien to the defendant.
3. The original Judgment Lien will be recorded by the Clerk's Office and retained in the Court file.
4. Recording of the Judgment Lien shall close the case for statistical purposes.

5. Upon payment in full of the recorded Judgment Lien, the Clerk shall satisfy the lien, and may charge an additional fee(s), as allowed by statute, for preparing, indexing, or recording the Satisfaction.

6. This Administrative Order revokes and supersedes Administrative Order No. 2.17.0.

DONE AND ORDERED this 15th day of August, 2008.

J. DAVID LANGFORD, Chief Judge