Administrative Order 2004 – 02

PLAN FOR REMOTE HEARINGS ON SUPPORT AND PARENTING TIME ENFORCEMENT ACT BENCH WARRANTS

IT IS ORDERED:

This administrative order is issued in accordance with Michigan Court Rule 3.221. The purpose of this order is to coordinate communication between circuits to facilitate the presentation of evidence by the friend of the court in a circuit that issued a bench warrant to a court in the circuit in which the arrested party is being held.

1. When an individual is arrested in another circuit pursuant to a bench warrant issued by this court, and the bond review hearing will be conducted by a hearing officer in the other circuit, the friend of the court in this circuit may present evidence by any of the following methods:

   a. Telephonic communications.

   b. Audio visual communications generated from this circuit that are compatible with "**STANDARDS FOR USE OF INTERACTIVE VIDEO TECHNOLOGY IN CONDUCTING INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT, CHILD PROTECTIVE, AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY HEARINGS IN PILOT COURTS**" issued by the state court administrator for hearing in juvenile proceedings and have the following specifications: N/A

   c. Facsimile equipment.

   d. E-mail may be used to transmit documentary evidence. Documents will be generated in WordPerfect and/or Word.

   e. The MiCSES may be used to transmit information concerning the case.

2. When an individual is arrested in this circuit pursuant to a bench warrant issued by another circuit court and the bond review hearing will be held in this circuit, the judge or hearing officer in this circuit will receive evidence by any of the following methods:

   a. Telephonic communications.

   b. Audio visual communication if the transmitting equipment in the other circuit is compatible with "**STANDARDS FOR USE OF INTERACTIVE VIDEO TECHNOLOGY IN CONDUCTING INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT, CHILD PROTECTIVE,**

AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY HEARINGS IN PILOT COURTS" issued by the state court administrator and has the following specifications: N/A

c. Facsimile equipment.

d. E-mail may be used to receive documentary evidence. Documents will be opened in WordPerfect and/or Word.

e. Information generated locally from the MiCSES.

3. Pursuant to MRE 1101, the evidence provided pursuant to subsection 2 is admissible in bond proceedings.

4. An officer of the court acting in another circuit can make arrangements for hearings covered by this order by contacting Cass County dispatch at 269-445-1205, who will then call Jack O'Donnell, Friend of the Court Warrant Officer, at 269-445-4445 or his successor, Janet Feick, Friend of the Court Enforcement Caseworker, at 269-445-4436, or her successor, Tina Hall, Friend of the Court Enforcement Supervisor, at 269-445-4436.

5. The friend of the Court shall cooperate with officials of other circuits to implement this order.

Effective Date: MAY 1, 2004

Date: 4-29-04 Chief Judge Signature: Michael E Dodge

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Honorable Michael E. Dodge
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Re: Administrative Order C43 2004-02
Plan for Remote Hearings on Support and Parenting Time Enforcement Act Bench Warrants

Dear Judge Dodge:

This is to advise that we have reviewed the above- referenced administrative order and find that it conforms with the requirements of MCR 8.112(B). This order is being accepted and filed until advised by your court of any change.

Sincerely,

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Director, Trial Court Services

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cc: Ms. Barbara Wilson
Mr. James P. Hughes, Region 2 Administrator

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