

**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. 14-05**
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) Closing Criminal Cases with Fines in
) Collections more than 10 years.
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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 are still open with the only remaining conditions was payment of fines, costs, fees and assessments. Most of these cases were assigned to collections for judgment entered ten or more years ago and there has not been an extension of the judgment since the original entry. 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:

When a finding of guilty was entered ten or more years ago and

- (1) Sentence was imposed (not including a deferred sentence – unless it has already been revoked)
- (2) There is no outstanding bench warrant;
- (3) There are not current court dates or compliance monitoring;
- (4) There is no outstanding unpaid restitution;
- (5) There has been a prior determination that the case should be closed upon payment of the outstanding fines, costs, fees and assessments
- (6) The judgment imposing the fines, costs, fees and assessments was entered ten or more years ago and are not in garnishment and/or an order extending judgment has not been entered,

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

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