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**1st Judicial District
Court**

RULE 20. RECORD OF TESTIMONY

Parish of Caddo

1. In all suits for divorce, the testimony shall be taken by the official court reporter and preserved for five (5) years, so as to be available for transcription.

Adopted effective
Jan. 1, 1994.

2. [Pub. Note: There is no paragraph 2.]

**9th Judicial District
Court**

RULE XI. DIVORCE AND SEPARATION

Parish of Rapides

The following rules will be observed with respect to divorce and separation cases:

Revised effective
Nov. 16, 2005

F. Any party failing to abide by these rules shall be subject to sanctions by the Court.

**13th Judicial District
Court**

d. Children.

Parish of Evangeline

Clients and witnesses shall be advised not to bring children to court, unless in unusual circumstances were the child(ren) may be called as witnesses. Children, under the age of twelve, shall not be allowed in the courtroom without special permission of the court.

Adopted Effective
May 1, 2003

**14th Judicial District
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Court**

**Parishes of Acadia,
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As Amended October
31, 2007

1. SPECIFIC CIVIL RULES IN FAMILY DOCKET CASES

Suits for annulment, divorce and separation where there are no minor children born of, adopted or legitimated by the marriage together with all related incidental matters as defined by La. C.C. Art. 105, including a request for protective order instituted after the filing of the suit, and the community property partitions associated with the dissolution of said marriages, and all matters assigned to the Family Docket shall be governed by the specific rules found in Title IV hereof. In any instance where the specific rules found in Title IV are silent, the general rules and civil rules shall apply.

2. CHILDREN IN THE COURTROOM

Clients and witnesses shall be advised not to bring children to court, except in unusual circumstances where the child[ren] may be called as witnesses. When a child is to be a witness in a proceeding, arrangements shall be made to have the child on a standby basis until their testimony is needed, preferably waiting at a location other than the Courthouse. Children, under the age of twelve, shall not be allowed in the courtroom without special permission of the court. The Clerk of Court shall notify the parties of this rule in accordance with Appendix 2.

3. COLLABORATIVE LAW

Case filings designated as an approved Collaborative Law matter shall be exempt from deadlines and other local rules of court proceedings concerning domestic cases. The attorneys shall certify in the Petition for Divorce that this is a collaborative law case, and that they and the clients have signed a Contract to proceed in a collaborative manner. In the event of an impasse, and either party withdraws from the collaborative process, both attorneys shall file a motion to withdraw as counsel of record, and they shall certify in the motion that the collaborative process is in impasse.

Once a collaborative case is at impasse and the attorneys in the collaborative process have withdrawn as counsel of record, the matter shall be deemed one for regular litigation, and it shall then proceed according to all local court rules of the Fifteenth Judicial District.

Any attorney that enters into a collaborative law agreement in the Fifteenth Judicial District shall be in good standing with the Louisiana State Bar Association, and they shall have the basic introductory two day training regarding the team approach to collaborative cases involving mental health professionals, certified public accountants, certified valuation analyst and other professionals that may be necessary to find a solution to the parties legal problems. Any introductory course offered by the Collaborative Professional Group of Louisiana, Inc., is approved.

4. MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS IN CUSTODY/VISITATION PROCEEDINGS

Section A. At the time of the Hearing Officer Conference with the hearing officer, if either party has moved for a mental health evaluation under La. R.S. 9:331, the parties or their respective counsel shall have an opportunity to provide a verbal statement and other documentary evidence of their positions to the hearing officer with regard to the custody and/or visitation issues before the Court. The hearing officer shall then recommend whether the matter is appropriate for a mental health evaluation and if so, how the costs shall be apportioned pending the hearing on the merits of the custody and/or visitation proceeding.

Section B. If the hearing officer recommends referring the matter to a mental health professional for evaluation, an Order for Mental Health Evaluation shall issue at the time of the Hearing Officer Conference, in substantial compliance with Appendix 8. A party objecting to the hearing officer's recommendation referring the matter for evaluation shall have five (5) days within which to file an objection to the order. The Clerk of Court shall send a certified copy of the order to the mental health professional and any

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unrepresented party, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the address contained on the order, simultaneously with the mailing of the Notice to all counsel of record.

