JUDICIAL BRANCH SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA



CHIEF JUSTICE'S CHAMBERS Temple of Justice Monrovia, Liberia

JUDICIAL ORDER NO. 3 - 2009

TO:

Judges, Clerks and Court Staff of the Circuit Courts for Montserrado County Magistrates, Clerks and Court Staff of the Magisterial Courts for Montserrado County

FROM:

Johnnie N. Lewis

CHIEF JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA

RE:

IMPLEMENTATION OF A CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IN MONTSERRADO

COUNTY

DATE:

FEBRUARY 21, 2009

We accept that the Judiciary has been experiencing difficulties in case flow within both criminal and civil circuit courts due to the lack of an effective case management system that accounts for each pending case.

We affirm that the Judiciary is committed to providing effective case management in order to provide all citizens of Liberia with equal protection and that they receive procedural due process.

We have decided upon the following goals.

- Accounting of all cases filed with the courts
- Ensuring that case files contain the information critical for disposition
- Monitoring every case from time of filing until it reaches disposition
- Ensuring each case has a future court date scheduled and is moving toward that date
- Effective communication between all components of the Judiciary

Acceptance of informal fees must cease

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered:

- To work with PAE's Legal Advisor on Strategic Planning and Court Administration, Ms.
 Krystal K. Thompson, to ensure that procedures and practices are in place to obtain the
 aforementioned;
- 2. To allow Ms. Thompson and her support to review current case flow procedures and practices;

3. To assist Ms. Thompson with creating a comprehensive case management system that enables the Judiciary to work more efficiently.

