

IN THE CIRCUIT/COUNTY COURT OF THE _____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

IN AND FOR _____ COUNTY, FLORIDA

IN RE: _____ CASE NO.: _____

Ex Parte Order for Involuntary Examination

Pursuant to Section 394.463, Florida Statutes, this Court having received sworn testimony, states that the above-named individual, presently within the county, appears to meet the following criteria for involuntary examination:

1. There is reason to believe the above-named individual has a mental illness as defined in Section 394.455, F.S., and because of this mental illness said individual:

- (a) has refused voluntary examination after conscientious explanation and disclosure of the purpose of the examination; **or**
 (b) is unable to determine for himself/herself whether examination is necessary, **AND**

2. Either (Check a and/or b)

- (a) without care or treatment the above-named individual is likely to suffer from neglect or refuse to care for himself/herself, and such neglect or refusal poses a real and present threat of substantial harm to his or her well-being and it is not apparent that such harm may be avoided through the help of willing family members or friends or the provision of other services;
OR
 (b) There is substantial likelihood that without care or treatment the above-named individual will cause serious bodily harm to
 himself or herself or another person in the near future, as evidenced by recent behavior.

One or more Petitions and Affidavits Seeking Order Requiring Involuntary Examination (CF-MH 3002 or equivalent) on which the above conclusion is based is attached.

Additional information upon which this order is based is: _____

Therefore, it is

ORDERED

That a law enforcement officer, or designated agent of the Court take the above-named individual into custody and deliver or arrange for the delivery of said individual to the appropriate facility within the designated receiving system or the **nearest** receiving facility, pursuant to the approved transportation plan, for involuntary examination, and that this order and petition be made part of said individual's clinical record. A law enforcement officer or agent may serve and execute this order on any day of the week, at any time of the day or night. A law enforcement officer or agent may use such reasonable physical force as is necessary to gain entry to the premises, and any dwellings, buildings, or other structures located on the premises, and to take custody of the individual who is the subject of this ex parte order.

This order expires in _____ days. If no time limit is specified in this order, the order shall be valid for 7 days after the date that the order was signed.

ORDERED THIS _____ day of _____, _____
Date Month Year

Printed Name of Circuit or County Court Judge

Signature of Circuit or County Court Judge

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