Section C. If the hearing officer does not recommend referring the matter to a mental health professional for an evaluation, either party shall have five (5) court days within which to file an objection to the recommendation denying the requested order;

Section D. In the event either party objects to the recommendation of the hearing officer regarding the issue of mental health evaluation, the issue shall proceed before the designated Division Judge (or said matter shall immediately be set for hearing before said Division Judge if a rule date has not already been scheduled) who shall hear the matter de novo as set forth in Chapter 35.

Section E. When a custody/visitation evaluation is agreed upon by the parties or is ordered by the Court pursuant to La. R.S. 9:331 after a contradictory hearing, the attorneys shall submit an order substantially in compliance with Appendix 8. The Clerk of Court shall send a certified copy of the order to the mental health professional and any unrepresented party, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the address contained on the order, simultaneously with the mailing of Notice to all counsel of record.

Section F. Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, when an evaluation is ordered by the Court pursuant to La. R.S. 9:331 in a proceeding for sole custody, or a proceeding where the designation of a domiciliary parent is at issue, or in a proceeding where supervised visitation is sought, the “mental health professional” shall be a person who is a psychiatrist or a person who possesses a doctorate degree in counseling, social work, psychology, or marriage and family counseling.

Section G. Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, when an evaluation is ordered by the Court pursuant to La. R.S. 9:331 in a proceeding for visitation (other than supervised visitation), or in a joint custody proceeding where the designation of a domiciliary parent is not an issue, the “mental health professional” shall be a person who possesses at least a masters’ degree in counseling, social work, psychology, or marriage and family counseling.

Section H. Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, when any evaluation is ordered by the Court pursuant to La. R.S. 9:331, there shall have been no prior communications between the attorneys or the parties and the mental health professional concerning the issues in the pending matter, other than communications for the sole purpose of determining the availability of the mental health professional or to identify any conflicts of interest the mental health professional may have with the parties or the children.

Section I. When an evaluation is ordered by the Court pursuant to La. R.S. 9:331 and the mental health professional has been appointed, by the attorneys and the mental health professional shall proceed as follows:

1. There shall be no ex-parte contact between the attorneys and the mental health professional. All oral contacts shall be by conference call or joint meeting. All correspondence from the mental health professional shall be directed to all attorneys of record. All correspondence to the mental health professional shall be by joint letter from all attorneys of record, or if not by joint letter, the correspondence shall be pre-approved by all attorneys of record, and shall contain the following certification by the attorney-author: “I do hereby certify that a copy of this letter and attachments, if any have been previously provided to all counsel of record and I have their express approval prior to its delivery to you.”
2. In the event the attorneys of record cannot agree whether certain information or documentation should be provided to the mental health professional, the attorney of record who desires to provide the information to the mental health professional shall arrange a conference call or joint meeting between all attorneys of record and mental health professional, so that the mental health professional can decide if the information

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would be relevant to the evaluation. Alternatively, the attorneys of record may request a status conference from the Court.

3. The attorneys shall not use the clients or the children to send written communications to the mental health professional.

4. In the event the mental health professional determines that the minor child is at risk for physical injury or may suffer serious and demonstrable psychological trauma due to the condition or circumstances of any party or any child, the mental health professional shall immediately contact the Court, and all counsel of record to advise of the matter.

5. Once the evaluation has been completed, the mental health professional shall, within a reasonable period of time, provide a short form report as set forth in Appendix 9 to the Court and all attorneys of record, to include at least the following information:

(a) The number of contacts with the parties and the children and the types of tests administered to the parties and/or the children, if any.

(b) A listing of other sources of information and a listing of any relevant information that could not be obtained.

(c) Identify any specific opinions or facts regarding the parties or the children that may impact the issues before the court.

(d) Any specific recommendation in light of the opinions or facts set forth in (c).

6. If any attorney of record requires additional information, this information shall be requested as set forth in Section I(1) above, or by deposition.

7. If the Court requires additional information, this information shall be provided by whatever means the Court deems appropriate.

5. NON SUPPORT (CIVIL)

Section A. Convening Hours and Sessions.

Unless otherwise determined by the Judge, non-support matters will be scheduled on and will convene at 9:00 a.m., excluding holidays, on such days of the week as designated by the District Judges in the Family Docket Division. The Court will continue in session as the Judge or Hearing Officer determines and the docket requires. The Court will publish and post a schedule of hearing dates at least quarterly.

