

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR INDIAN RIVER,
MARTIN, OKEECHOBEE AND ST.
LUCIE COUNTIES.

IN RE: TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS BUREAU

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 91-4


Pursuant to Rule 6.100 Traffic Violation Bureau, Florida Rules for Traffic Court, a traffic violations bureau shall be established in each county court.

The function of the bureau shall be to accept appearances, waivers of noncriminal hearings, admissions, payment of civil penalties for traffic infractions not requiring a mandatory hearing, and nolo contendere pleas pursuant to the authority of section 318.14(9) and (10), Florida Statutes. Where any person's sentence for a criminal traffic offense or penalty for a traffic infraction requiring a mandatory hearing or a traffic infraction where the person elects to appear before an official includes the payment of a fine or civil penalty, payment may be made before the bureau. The bureau may also accept appearances, waivers of hearings, admissions and payment of civil penalties as provided in section 318.18, Florida Statutes, in traffic infraction cases where the driver originally elected, but was not required, to appear before an official prior to the date of the hearing. The bureau shall act under the direction and control of the judges of the court.

The court shall post in the place where civil penalties are to be paid in the violations bureau the schedule of the amount of the civil penalty as provided in section 318.18, Florida Statutes. All fines, civil penalties, and costs shall be paid to, receipted by and accounted for by the violations bureau or proper authority in accordance with these rules.

All cases processed in the violations bureau shall be numbered, tabulated and reported for identification and statistical purposes. In any statistical reports required by law, the number of cases disposed of by the violations bureau, shall be listed separately from those disposed of in open court.

DONE AND ORDERED in quadruplicate at Okeechobee County,
Okeechobee, Florida this 11th day DECEMBER 1991.



William L. Hendry
Chief Judge