

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 05-07

FELONY TRIAL PROTOCOL

In order to facilitate the timely hearing of felony trials and to assist in the efforts to reduce the population of the Champaign County Correctional Center, the following rule is hereby adopted:

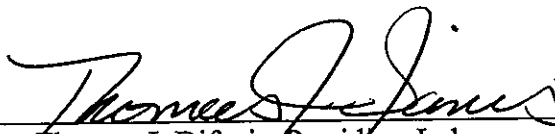
All felony cases where defendants are in custody of the Champaign County Sheriff will be resolved either by trial, plea or dismissal within 60 calendar days after the date of the arraignment. Should the State or the Defendant feel that they cannot adhere to this deadline (whether the need for additional time is due to the unavailability of laboratory reports, or if time is needed to complete DNA analysis, or for expert witness preparation, etc.) said party can make a written Motion to Continue the case. Only those Motions deemed by the Court to be well-founded and for good cause will be granted.

This rule will apply only to those defendants arraigned on or after September 1, 2005.

This Order is effective immediately.

ENTER:

8/29/05


Thomas J. Difanis, Presiding Judge
Champaign County Circuit Court

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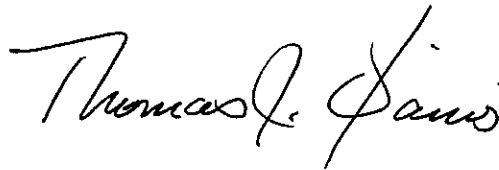
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RE: Administrative Order 05-07

Counsel:

I have been advised by the Clerk of the Circuit Court that the first felony filed today will be case number 2005 CF 1642. As such, the protocol established in Administrative Order 05-07 will apply to that case and all felony cases subsequently filed.

Very truly yours,



Thomas J. Difanis,
Presiding Judge