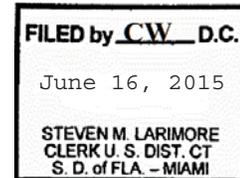


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2015-44

**IN RE: APPROVAL OF PROBATION OFFICE'S  
PARTICIPATION IN THE STAFF TRAINING AIMED  
AT REDUCING RE-ARREST (STARR) PROGRAM**

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The Administrative Office of the United States Courts has developed a new training program for Probation Officers called the “Staff Training Aimed at Reducing Re-Arrest” Program. The objective of this initiative is to assist in the professional development of Probation Officers and to provide them with training on cognitive behavior-based communication techniques. As part of the program, some sessions between Probation Officers and offenders<sup>1</sup> would be recorded so that valuable feedback can be provided to the Officers. After discussion at the regularly scheduled Judges’ meeting on May 21, 2015, and with the unanimous approval of the Judges in attendance at that meeting, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Probation Office’s participation in the STARR program, including the recording of sessions with offenders, is approved, subject to the following terms and conditions: 1) participation in the recorded sessions will be purely voluntary on the part of offenders, and the Probation Office will obtain written waivers from any offenders who voluntarily choose to participate; 2) the recordings will be used for training

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<sup>1</sup> An offender is a defendant who is on supervised release.

purposes only; and 3) the recordings will be destroyed by the Probation Office within sixty (60) days of their creation.

DONE AND ORDERED in chambers in Miami, Florida, this 16th day of June, 2015.



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K. MICHAEL MOORE  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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