

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

**IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 4-8.0

**RE: AUTHORITY OF BANKS WHEN PRESENTED WITH LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION OR GUARDIANSHIP**

IT HAVING come to the attention of the Court that area banks are increasingly reluctant to honor Letters of Guardianship or Administration for the purpose of allowing a Guardian or Personal Representative access to the ward or decedent's safety deposit box, it is hereby

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that upon presentation of either Letters of Guardianship or Letters of Administration to a financial institution where the Ward or Decedent has a safety deposit box, the institutional officer is hereby authorized, without further order or direction from this Court, to allow the Guardian or Personal Representative access to said safety deposit box for those purposes allowed by law.

DONE AND ORDERED on this 6th day of October, 1994.

RANDALL G. MCDONALD, Chief Judge