

IN THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

MADISON COUNTY, ALABAMA

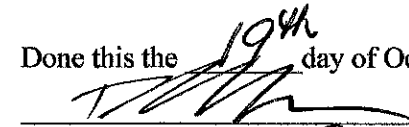
CRIMINAL DIVISION

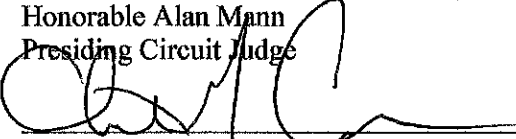
**STANDING ORDER RE: RULE 404(B) AND RULE 609, ALABAMA RULES OF EVIDENCE**


The Judges of the 23rd Judicial Circuit have determined that it would be beneficial to the administration of justice in the Circuit and District Courts of Madison County for a General Administrative Order to be entered regarding Rule 404(b) and Rule 609, of the *Alabama Rules of Evidence*. Therefore, the following is hereby **ORDERED**:

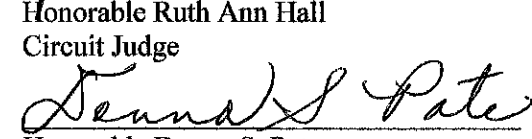
1. Effective immediately, without the need for a defendant to file a motion in any criminal case, the prosecuting entity by and through its attorney shall:
  - (a) provide reasonable notice in advance of trial, or on good cause shown in any criminal case the prosecutor's intent to use evidence of "other crimes" or "similar acts" during trial pursuant to Rule 404(b) of the Alabama Rules of Evidence; and
  - (b) provide sufficient advance written notice to the defendant of the prosecutor's intent to use for impeachment purposes during trial evidence of prior convictions of the accused.
2. Should a dispute arise, the Judges of the 23rd Judicial Circuit hereby define "reasonable pre-trial notice" and "sufficient advance written notice" as seven (7) days prior to the first trial setting.
3. A copy of this Order shall be distributed to all members of the Huntsville-Madison County Bar Association, shall be posted on the website for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Judicial Circuit, and shall be maintained in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office and the Court Administrator's Office.
4. The Clerk shall file a copy of this Order in each criminal case that is appealed.

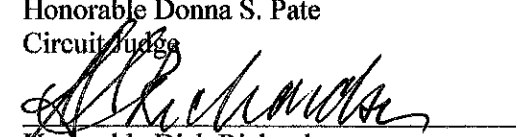
Done this the <sup>19<sup>th</sup></sup> day of October, 2016

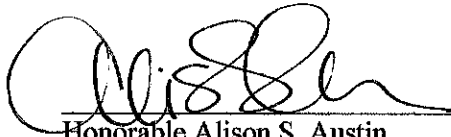
  
Honorable Alan Mann  
Presiding Circuit Judge

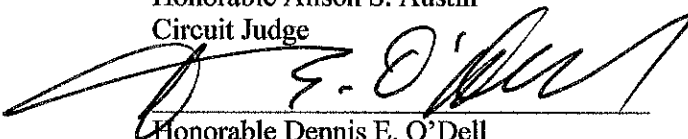
  
Honorable Chris M. Comer  
Circuit Judge


  
Honorable Ruth Ann Hall  
Circuit Judge

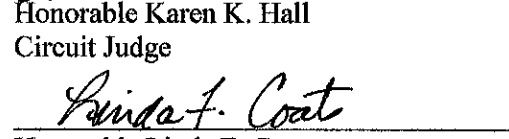
  
Honorable Donna S. Pate  
Circuit Judge

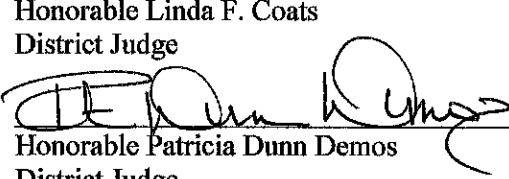
  
Honorable Dick Richardson  
District Judge

  
Honorable Alison S. Austin  
Circuit Judge

  
Honorable Dennis E. O'Dell  
Circuit Judge

  
Honorable Karen K. Hall  
Circuit Judge

  
Honorable Linda F. Coats  
District Judge

  
Honorable Patricia Dunn Demos  
District Judge

  
Honorable Claude E. Hundley III  
Presiding District Judge

cc: Debra Kizer, Circuit Clerk  
All Circuit/District Judges