SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 04 –16

(Changes in Courtroom Use)

WHEREAS, With the opening of the new courtrooms on the JM level of the Moultrie Building a number of courtrooms have been reassigned; and

WHEREAS, there remains a shortage of courtrooms with cell blocks, and a number of courtrooms do not have jury rooms; and

WHEREAS, to fairly allocate courtrooms among the competing demands for their use it is essential that occupancy of courtrooms be predictable and comprehensible by the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

ORDERED, effective immediately, judicial officers should remain in their assigned courtrooms; and it is further,

ORDERED, any judicial officer wishing to use a courtroom other than his or her regularly assigned courtroom, if any, for any purpose and any judicial officer who will not need his or her assigned courtroom for one-half of a day or more should contact the Office of the Clerk of the Court and arrange any change in courtroom availability or use through that office; and it is further,

ORDERED, arrangements made through the Office of the Clerk of the Court shall take precedence over any changes in courtroom use not so arranged.

SO ORDERED.

BY THE COURT

/s/

July 26, 2004 Rufus G. King, III, Chief Judge

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