

IN THE COUNTY COURT, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA  
Plaintiff,

vs.

CASE NO. 16-466-MM

FRANK PAUL JONES,  
Defendant.


ORDER APPOINTING COMMITTEE TO EVALUATE  
DEFENDANT'S COMPETENCE TO PROCEED


This cause come on before the Court upon Defendant's Motion to Determine Competency pursuant to Fla. R. Crim. P. 3.210, and the Court being fully advised in the premises and having reasonable ground to believe that the Defendant may not be mentally competent to proceed, it is thereupon

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Mental health experts Dr. Robert Moering and Dr. Ellen Suarez are hereby appointed to examine Defendant with respect to the issues of Defendant's competence to proceed and involuntary commitment before this Court.
2. The examinations shall be held at the Highlands County Jail.
3. The appointed experts shall each in writing report to this Court, with copies to attorneys for the State and Defendant, his findings on the issues of competence to proceed and involuntary commitment on or before the 27 day of July, 2016. Court Administration shall pay for the expert witness fees.
4. The criteria for assessing the issue of competence to proceed as well as the criteria for involuntary commitment, and the requirements for reporting findings on these issues, (pursuant to Florida Statutes and the Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure) are attached hereto and made a part of this Order by reference.
5. A hearing<sup>1</sup> for the determination of Defendant's Competence to Proceed is hereby scheduled at 1:30pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016.

DONE AND ORDERED at Sebring, Highlands County, FL., this 21 day of June, 2016.

  
ANTHONY RITENCOUR  
County Judge

xc:  State Attorney (RP)  
Public Defender (EM)  
Appointed Experts

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