JUDICIAL BRANCH SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA



CHIEF JUSTICE'S CHAMBERS TEMPLE OF JUSTICE MONROVIA, LIBERIA

JUDICIAL ORDER NO. 2 - 2008

TO

ALL CIRCUIT AND JUDGES OF SPECIALIZED COURTS

REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA

FROM

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MANDATE ON JURY SELECTION AND JURY INFORMATION FORM

DATE

NOVEMBER 12, 2008

In order to preserve the integrity of the jury selection process and to ensure honesty within the process, effective as of the date mentioned above all circuit judges, and judges of specialized courts in which a jury is to be empanelled, shall be required to do the following:

- Inspect all records and documents, including communication from the Clerk of Court to respective
 township commissioners, city and local authorities relative to the Jury Selection Process to ensure
 that the process, as prescribed by law, is strictly adhered to and that there have been no violations.
- Have jurors fully complete a Jury Information Form, which shall be secured in the Office of the appropriate Clerk of Court, prior to being selected as jurors. Copy of the format of such Form is hereto attached.
- Instruct prospective jurors and selected jurors to provide two (2) photos or submit themselves to having their photos taken by the appropriate court officials for each court whereat they have applied for service as jurors.
- Instruct jurors that they are subject to sequestration if requested by a party and granted by the court.
- Instruct jurors that sequestration, when granted by court, will begin with each individual selected juror rather than await the selection of the full panel.

- Instruct jurors that sequestration shall commence immediately when he/she is accepted and the
 oath is administered; and that they will not be allowed to go home upon such acceptance and
 administration of the oath.
- Instruct jurors that they are subject to prosecution where perjury is found regarding any representation made or information given on the attached Jury Information Form.
- Instruct jurors to refrain from engaging in conduct that comprises the rights of party litigants, and that prosecution will obtain where proof is establish.

