

December 20, 1982

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

#82-7

RE: ACCESSABILITY OF JUVENILE RECORDS FOR USE IN ADULT CRIMINAL CASES

The Clerk of Court, his deputies, and assistant clerks in the juvenile office are hereby permitted and authorized to release a juvenile record in the following manner:

Upon being asked by an attorney representing a defendant in a criminal case pending in either the Superior or District Court to inspect the record of a particular juvenile, the clerk shall not allow the attorney to read any portion of the file except the date(s) of a finding(s) or adjudication(s) by the court i.e. either for or against the juvenile. It is permissible for the attorney to take written notes of any finding(s) or adjudication(s); should the attorney object to this procedure, the clerk is to advise him of this order and inform him the only way a juvenile's record can be completely released is by the issuance of a Subpoena Duces Tecum addressed to the Clerk of Family Court or his designee.

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CHIEF JUDGE