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**MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY**

IN THE MATTER OF NEW CRIMINAL CASES WITH SAME DEFENDANT.	Cause No. SB- <i>2017-87</i> ORDER
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The First Judicial District Court Judges have determined that, as far as is practically feasible, one Judge should preside over all cases involving the same criminal defendant. This practice is designed to promote judicial economy and consistent informal handling of criminal cases, and to cut down the amount of invitations to assume jurisdiction.


Therefore, effective July 1, 2017, the Clerk of District Court, when accepting a new criminal case for filing, shall check for other criminal cases brought against the same defendant. If there are other criminal cases filed

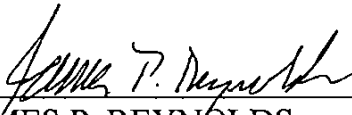
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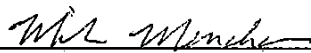
1 against the same defendant, the new case shall be filed in the department that has
2 the oldest criminal case.

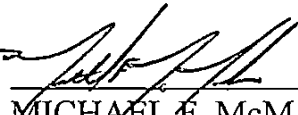
3 IT IS SO ORDERED.

4 DATED this ___ day of June 2017.

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7 KATHY SEELEY
8 District Court Judge


JAMES P. REYNOLDS
District Court Judge

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MICHAEL F. McMAHON
District Court Judge

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