VIRTUAL REMOTE TELECONFERENCE / ZOOM COURT PROCEEDINGS

Judge Linda L. Gaustad - Division 05 Delinquency / Dependency / Unified Family

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<u>UPDATED</u>: Effective January 3, 2022 all hearings shall be conducted "In-Person".

- <u>Delinquency/Juvenile (Criminal) Case/s:</u> All parents and youth *shall* appear in-person.
 - o EXCEPTION: Youth in custody shall appear remotely via Zoom.
- <u>Dependency/Family</u>: All parties shall appear in-person.
 - EXCEPTION: Caregiver and child/ren shall appear remotely via Zoom with video and audio.

NOTE: The playroom is CLOSED.

- <u>REQUEST FOR A VIRTUAL REMOTE TELEPHONIC OR ZOOM APPEARANCE:</u> Any party, attorney, or attendee/s must have prior Court approval; by motion and order of the Court.
- 1) Upon *Court* approval you may join a virtual remote zoom hearing: via Zoom from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device. If you have the Zoom app, simply "join" the hearing using the hearing ID below.

Via ZOOM TELECONFERENCE https://zoom.us/j/4287823005 audio/video at: https://zoom.us/j/4287823005 Hearing ID: 428 782 3005 #

or

Join from dial-in phone line: +1 786 635 1003 US (Miami)

The parties should log into Zoom or Call five (5) minutes prior to the scheduled hearing time. You will need to find a quiet area to attend the hearing: as All hearings are recorded.

- 2) Parties unable to appear virtually via Zoom with audio/video; they shall be permitted to appear by joining from a dial-in phone line.
- 3) If a party is unable to appear in Court by one of the above methods, then they would need to make arrangements with the Judicial Assistant by calling (386) 736-5945 or e-mail.

Once, you have logged into the hearing; you will be in a "virtual waiting area". This is as equivalent to being outside the courtroom.

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- a) You will need to remain in the "virtual waiting area" until the time of your hearing.
- b) The Court will bring you into the virtual courtroom and verify what hearing you are present for on the docket.
- c) If the case that you are appearing for is not until another time, then the Judge may place you back in the 'virtual waiting area".

Remember that these are Court Proceedings and you shall conduct yourselves accordingly (example: *No smoking or eating during the court proceeding and proper dress is required*).

Late arrival: *May* result in missing your hearing and a Default being entered against you. In Juvenile Criminal Court, missing your hearing *may* result in a warrant for your arrest.

It is your responsibility to maintain contact with your Attorney.

If you have any questions, please contact the Judicial Assistant at (386) 736-5945.

Thank you.

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