

AMENDED LOCAL RULE NUMBER 3

SELECTION OF JURORS BY COMPUTER N HARDEE COUNTY

WHEREAS the present method of selecting jurors can be more efficiently completed without loss to the sanctity of random selection by the use of the electronic computer available to Hardee County, and

WHEREAS the source of such selection is from the Hardee County drivers' license list as provided by the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV), which is in a computer compatible form and under the custody and control of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Hardee County, it is therefore

RESOLVED that the Rules of the Tenth Judicial Circuit for procedure in all courts of Hardee County in which jury trials are held shall be amended to include this additional rule adopting the following alternative plan for the selection of persons for grand jury or petit jury service.

1. EQUIPMENT:

(a) The equipment used in jury selection is a ComDaq ProLiant ML 370. Model P800/133-1 computer located in the secured computer room of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Hardee County.

2. ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF SELECTING VENIRE:

(a) The source form which names shall be taken is the DHSMV list of licensed drivers in Hardee County, a copy of which is provided and certified on a quarterly basis by the DHSMV.

(b) The Clerk of the Circuit Court of Hardee County is designated the official custodian of the copy of the drivers' license list provided specifically for venire selection and shall ensure that it is not accessible to anyone other than those directly involved in the selection of venires, as herein provided. Functions of the clerk of the circuit court may be provided by his or her deputies.

(c) The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall cause Hardee County petit and grand jury venires to be selected from the certified drivers' license list programmed into the Hardee County computer using the method described below in accordance with directions received from the Chief Judge or the designated representative of the Chief Judge.

METHOD OF SELECTION

Prospective jurors are selected from the DHSMV drivers' license file by using randomized software supplied by Dr. G. Marsaglia and B. Naraimhan, Florida State University and programmed by Software Systems Design Incorporated as described in [Attachment A](#).

The steps of selection are:

1. A sequential number is attached to every eligible Hardee County Licensed driver file.
2. Four seed numbers are used to randomly select the sequential numbers of those jurors who will form the needed venire.

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF HARDEE

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that a majority of the judges authorized to conduct jury trials Hardee County, Florida, have consented to the use of the electronic system that is described in Local Rule No. 3, attached hereto, and requests approval for the use of such system in Hardee County, Florida, by the Supreme Court of Florida, as required Chapter 40.225, Florida Statutes.

DATED 13th day of December, 2000.

Charles B. Curry

Chief Judge

Tenth Judicial Circuit

ATTACHMENT A: "[Toward A Universal Random Number Generator](#)" An article by George Marsaglia & Ariz Zaman of Supercomputer Computations Research Institute and the Department of Statistics, Florida State University. Wai Wan Tsang - Department of Computer Science - University of Hong

Kong.

(Note: This article had to be scanned and saved in PDF format as it is very complex and composed of equations, and could not be reproduced.)