Section B. Expedited Process.

Pursuant to Louisiana R.S. 46:236.5 and applicable articles of the Louisiana Children's Code, this Court implements an expedited process for the establishment, modification and enforcement of support obligations by appointment of one or more Hearing Officers to hear support and support-related matters. The Hearing Officers shall act as a finder of fact and shall make recommendations to the Court. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Hearing Officer shall render a written recommendation to the Court.

Section C. Administrative Fee for Expedited Process.

Pursuant to the authority of R.S. 46:236.5, in all IV-D Social Security Act cases presently pending and arising in the future, the Court shall assess an additional five (5%) percent to each support obligation, including existing arrearages and future arrearages, as well as ongoing support payments, beginning February 1, 1994, in accordance with the rule as adopted by the Lafayette Parish District Court on January

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10, 1994.

Unless otherwise ordered by the Court, the minutes of the Court shall reflect the amount made executory followed by the words “plus five (5%) percent thereof as a fee to fund the administrative costs of expedited process.”

Section D. Filings and Pleadings.

All pleadings and motions pertaining to Non-Support shall be filed with the Non-Support Docket Clerk in the Non-Support Division of the Family Docket.

Section E. Docketing of Cases, Development of Forms.

The Lafayette Parish District Attorney’s office, Non-Support Division, and the Louisiana Department of Social services, Support Enforcement Services (SES) shall cause to be docketed, all non-support cases, both civil and criminal, pertaining to the establishment, collection and enforcement of support orders. Such cases shall be heard by a Hearing Officer appointed by the Lafayette Parish Family Docket to preside over non-support hearings. The Lafayette Parish District Attorney shall be the prosecuting officer in these cases and shall have a representative in Court when such cases are docketed.

The Hearing Officers are authorized to develop the necessary forms in order to effectuate the prompt and efficient movement of all such cases through Court, subject to Court approval.

Section F. Use of Guidelines and Deviation from Guidelines.

The guidelines as set forth in R.S. 9:315, et seq., are to be used in any proceeding to establish or modify child support.

The Court may deviate from the guidelines if the application would not be in the best interest of the child or would be inequitable to the parties. The Court shall give specific oral or written reasons for the deviation, including a finding as to the amount of support that would have been required under a strict application of the guidelines.

Section G. Rules and Motions.

All Court proceedings must be initiated by written request either by formal motion or by formal rule. The written request must set forth in general term the relief sought by the moving party or the category of hearing which is being requested (i.e., Reduction, Contempt, etc.), as well as the names of all relevant parties and the docket number and division of the case.

All rules and motions filed on behalf of the State of Louisiana, either through the Lafayette Parish District Attorney’s Office or through Support Enforcement Services are the responsibilities of the Lafayette Parish District Attorney, Non-Support Division or Support Enforcement Services. The D.A. or legal representatives of Support Enforcement Services will represent the interest of the State at the hearings.

All rules and motions filed on behalf of the defendant/payor must be submitted in writing with an appropriate certificate of service on opposing counsel or pro se litigant.

When rules are filed alleging contempt for failure to pay support as ordered, the Regional Support Enforcement Services Office shall procure a computer printout of the defendant’s account to assist the Court in determining the proper status of the account. Both parties are to provide proof of support paid and/or received during the period of time in question.

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Section H. Required Information.

At the hearings to initially set support or modification of an existing order, both the defendant and the person seeking the order of support or modification, shall bring to Court, a copy of their most recent state and federal tax return, four recent paycheck stubs or a paycheck stub with a year-to-date amount, proof of the cost for medical insurance premiums to insure the child or children only, and proof of child expenses, or certification/evidence of state or federal benefits.

Section I. Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (UIFSA).

When the person owing the support (designated a “Respondent”) resides within the jurisdiction of the Fifteenth Judicial District Court and the petitioner resides in another state, such cases shall be designed as “Responding UIFSA.”

In Responding URESA and Responding UIFSA matters, when the Respondent is order to contribute to the support of his dependents, the Court may order him to pay an additional amount as costs not to exceed 5% of the support order.

