



## **KEN BURKE**

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#### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

### ***Local officials appointed to Judicial Management Council***

CLEARWATER, FL – January 11, 2007 - Florida Supreme Court Chief Justice R. Fred Lewis has appointed Ken Burke, Pinellas County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Bernie McCabe, Pinellas/Pasco State Attorney to serve on the Judicial Management Council (JMC).

The council will provide a forum for effective two-way communication between citizens and the courts, as well as, a unique and broad perspective on important court initiatives, according to a letter sent by Eleventh Judicial Circuit Chief Judge Joseph P. Farina, Chair of the JMC.

“The JMC will bring together the collective experience and knowledge of court system leadership with members of the public to further a collaborative approach,” said Judge Farina. “[Each member’s] individual profile of leadership and accomplishment is central to our process.”

The JMC will review administration and management processes and provide input on operational plans. Members will evaluate, update and implement appropriate strategies from the 2000-2006 Communication Plan and make recommendations regarding the future role, membership and structure of the JMC, according to Florida Supreme Court Chief Justice R. Fred Lewis.

Burke was nominated by the Florida Association of Court Clerks (FACC) and McCabe by the Florida Prosecuting Attorneys' Association (FPAA).

More information including the Supreme Court Administrative Order regarding the JMC, which lists the new appointees, links to the Florida Supreme Court, the FACC and the Pinellas/Pasco State Attorney's Office websites are available on the Clerk's website, <http://www.pinellasclerk.org>.

#### **ABOUT THE CLERK'S OFFICE**

The Clerk of the Circuit Court was established as a public trustee by the Florida Constitution in 1838. The Clerk of the Circuit Court serves as the Clerk of Courts, the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, Auditor, Recorder and Custodian of all County Funds.