

STATE OF MICHIGAN

CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF MACOMB

In re Assignment of Cases

Administrative Order 2000-12

*Repealed
by
2003-6*

I. Family Division Cases

(A) Juvenile offenses, abuse and neglect, adoption, and parental consent cases, shall be filed at the Juvenile Division facility and assigned to the Family Division judge located in the Juvenile Division facility, except:

(1) If a domestic relations matter involving the same family is pending in the Family Division and is assigned to a judge not located in the Juvenile Division facility, the new juvenile matter shall be assigned to that judge.

(B) All other new Family Division cases, including name changes, shall be filed at the Circuit Court facility and assigned by lot among the Circuit and Probate judges assigned to the Family Division and located in the Circuit Court building; except:

(1) If a juvenile matter is pending involving the same family in the Juvenile Division facility, the new domestic relations matter will be assigned to the judge located in the Juvenile Division facility.

(C) "Family" for purposes of this order includes individuals who are related as husband or wife, parent, step-parent, guardian, child or sibling. An action may still be deemed to involve a "family" although an unrelated individual is involved as a complainant or a party.

II. Civil and Criminal Cases

All new civil and criminal cases will be assigned by lot among the Circuit judges who are not assigned to the Family Division; except if a juvenile or domestic relations matter is pending involving that same family or a new civil or criminal action arises from the relationship of parties involved in a juvenile or domestic relations matter, so far as is practical, the civil or criminal case will be assigned to the Family Division judge assigned to the juvenile or domestic relations matter.

The Presiding Judge of the Family Division, or the Chief Judge, shall determine whether to assign a civil or criminal case to a Family Division judge under this section to further the concept of one judge/one family.

III. Miscellaneous Matters


Miscellaneous matters, including, but not limited to, group proceedings for admission to the State Bar of Michigan, ex parte freeze orders, writs which are not related to a particular case, warrants prior to cases being bound over, extradition proceedings and show cause proceedings against jurors which are not related to a particular case shall be assigned to the Chief Judge.

IV. Repeal of Administrative Order 1997-4

Administrative Order 1997-4 is REPEALED.

V. Effective Date

This order shall take effect on December 15, 2000



Peter J. Maceroni
Chief Judge

Dated: Dec. 1, 2000