

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR HARDEE, HIGHLANDS, AND POLK COUNTIES, FLORIDA**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 5-4.1

**PROCEDURES REGARDING CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS IN
CASES IN WHICH CHILDREN RECEIVE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

WHEREAS, Section 409.2561 F.S., provides for assignment of court ordered child support obligations to the Department of Revenue, up to the amount of public assistance paid, for as long as public assistance monies are paid; accordingly, it is

ORDERED and DIRECTED that:

1. In all current and future child support cases, the Department of Revenue will be designated as payee upon the filing of an affidavit by an agent of the Department of Revenue with the clerk of court stating that public assistance payments as defined in Chapter 409, Florida Statutes, are being made to, or for the benefit of the child(ren) for whom child support payments are ordered. The clerk of court shall file the affidavit, along with a copy of this order, in the applicable child support case, and shall thereafter forward to the Department of Revenue, or its designated agent, any support payment received by the clerk pursuant to said court order.
2. When the child(ren) is no longer receiving public assistance payments, the Department of Revenue shall notify the clerk of court in writing to remove the Department of Revenue as payee and to redirect payment from the Department of Revenue back to the previous designated payee.
3. Administrative Order No. 5-4.0, entered on April 13, 1977, is revoked and superseded by this order.

DONE AND ORDERED on this 2nd day of June, 2010.

J. DAVID LANGFORD
Chief Judge