In the Matter of the

COURTS OF THE THIRD CIRCUIT

OF

THE STATE OF HAWAI I

ORDER EXTENDING THE NON-CONSENSUAL VIDEO CONFERENCE <u>PILOT PROJECT IN THE COURTS OF THE THIRD CIRCUIT</u> (By: Moon, C.J., Nakayama, Acoba, and Duffy, JJs., and Intermediate Court of Appeals Chief Judge Recktenwald, assigned by reason of vacancy)

Having considered the 2008 Non-Consensual Video Conference Pilot Project Report, submitted in accordance with our December 17, 2007, order establishing the NON-CONSENSUAL VIDEO CONFERENCE PILOT PROJECT IN THE COURTS OF THE THIRD CIRCUIT (project), a copy of which is attached hereto,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the project is continued, effective *nunc pro tunc* January 1, 2009 through January 31, 2010.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Chief Judge and the Chief Court Administrator of the Third Circuit shall submit for this court s consideration a report about the pilot project. The report shall be submitted no later than January 4, 2010. The report shall include, but need not be limited to, the number and types of matters heard by video conference during the term of the pilot project, the number and types of challenges and objections to video conference hearings, and the monetary and other resource savings, if any, that resulted from such video conference hearings. To the extent that information is available, the report shall include monetary and resource savings to parties and affected state or county agencies, including the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, the Department of Public Safety, the Hawai i Police Department, the Office of the Public Defender, and any other entity for which information is available.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii, February 10, 2009.