

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 02-25**

**WHEREAS**, to effect compliance with the Adoptions and Safe Families Act (“AFSA”) (D.C. Code §§16-2301 et seq., (2000); and 42 U.S.C. §§ 670 et. seq.) and to further the goals of the Family Court Act of 2001, which, amongst other things, are to achieve expeditiously permanent and safe homes for children in the Neglect and Abuse System consistent with federal and local laws; and

**WHEREAS**, to provide judicial officers with uniform court orders that comply with those laws; and

**WHEREAS**, to provide all attorneys, social workers, and other Family Court participants with uniform orders upon which they can consistently rely and use in the performance of their duties;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is hereby,

**ORDERED**, this second day of August, 2002, that the attached:

- Initial Hearing/Further Initial Hearing Order;
- Pre-Trial Hearing Order;
- Disposition Hearing Order;
- Permanency Hearing Order,
- Neglect & Abuse Hearing Form;
- Attachment A – Family Services,
- Attachment B – Protection Supervision Page, and
- Attachment C – Private Placement Signature Page

are adopted by this Court as official Court forms for Family Court proceedings in Neglect and Abuse cases; it is further

**ORDERED**, that these orders will immediately, hereafter, be posted on the Court's public drive (the P:\ drive) and produced in hardcopy to be made available to Court staff as needed; it is further

**ORDERED**, that these forms be made available, electronically or by other means, to practitioners and agencies with an interest in Neglect and Abuse matters.

This order shall remain in effect subject only to modification consistent with local and federal statute.

**SO ORDERED.**

**BY THE COURT**  
**August 2, 2002**

/S/  
**Rufus G. King, III, Chief Judge**

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