

**KING COUNTY DISTRICT COURT
KING COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDING JUDGE**

) **GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**
) Clerk's Action Required
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) **No. 14-06**
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) Closing of Pre Disposition Criminal
) Cases with Fines in Collections Not
) Including DUI and/or Domestic Violence

The Court is in the process of reviewing and closing old criminal cases as a part of data clean-up project in preparation for adoption of a new case management system. In reviewing these cases, the Court has discovered that there are numerous cases that were assigned to collections before a final disposition in the case was entered and other than the outstanding debt collection these cases have no active status. An administrative order is needed to expedite and to provide order and consistency to the final closure of these criminal cases.

Accordingly, it is Ordered:

For purposes of this order the term "disposition" does includes the entry of a deferred prosecution, a stipulated order of continuance; a deferred sentence and a bail forfeiture.

When a criminal case, file ten (10) or more years ago, not including DUI and domestic violence charges, was referred to collections before there was a disposition entered in the case and there is no active bench warrant or court hearing set:

Then the case is dismissed and shall be closed by the clerk. The clerk shall recall all FTA's, collections accounts and write off all outstanding costs, fees and assessments.

When the case was filed less than 10 years ago or includes a charge of DUI or Domestic Violence; or there is an active warrant outstanding then the clerk shall submit the case for judicial review.

Upon completion of the data clean-up project, a list of cases will be attached.

DONE this 28th day of Aug, 2014.



Corinna D. Harn, Chief Presiding Judge
King County District Court