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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

**IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA**

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2002-2

IN RE: DISBURSEMENT OF COURT ORDERED RESTITUTION PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, Section 775.089, Florida Statutes, provides the courts to order restitution in certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, Section 948.032, Florida Statutes, provides that if a defendant is placed on probation, any restitution ordered under Section 775.089, Florida Statutes, shall be a condition of probation, and

WHEREAS, Section 960.0025, Florida Statutes, provides if the Department of Corrections is unable to locate the person or organization designated by the court to receive the payment of restitution, or if the designated payee refuses to accept the payment, the Department of Corrections shall direct that such funds collected from offenders be allocated to a direct support organization, as described in Section 960.002, Florida Statutes.

It is **THEREFORE**

ORDERED that:

1. When restitution ordered by the court is subsequently collected by the Department of Corrections and the victim who is to receive the court ordered restitution is unable to be located or refuses to accept the restitution, these funds shall be disbursed to:

Crimes Compensation Trust Fund
Office of the Attorney General
Division of Victim Services
Department of Legal Affairs
The Capitol
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050


2. Such disbursement should clearly designate these funds as "unclaimed restitution" since the whereabouts of the victim is unknown or the victim refuses to accept the restitution.

3. If the victim is later located or comes forward, the victim may claim any funds paid on their behalf by sending a written request to the Crimes Compensation Trust Fund.



UNOFFICIAL DOCUMENT

DONE and ORDERED in chambers at Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, this 11th
day of January 2002.



William L. Gary
Chief Judge

cc: All Clerks of the Courts, Second Judicial Circuit
Court Administration
Department of Corrections, Second Judicial Circuit
Office of the Attorney General, Division of Victim Services

