In the
Indiana Supreme Court

IN THE MATTER OF)
)
APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULES) Cause No. 44S00-0809-MS- 536
)
FOR LAGRANGE COUNTY)

ORDER RE-APPROVING CASELOAD ALLOCATION PLAN

Pursuant to Ind. Administrative Rule 1, the Judges of the LaGrange County Circuit and Superior Courts, request this Court to re-approve their caseload allocation plan based upon their revalidation of the plan.

And this Court being duly advised, now finds that the caseload allocation plan for LaGrange County should be re-approved.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court, based upon revalidation by the LaGrange County Judges, that the LaGrange County caseload allocation plan is re-approved.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Hon. J. Scott Vanderbeck, LaGrange Circuit Court, 105 North Detroit Street, LaGrange, IN 46761-1896; the Hon. George E. Brown, LaGrange Superior Court, 105 North Detroit Street, LaGrange, IN 46761-1896; to the Clerk of the LaGrange Circuit Court; and to post this Order on the Court's website.

The Clerk of the LaGrange Circuit Court is directed to enter this Order in the Record of Judgments and Orders for the Courts, to post this Order for examination by the Bar and the

general public, and if available, to publish this Order and attachment on the county clerk's website.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 30th day of September, 2008.

Randall T. Shepard

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Chief Justice of Indiana

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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL)
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FOR COURTS OF RECORD IN)
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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULE
RE-ADOPTING CURRENT CASELOAD
ALLOCATION RULE

The judges of the courts or record of LaGrange County have met and reviewed the 2007 weighted caseload statistics of the courts of record, which review reveals that the difference in utilization between any two courts of record does not exceed .40 based on the 2007 Weighted Caseload Report.

Accordingly, the judges of the courts of record have decided to re-adopt their local rule pertaining to caseload allocation as required by Administrative Rule 1, which local rule had previously been published for public comment as required by Trial Rule 81 and which has been approved by the Supreme Court, and request the Supreme Court to approve the re-adoption of the local caseload allocation rule.

Submitted this _30th__ day of May, 2008.

For the Courts of Record of LaGrange County

George E. Brown
Judge, LaGrange Superior Court

J. Scott VanDerbeck
Judge, LaGrange Circuit Court

LR44-TR 00-9- Case Assignment

A. All cases arising under Indiana Code Title 9, or in the instance of cases containing multiple counts, where any of the counts arises under the Indiana Code Title 9, shall be filed in the LaGrange Superior Court.

B. All cases arising under Indiana Code 35-46-1-5 shall be filed in the LaGrange Circuit Court.

C. All other criminal cases shall be filed first with the Clerk of the Court. The Clerk shall docket cases with each court by using a system of "lot" or random selection while ensuring that an equal division of the felony and misdemeanor cases exist between the Courts.

D. The Judges of the LaGrange Circuit and Superior Court shall meet during the months of July and January, of each year to review the caseloads of the Courts. They shall, at those meetings, make any transfers of cases which they deem necessary to provide for the more expeditious handling of cases in LaGrange County and to help to alleviate any disparity in the Courts' caseload.

Further, the Judges shall meet to discuss caseloads and make transfers at such other times as either Judge may deem necessary.