SPECIAL CAUSE CALENDAR

Effective this date, the Family Court has established a Special Cause Calendar for those extended juvenile or domestic relations reviews or motions that will require more than two days of testimony to complete.

When a Family Court judge determines that a case shall be so assigned to the Special Cause Calendar, the judge will require the attorneys to prepare a stipulation, which will include the following information:

- (1) name of case
- (2) folder number
- (3) names, addresses and office telephone numbers of the attorneys
- (4) length of testimony for plaintiff and number of witnesses to be called
- (5) length of testimony for defendant and number of witnesses to be called
- (6) if a CASA attorney or guardian ad litem is involved, length of testimony and number of witnesses to be called
- (7) special circumstances, e.g. defendant's counsel excused from court for certain period of time

The Family Court judge will sign the stipulation and have the attorneys file same with the Domestic Relations Clerk in Providence. The matter will then be assigned to the Special Cause Calendar.

According to the availability of judges, such matters will be assigned for hearing. Attorneys will receive telephone notification as to date and time of the hearing.

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