

State of Michigan

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42nd Circuit Court Administrative Order 2010-2.

CASE ASSIGNMENT ORDER

This Order is Effective February 5, 2010. This Order rescinds C42-2009-01

IT IS ORDERED:

Cases filed within the Midland County 42nd Circuit Court shall be assigned as follows:

1. All Delinquency and Neglect cases shall be assigned to Judge Dorene S. Allen.
2. Family Division miscellaneous proceedings, excluding Adult PPO's, and including adoptions, name changes, safe delivery of newborns, emancipation of minors, infectious diseases, parental waivers, guardianships, conservatorships and mental illness proceedings shall be assigned to Judge Dorene S. Allen.
3. All Personal Protection Orders involving Respondents under the age of eighteen shall be assigned to Judge Dorene S. Allen.
4. All Civil Division cases shall be assigned as follows: 50% to Judge Jonathan E. Lauderbach and 50% Judge Michael J. Beale, to be determined by lot, except asbestos cases, which shall be assigned to Judge Jonathan E. Lauderbach.
5. All Appeals to the Circuit Court shall be assigned as follows: 50% to Judge Jonathan E. Lauderbach and 50% to Judge Michael J. Beale, to be determined by lot.
6. All Criminal Division cases shall be assigned as follows: 50% to Judge Jonathan E. Lauderbach and 50% to Judge Michael J. Beale, to be determined by lot.
 - a. However, if a prior criminal action assigned to a judge is pending, or the defendant is on probation, subsequent criminal cases involving the same defendant shall be assigned to that judge.


7. All Personal Protection Orders involving Respondents who have attained the age of eighteen shall be assigned as follows: 50% to Judge Jonathan E. Lauderbach and 50% to Judge Michael J. Beale, to be determined by lot.
 - a. However, if a prior adult PPO action involving a party has been assigned to a judge, all subsequent PPO cases involving the same party shall be assigned to that judge.
 - b. Further, if a Domestic Relations case is pending involving the same parties, the PPO case shall be assigned to the same judge hearing the Domestic Relations case.

8. All Domestic Relations Cases shall be assigned as follows: 50% to Judge Jonathan E. Lauderbach, 50% to Judge Michael J. Beale, to be determined by lot.
 - a. Should a Neglect and Abuse or Juvenile Delinquency action occur at any time during the pendency of a Domestic Relations case, and that Neglect and Abuse or Juvenile Delinquency action has been assigned to Judge Dorene S. Allen, the Domestic Relations case shall also be assigned to Judge Dorene S. Allen.
 - b. If a Personal Protection Order case is pending and/or the adult PPO remains in effect, the Domestic Relations case shall be assigned to the same judge hearing the PPO.
 - c. Should an open limited or full guardianship exist at any time during the pendency of a Domestic Relations case, and that guardianship has been assigned to Judge Dorene S. Allen, the Domestic Relations case shall also be assigned to Judge Dorene S. Allen.

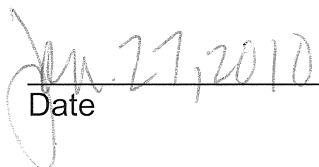
9. If the 42nd Circuit Court Family Division judges are disqualified or recused, the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court will refer the case to the State Court Administrator for assignment to another judge.

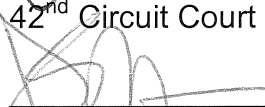
This Local Administrative Order supersedes and rescinds 42nd Circuit Court Administrative Order 2009-01.

1/22/10
Date



Jonathan E. Lauderbach
Chief Judge
42nd Circuit Court


Jan 27, 2010
Date



Dorene S. Allen
Chief Judge
Midland County Probate Court