

RHODE ISLAND FAMILY COURT

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 92-3

RE: Rules of Juvenile Proceedings

Pursuant to Rule 17 of the Rules of Juvenile Proceedings which states --

- (c) "Plan. When the court finds a child abused, neglected or dependent, and in continuing need for care inconsistent with a return of custody to the parent(s), guardian, or other person previously having custody, the court shall direct the Department for Children and Their Families to submit within thirty (30) days a written plan for care and treatment of such child. The court shall thereupon approve or modify such plan, or shall remand such plan to the Department for further development and resubmission. The time for initial submission may be extended for good cause."
- (d) "Upon approval of a plan for the care and treatment of a child, the court shall direct the Department to review such plan and report thereon to the court not later than six (6) months thereafter."

Effective immediately, the required hearing shall consist of a six (6) month Administrative Review conducted in the Family Court Complex in a location to be designated by the Chief Judge.

All parties to the case and their attorneys will be required to be in attendance. The Administrative Review will be summarized in a case plan. If all parties and their attorneys consent, said case plan shall be presented for approval to a judge on the juvenile calendar. Should the said parties not be able to reach an agreement, said matter shall be assigned by the juvenile clerk for hearing.

A full judicial review held in accordance with 40-11-12.1 shall be conducted within six (6) months after the Administrative Hearing or sooner if ordered by the court.

SEPTEMBER 30, 1992
Date

Jeremiah S. Jeremiah, Jr.
Chief Judge