Section J. Motion and Contradictory Hearing.

Any party may object to the Hearing Officer’s recommendations by timely filing a written objection. A written objection to the Hearing Officer’s Recommendation to the Court shall be filed within three (3) days from the date of the hearing.

The Clerk shall schedule a contradictory hearing on the court’s next available date to be held before the Judge in the appropriate Division. At the hearing on the objection, the defendant shall be entitled to a de novo review and the Judge shall accept, reject, or modify in whole or part the findings of the Hearing Officer.

Except in extraordinary circumstances, if no exception to the hearing Officer’s Recommendation is filed within three (3) days following the initial hearing before the Hearing Officer, an order shall be signed by the Judge of the appropriate Division which shall be a final Judgment and shall be appealable to the proper appellate court.

Section K. Method of Payment and Collection Procedures. (To be decided at a later date)

Section L. Change of Address of Defendant or Payee.

Both parties in a court ordered support matter are responsible for notifying the Court in writing through the Regional Support Enforcement Services Office of any change of address or place of employment.

Section M. Children.

Clients and witness shall be advised not to bring children to court, unless unusual circumstances where the children may be called as witness. Children, under the age of twelve, shall not be allowed in the courtroom without special permission of the court.

6. CANCELLATION OF HEARING OFFICER CONFERENCES

If a matter is settled prior to a scheduled Hearing Officer Conference, the attorneys of record shall notify the

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office of the Hearing Officer in writing to remove the matter from the Hearing Officer's calendar.

A copy of a motion to dismiss filed in a case prior to a scheduled Hearing Officer Conference shall be provided to the office of the appropriate Hearing Officer prior to its presentation to the Court for signature and said motion shall contain a certificate signed by the party or his counsel verifying that a copy has been sent to the opposing party or his counsel and that the office of the Hearing Officer has been supplied with a copy of the motion. Once the order is signed, the attorney(s) and any unrepresented party shall notify the office of the Hearing Officer in writing of the signing.

FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT APPENDICES

App.

1. Order.
2. Hearing Officer Conference Order.
3. Hearing Officer Conference Questionnaire.
- 3(A). Mandatory Affidavit for Child Custody/Visitation Matters (UCCJEA Compliant).
- 3(B). Mandatory Affidavit for Child Support Matters.
- 3(C). Mandatory Checklist for Spousal Support Matters.
- 3(D). Mandatory Affidavit for Arrearages and Contempt for Nonpayment of Support
4. Affidavit.
5. Order of Mediation.
6. Acceptance of Appointment and Initial Disclosure by Mediator.
7. Final Report of Mediator to the Court.
8. Order for Mental Health Evaluation.
9. Short Form Child Custody/Visitation Evaluation Report.
10. Community Partition Joint Meeting Report.
11. Objection to Hearing Officer's Recommendations and Motion and Order to Fix for Hearing.
12. Louisiana Civil Code Article 103(1) Divorce (Default Confirmation Under Code of Civil Procedure Article 1702 E Form).
13. Louisiana Civil Code Article 103(1) Divorce (Uncontested Divorce Under Code of Civil Procedure Article 969B).
14. Louisiana Civil Code Article 102 Divorce Form.
15. Joint Custody Plan.
16. Hearing Officer Recommendation for Divorce Matters.
17. Hearing Officer Recommendation for Domestic Abuse Matters.
18. Combined Detailed Descriptive Lists

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See attached Form 8.

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Parishes of Acadia,
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See attached Form 9.

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22nd Judicial District Court

Parishes of St. Tammany and Washington

Effective October 1, 2012; amended effective April 17, 2013.

A. Submission of Judgments, Orders and Rulings

All judgments, orders and rulings shall be presented first to the Judge of the Family Court Division to whom the case is assigned. If that Judge is not available, in cases that require immediate action, the judgment, order or ruling is to be submitted to the other Judge in Division K or L, unless the judgment, order or ruling is required by law to be signed by the judge who rendered it.

1. Form of Judgments, Orders and Rulings

All judgments, orders and rulings must be prepared and submitted as provided by Louisiana District Court Rule 9.5.

