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MEMORANDUM

TO: Attorneys in the Lookout Mountain Circuit

FROM: Jody Overcash, District Court Administrator *Jody Overcash*

DATE: December 29, 2008

RE: 7th District ADR Program

Starting January 1, 2009, the 7th Judicial District will be expanding our ADR program to include a superior court mediation program in the Lookout Mountain Judicial Circuit. The program currently exists in Cherokee, Douglas, Rome and Tallapoosa Circuits (Bartow, Floyd, Gordon, Douglas, Haralson, Paulding and Polk counties). I'm excited to announce that Ms. Cindy Hall will be the Mediation Coordinator for this program.

All appropriate, contested domestic and general civil cases filed on or after January 1st, 2009 may be referred to the mediation process. We will be collecting an additional \$7.50 filing fee for all civil cases filed in the superior, state, probate and magistrate courts beginning February 1st.

If you are interested on being a mediator, we are planning on having training in the circuit in February. We will be sending out notices to all bar members as soon as it is set up. If you are already a mediator and would like to be placed on the Seventh District's approved mediator list, please call Ms. Melissa Heard, ADR Director, at 770-387-4820 or you can visit our website at www.7jad.com to get the application.

I have enclosed a copy of the mediation rules. Additional information regarding our program can be located on our website. If you have any questions regarding the rules or how the program will operate, please do not hesitate to give me a call. I can be reached at (770) 387-5480 or (877) 655-6865.