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Honorable Alex Alford
Clerk of Courts, Walton County
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Re: Walton County Clerk - Paperless Procedures

Dear Mr. Alford:

I received your January 3, 2014, letter. You request authorization for the Walton County Clerk to terminate all paper follow-up of original documents except where original documents are required by a specific rule or statute.

Your office has met all the obligations under the terms and conditions of the Florida Court Technology Commission to "go paperless" outlined in Judge Judith L. Kreeger's December 31, 2010, letter. All the judges in Walton County concur with your request.

Please consider this letter as your authorization for the Walton County Clerk's office to cease all paper follow-up of original documents from attorneys and to cease the provision of paper files to members of the judiciary.

Your progress and tenacity in making SmartBench and efficiency a priority in Walton County is exemplary. Thank you for serving the judiciary and citizens of Walton County and the First Judicial Circuit most effectively.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry D. Terrell", written over a horizontal line.

Terry D. Terrell
Chief Judge

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cc: Honorable Kelvin Wells, Administrative Judge, Walton County
All Judges, Walton County
Robin Wright, Trial Courts Administrator