2. Time for Submission of Judgments, Orders and Rulings

All judgments, orders, and rulings are to be filed and submitted to the Court within 20 days of the stipulation or rendition of judgment unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

In the event the parties do not agree on the language to be contained in the judgment, then each party shall submit the transcript of the ruling at issue and their proposed judgment to the Court, as required in the Order to prepare judgment/orders (Appendix Form O).

3. Penalties for Failure to comply with Court Order to Prepare Judgments, Orders and Rulings

The court may order the parties and their attorneys, or self-represented litigants, to appear in court to show cause why they should not be held in contempt and why appropriate sanctions should not be imposed for failure to comply with the courts orders to prepare the judgment, order or ruling.

B. Communication with Court-appointed Special Masters and Experts

When a special master or expert has been appointed by the Court, there shall be no ex parte communication by the litigants or their attorneys with the special master or expert unless authorized by law or court order. All verbal communication with the special master or expert shall be by teleconference or meeting in which each party to the proceeding participates either through their attorney or as a self-represented litigant. All written communication or correspondence to the special master or expert along with any attachments thereto shall be provided promptly to all parties to the litigation or their attorneys of record.

C. Children in Family Court Proceedings

The parties are not to bring or allow their minor children to be brought to the courthouse for any family court proceeding, including Hearing Officer Conferences and court appearances, without prior court approval.

If a party plans to call a minor child as a witness in a family court proceeding, arrangements shall be made to have the child available at a location other than the courthouse, until ordered by the Judge.

Parties are prohibited from bringing children under the age of 12 years to any family court proceedings including Hearing Officer Conferences and court appearances.

Parties are allowed to bring children involved in an uncontested adoption proceeding to the court hearing.

D. Uncontested Adoptions

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Parties and attorneys of record shall be present in court and prepared to proceed at the date and time fixed for the adoption hearing. The presence of the parties at the hearing may not be waived except with approval of the Judge, and then only upon written request in the form of an affidavit, executed no more than ten (10) days prior to the hearing. The affidavit shall outline the circumstances requiring the parties absence, as well as attesting that the parties' testimony at the hearing would be substantially the same as the information provided to the State of Louisiana, Department of Children and Family Services, for preparation of the confidential report.

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**24th Judicial District
Court
Parish of Jefferson**

Adopted effective
April 1, 1999;
Revised effective
May 25, 2005

A. Collaborative Divorce Procedures

1. Pursuant to a written agreement of the parties and their attorneys, a domestic proceeding may be conducted under collaborative procedures.

2. Collaborative procedure requires the parties and their collaborative professionals to agree in writing to use their best efforts in good faith to resolve a domestic dispute without resorting to judicial intervention except to file the case, file the collaborative representation agreement, stipulations, settlement agreement, have the court approve the settlement agreement, make the legal pronouncements, and sign the orders required by law to effectuate the agreement of the parties as the court determines appropriate.

The parties' counsel may not serve as litigation counsel except to file the case, file the collaborative representation agreement, file stipulations, file the collaborative settlement agreement and to ask the court to approve the collaborative settlement agreement.

A multidisciplinary collaborative team model includes provisions for the following mandatory collaboratively trained professionals: an attorney for each party, a mental health professional "coach" for each party, a financial expert and a child's mental health professional.

A non-multidisciplinary collaborative team model includes provisions for a collaboratively trained attorney for each party, and other professionals as can be agreed upon by the parties and their counsel.

3. Upon filing an approved agreement to use collaborative procedures, all local rules of case management are suspended for the duration of the collaborative process.

4. An agreement to use collaborative procedures must include provisions:

a) for a binding non-participation agreement excluding the participating collaborative professionals from any further non-collaborative domestic representation upon termination of the collaborative proceeding; and

b) for an agreement for full and candid exchange of information between the parties, their attorneys, and all other collaborative professionals as necessary to reach a proper evaluation and settlement of the case; and

c) for an agreement to suspend court intervention in the dispute and the application of otherwise applicable court rules while the parties are using collaborative procedures; and

d) for hiring experts, as jointly agreed, to be used for the benefit of the parties; and

e) for withdrawal of all counsel involved in the case if the parties are unable to settle the dispute through the collaborative process; and

f) for withdrawal of all collaborative professionals involved in the case and an agreement that they and their work product shall be exempt from subpoena if the parties are unable to settle the dispute through the collaborative process; and

g) that anything said or any admission made for the purpose of, in the course of, or pursuant to the collaborative process is not admissible nor subject to discovery, and disclosure of the statement or admission must not be compelled in any non-criminal proceeding; and

h) that no writing prepared for the purpose of, in the course of, or pursuant to, the collaborative process is admissible to discovery, and disclosure of the writing must not be compelled in any non-criminal proceeding, except in cases where both of the parties agree to stipulate to final reports being introduced; and

