

JOINT LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

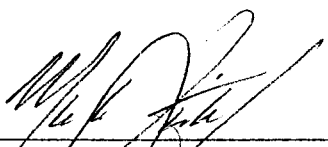
In re Circuit Court Arraignments
in District Court

Macomb Circuit Court No. 2011-3J
38th District Court No.

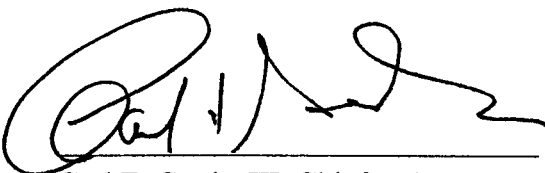
This administrative order is issued in accordance with MCR 6.111, effective April 1, 2011. This order authorizes district court judges to conduct circuit court arraignments of criminal cases cognizable in the circuit court.

1. Until further order of the Courts, if the defendant, the defense attorney, and the prosecutor consent on the record, the judge of the 38th District Court may conduct the Circuit Court arraignment and take a plea of not guilty, guilty, nolo contendere, guilty but mentally ill, or not guilty by reason of insanity in criminal cases cognizable in the Circuit Court.
2. The Circuit Court arraignment may be conducted immediately after bindover if the prosecutor has given a copy of the information or amended information to the defendant prior to the arraignment.
3. Following a plea, the case shall be transferred to the Sixteenth Circuit Court where the Circuit Court judge shall preside over all further proceedings, including sentencing.
4. Arraignments conducted pursuant to MCR 6.111 shall be conducted in conformity with MCR 6.113.
5. Pleas taken pursuant to MCR 6.111 shall be taken in conformity with MCR 6.301, 6.303, and 6.304, as applicable, and once taken shall be governed by MCR 6.310.

The Sixteenth Circuit Court and the 38th District Court will cooperate with the State Court Administrative Office in the assessment of this program.



Mark S. Switalski, Chief Judge
Macomb County Circuit Court



Carl F. Gerds, III, Chief Judge
38th District Court

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