## EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT: ARAPAHOE, DOUGLAS, ELBERT and LINCOLN COUNTIES, COLORADO

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Chief Judge Order 23-01 Division 201, Arapahoe County

## CHIEF JUDGE ORDER 23-01 REGARDING C.R.J.P. 3.7 AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO PRESIDING JUVENILE JUDGE

Pursuant to Colorado Rule of Juvenile Procedure 3.7, "[t]he chief judge in each judicial district or the presiding judge of the Denver juvenile court shall designate one or more qualified persons or agencies to act as a screening team with authority to determine whether a juvenile who has been taken into custody should be released to a parent, guardian, or other legal custodian, or detained pending a detention hearing." C.R.J.P. 3.7.

Accordingly, the undersigned designates the Eighteenth Judicial District Juvenile Services Planning Committee ("JSPC"), appointed under C.R.S. § 19-2.5-

302, as the "qualified persons or agencies to act as a screening team with authority to determine whether a juvenile who has been taken into custody should be released to a parent, guardian, or other legal custodian, or detained pending a detention hearing." C.R.J.P. 3.7. The JSPC, or their fiscal agent, is authorized to enter into a contract with the Eighteenth Judicial District Juvenile Assessment Center ("JAC") to administer services described in C.R.S. § 19-2.5-303 and C.R.J.P. 3.7.

Similarly, Chief Justice Directive 95-01 outlines the "Authority and Responsibility of Chief Judges," including instances where the chief judges can delegate authority. Pursuant to CJD 95-01(1), "[t]he chief judge may delegate authority to the . . . other judges as deemed appropriate." CJD 95-01(1). "The chief judge may establish uniform case management, case processing, and calendaring procedures for all district and county courts in the district." CJD 95-01(6). "The chief judge maintains ultimate authority and responsibility despite delegation pursuant to this directive." CJD 95-01(1).

Therefore, pursuant to the authority granted to the chief judges of the judicial districts of the State of Colorado by CJD 95-01 and to establish uniform case management, case processing, and calendaring procedures for certain juvenile cases, the undersigned delegates authority to the Presiding Juvenile Judge to update and issue the local plan for juvenile screening and detention guidelines. The Presiding Juvenile Judge Order shall be titled "Presiding Juvenile Judge Order [year]-01 Regarding Juvenile Screening and Detention Guidelines." Once it is issued by the Presiding Juvenile Judge, the Presiding Juvenile Judge Order [year]-01 Regarding Juvenile Screening and Detention Guidelines shall automatically replace the existing Chief Judge Order Regarding the Management of the Juvenile Detention Population (CJO 13-13).

## Dated this 1st day of February, 2023.

BY THE COURT:

Michelle A. Amico

Chief Judge

Eighteenth Judicial District