

DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST DISTRICT

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0950
Telephone (850) 488-6151

Date: December 12, 2018

Administrative Order 18-4

In re: Agreed Extensions of Time for Briefs

BY ORDER OF THE COURT:

Effective January 2, 2019, Administrative Order 17-2 is hereby withdrawn and is replaced with the following:

As an alternative to an agreed motion for extension of time to file a brief pursuant to Florida Rule of Appellate Procedure 9.300(a), the court will accept a notice from a party that the parties have agreed to a specific extension of time for the filing of a brief within the following parameters.

In criminal appeals, an agreed notice of extension of time will be accepted for up to a total of *30 days* for an *initial or answer brief*. This procedure shall apply to final and non-final criminal appeals, but shall *not apply* to appeals governed by Rule 9.141(b)(2), emergency appeals, or any other appeal that has been accorded expedited treatment by order of this court.

In civil appeals, an agreed notice of extension of time will be accepted for up to a total of *90 days* for an *initial or answer brief* and *15 days* for a *reply brief*. This procedure shall apply to final and non-final civil appeals, including administrative appeals, but shall *not apply* to Workers' Compensation proceedings, proceedings involving adoptions, dependency, termination of parental rights, delinquency, emergency appeals, or any other appeal that has been accorded expedited treatment by order of this court.

The notice shall be in substantially the form prescribed below:

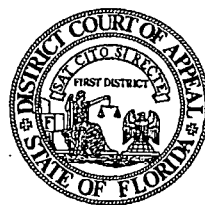
The undersigned (Appellant/Appellee _____) or counsel for (Appellant/Appellee _____) has agreed with (Appellant/Appellee _____) or counsel for (Appellant/Appellee _____) that the time for serving Appellants/Appellee's (initial, answer, or reply) brief may be extended for _____ days.


The notice need not be signed by both parties. No order will issue from the court if the stipulation complies with this directive.

Extensions of time that have been granted prior to the submission of a stipulation shall be computed as part of the aggregate time periods described herein. Extensions of time beyond the time permitted by this order, whether agreed upon or not, must be presented by motion to the court. However, no further extensions will be granted except in bona fide cases of emergency.

Witness the Honorable Bradford L. Thomas, Chief Judge of the District Court of Appeal, First District, and the Seal of said Court, at Tallahassee, Florida, this 12th day of December, 2018.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is (a true copy of) the original court order.




Kristina Samuels, Clerk

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