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i) that all collaborative professionals have received a minimum of two days of multidisciplinary collaborative training prior to participating in the collaborative procedure; and

j) for any other provisions as agreed to by the parties consistent with a good faith effort to collaboratively settle the matter.

5. If the parties have agreed to utilize a multidisciplinary collaborative team model, the agreement must include provisions for a multidisciplinary team-based approach which includes an attorney for each party, a mental health professional "coach" for each party, a financial expert and a child's mental health professional.

6. Notwithstanding any domestic rule or law, a party is entitled to judgment on a collaborative settlement agreement if the agreement meets all statutory requirements of notice, due process and time delays, and is accompanied by a joint stipulation of fact signed by both parties and a consent judgment approved as to form and content by both parties and their counsel.

7. Upon filing of an approved agreement to use collaborative procedures and during the pendency of the collaborative process, the court agrees not to:

a) set a hearing or trial in the case;

b) impose discovery deadlines;

c) require compliance with scheduling orders; or

d) dismiss the case.

8. The parties shall notify the court at such time as the collaborative procedures result in a settlement or withdraws from the collaborative process. If settlement is reached, the court will execute all proper orders and judgments presented. If the case withdraws from the collaborative process, the case will be placed on the regular docket subject to all local rules and management.

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**27th Judicial District
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MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS IN CUSTODY/VISITATION PROCEEDINGS

Parish of St. Landry

a. At the time of the Intake Conference with the hearing officer, if either party has moved for a mental health evaluation under La. R.S. 9:331, the parties or their respective counsel shall have the opportunity to provide a verbal statement and other documentary evidence of their positions to the hearing officer with regard to the custody and/or visitation issues before the Court. The hearing officer shall then determine whether the matter is appropriate for a mental health evaluation and, if so, how the costs shall be apportioned pending the hearing on the merits of the custody and/or visitation proceedings.

Adopted effective
Jan. 1, 2000.

b. If the hearing officer refers the matter to a mental health professional for evaluation, an Order for Mental Health Evaluation shall issue at the time of the Intake Conference. A party objecting to the referral of the matter for evaluation by the hearing officer shall have three (3) court days within which to file an objection to the order. The Clerk of Court shall send a certified copy of the order to the mental health professional and any unrepresented party, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the address contained on the order, simultaneously with the mailing of the Notice to all counsel of record.

c. If the hearing officer does not refer the matter to a mental health professional for an evaluation, either party shall have three (3) court days within which to file an objection to the recommendation denying the requested order, and the matter shall be fixed on the rule docket for contradictory hearing.

d. Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, when any evaluation is ordered by the Court pursuant to La. R.S. 9:331, there shall have been no prior communications between the attorneys or the parties and the mental health professional concerning the issues in the pending matter, other than communications for the sole purpose of determining the availability of the mental health professional or to identify any conflicts of interest the mental health professional may have with the parties or the children.

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CHILDREN IN THE COURTROOM

**Parish of
Beauregard**

Clients and witnesses shall be advised not to bring children to the courthouse. When a child is to be a witness in a proceeding, the child shall not be brought to the courthouse until the Court calls for their testimony. If the child is enrolled in school, they are to remain in school until called by the Court. Children shall not be allowed in the courtroom without special permission of the Judge.

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RULE IV. DOMESTIC CASES

Parish of Caldwell

(D) These rules shall in no way limit the Court's authority to issue orders or conduct hearings in reference to preliminary matters such as alimony or child support, custody or property management pendente lite.

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**Civil District Court
Parish of Orleans**

RULE 11. DOMESTIC RELATIONS SECTIONS

Section 4. Each domestic relations judge may adopt additional rules regulating practice before such judge.

**Family Court
For the Parish of
East Baton Rouge**

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