

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR ALACHUA, COUNTY, FLORIDA**

CHRISTOPHER A. HANSON,
individually and as attorney for
himself and next friend and attorney
for his two minor children,
Petitioners,

v.

Case No.: 01-2026-CA-001794

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA BOARD
OF TRUSTEES, and CUSTODIAN
OF PUBLIC RECORDS, UNIVERSITY
OF FLORIDA,
Respondents.

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**MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH
RULE 1.200 CASE MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES**

COMES NOW, Respondent, the University of Florida Board of Trustees (the “University”), and moves that the Court dispense with the case management procedures provided in Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.200 and set an immediate evidentiary hearing pursuant to § 119.11(1), Fla. Stat. (2026), to determine the University’s compliance with Chapter 119, and in support states:

1. In this case, Petitioner seeks a writ of mandamus related to the University’s production of public records under Chapter 119 of the Florida Statutes.
2. As explained herein, Florida law requires that a Chapter 119 case, which arises under Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.630, be heard immediately on an accelerated basis. Such cases are expressly exempted from case management procedures by Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.200.

3. This case is scheduled for a Case Management Conference on August 24, 2026.¹ The University respectfully requests that the Court take up this motion and the University's contemporaneously filed *Motion for Protective Order* at that time.

Rule 1.200 does not Apply to this Case

4. The requirements of Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.200 do not apply to actions "involving an extraordinary writ or remedy under rule 1.630." *See* Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.200(a)(13).

5. Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.630(d)(2) governs this case because Petitioner seeks a writ of mandamus.

6. Therefore, the University respectfully requests that the Court remove the instant case from the case management requirements outlined in its *Order Setting Case Management Conference And Requiring Submission Of Case Management Statement*.

Request for Immediate Hearing

7. "Whenever an action is filed to enforce the provisions of [Chapter 119], the court shall set an immediate hearing, giving the case priority over other pending cases." Section 119.11(1), Fla. Stat. (2026). This section makes it clear that proceedings under Chapter 119 are to be conducted on an accelerated basis. "[A]n accelerated civil action plays a critical role in the enforcement of the Public Records Act, as is reflected in the title of section 119.11—'Accelerated hearing; immediate compliance.'" *Bd. of Trustees, Jacksonville Police & Fire Pension Fund v. Lee*, 189 So. 3d 120, 124 (Fla. 2016).

8. In Chapter 119 proceedings, as a threshold matter, the Court must first and foremost adjudicate the issue of whether the University produced the public records requested by Petitioner.

¹ Because the issues raised in this motion remain unresolved, the University will comply with the Court's July 16, 2026, *Order Setting Case Management Conference and Requiring Submission of Case Management Statement*, though the University does so without waiving its objection to the application of Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.200 to this case.

See Morris v. City of Miami, 402 So. 3d 424, 426 (Fla. 3d DCA 2024). “This threshold determination is crucial.” *Id.*

9. Accordingly, the University respectfully requests that the Court set an immediate evidentiary hearing to determine the threshold issue of the University’s compliance with Chapter 119.

WHEREFORE, the University respectfully requests that the Court dispense with the case management requirements provided in Fla. R. Civ. P. 1.200, set an evidentiary hearing to determine the University’s compliance with Chapter 119 as soon as possible, and grant any other relief the Court deems proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF CONFERRAL

I HEREBY CERTIFY that prior to filing this motion, on July 24, 2026, I discussed the relief requested in this motion by telephone with the Petitioner, and Petitioner disagreed with the relief requested.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the undersigned counsel electronically filed the foregoing using the Florida Courts E-Filing Portal, which will generate a Notice of Electronic Filing to Petitioner at Petitioner's designated email address on this 30th day of July, 2026.

/s/ James W. Kirkconnell
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