RULES FOR LOUISIANA DISTRICT COURTS

TITLES I, II, III, IV, V, and VI

Sixth Judicial District Court

Parishes of East Carroll, Madison and Tensas

Title - I	Chapter Title - Dates of Court
Chapter - 2	None.
Rule - 2.0	
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Local Holidays in Addition to Legal Holidays Listed in La. R.S. 1:55 See 2004 Amendment to La. R.S. 1:55(E)(1)(b) which, by reference to La. R.S. 1:55(B)(1)(a), adds Mardi Gras Day and General Election Day as legal holidays.	
Title - I	Chapter Title - Judges, Facsimile Transmissions To The Court, and Technology-Related Rules
Chapter - 3	Judges are elected to Division A and Division B
Rule - 3.1	
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Divisions or Sections of Court	
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Chapter - 3	
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Duty Judges	
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Chapter - 3	
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Court-Specific Rules Concerning Judges' Use of Electronic Signatures	

Title - I

Chapter Title - Judges, Facsimile Transmissions To The Court, and Technology-Related Rules

Chapter - 3

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Court-Specific Rules Concerning Simultaneous Appearance by a Party or Witness by Audio-Visual Transmission

Title - I

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Chapter - 3

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Court-Specific Rules Concerning Recording of Protected Persons Pursuant to La. R.S. 15:440.2

Title - I

Chapter Title - Court Personnel

Chapter - 4

Rule - 4.1

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Title - I	Chapter Title - Courtroom Use, Accessibility and Security
Chapter - 5	
Rule - 5.1	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/COURTRULESAPPENDIX5.1A.PDF
Appendix - 5.1A	
Americans with Disabilities Form	
Title - I	Chapter Title - Courtroom Use, Accessibility and Security
Chapter - 5	
Rule - 5.1	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/COURTRULESAPPENDIX5.1B.PDF
Appendix - 5.1B	
Request for Interpreter and Order	
Title - I	Chapter Title - Courtroom Use, Accessibility and Security
Chapter - 5	
Rule - 5.1	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/COURTRULESAPPENDIX5.1C.PDF
Appendix - 5.1C	
Interpreter's Oath	
Title - I	Chapter Title - Indigents and In Forma Pauperis
Chapter - 8	
Rule - 8.0	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/COURTRULESAPPENDIX8.0.PDF
Appendix - 8.0	
In Forma Pauperis Affidavit	

Title - II **Chapter Title - Procedure** Chapter - 9 Cases are assigned to a division by the Judicial Administrator with odd numbered cases falling in Division A and even numbered cases falling in Division B. The court en banc may reassign cases to **Rule - 9.3** another division. Appendix - 9.3 Defaults and routine matters may be taken up in either division regardless of assignment. Allotments: Signing of Pleadings in Allotted and Non-Allotted Cases Title - II **Chapter Title - Procedure** Chapter - 9 None. **Rule - 9.4** Appendix - 9.4 Presentation of Pleadings to the Court and Filing with the Clerk of Court Title - II **Chapter Title - Procedure** Chapter - 9 **Rule - 9.6** http://www.lasc.org/rules/supreme/Louisiana_Civil_Case_Reporting_Form.pdf Appendix - 9.6 Louisiana Civil Case Reporting Title - II **Chapter Title - Procedure** Chapter - 9 Rule - 9.12 http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/COURTRULESAPPENDIX9.12A.pdf Appendix - 9.12A Notice of Limited Appearance – Family Law Cases Title - II **Chapter Title - Procedure** Chapter - 9 Rule - 9.12 http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/COURTRULESAPPENDIX9.12B.pdf Appendix - 9.12B Notice of Limited

Title - II

Chapter - 9

Rule - 9.14

Appendix - 9.14

Fixing for Trial or Hearing; Scheduling Orders; Contact with Jurors

Chapter Title - Procedure

- 1. Civil cases may be fixed for trial by written motion and order made in open court during any motion hour. Printed forms, "docket slips" shall be provided by the Clerk and are required for all fixings. The attorney moving for fixing shall be responsible for the execution of the printed form and filing the same with the Clerk of the parish where the case is to be tried.
- 2. Exceptions, motions, rules and trials in either division may also be fixed for hearing by the Judicial Administrator, Madison Parish Courthouse, 100 N. Cedar Street, Tallulah, LA 71282 at the written request of party. The attorney moving for the fixing shall execute and file the written "docket slip" form with the Clerk of Court of the parish where the case is to be tried, who shall then forward same to the Administrator if the attorney has not previously obtained a fixing date from the Administrator.

PRE TRIAL CONFERENCES CIVIL CASES; PRE TRIAL STATEMENTS; PRE TRIAL MEMORANDA

- A. Unless dispensed with by the court in advance, all parties in all contested civil cases tried by a jury shall submit to the court a pre trial statement setting out:
 - 1. A brief but comprehensive statement of the contentions of each party.
- 2. A brief list of facts which have been admitted by the pleadings or to which the parties will stipulate.
 - 3. A brief summary of contested facts.
 - 4. A brief summary of contested issues of law.
 - 5. A brief summary of any unusual evidentiary problems or rulings anticipated by any party.
- 6. A schedule of exhibits including a list and brief description of the exhibits to be offered by all parties and a statement as to whether the parties will stipulate to the authenticity of the exhibits or whether other issues of admissibility will be contested.
- 7. A list of witnesses (except those to be called for impeachment or rebuttal) including names and addresses, which each party may call, together with a brief summary of the anticipated nature, but not as to the content, of the testimony of each witness.
- 8. A statement as to whether amendments to the pleadings are anticipated, together with an explanation as to the necessity and the anticipated date of filing each such amended pleading.
- 9. A certification that settlement possibilities have been seriously explored and the status of settlement negotiations.
 - 10. A list of proposed jury instructions.

In addition to the pre trial statement, each party shall file a memorandum of law containing a brief statement of those points of law relied upon by the respective parties, including substantive, evidentiary, or procedural law. This memorandum of law should include specific citations of authorities and support for each point upon which the party intends to rely at trial. Quantum citations should be included, if applicable.

B. In cases in which a pre trial conference will be held, the pre trial statements shall be served on the court and all parties at least ten working days prior to the date set for the pre trial conference unless otherwise ordered by the court. In cases in which no pre trial conference will be held, the pre trial statements shall be served upon the court and upon all parties at least ten business days prior to the trial.

The combined pre trial statements submitted by all parties, together with additions, instructions, or comments by the trial judge will be filed as a pre trial order and will thereafter control the trial. No deviations as to issues or witnesses will be allowed at the trial except by special order of the judge after good cause is shown. Pre trial conferences shall be attended by the counsel who will be present during and actively involved in the trial of the case. Each attorney attending the pre trial conference shall bring with him a list of all previously fixed trials and other commitments for the next sixty days, for the purpose of setting a trial date. At the conclusion of the conference, the judge will fix the date for the trial of the case.

C. Failure to comply with this rule in any regard by a party or his attorney will subject these attorneys to the disciplinary and contempt powers of the Court. Except for good cause shown, no other witnesses may be called to testify nor any other documents or exhibits presented at trial except for those witnesses and those items of documentary evidence set forth in the respective pre trial statements.

D. Unless dispensed with by the court in advance, all parties in all contested civil cases tried by the court shall submit to the court a pre trial memorandum not later than ten (10) working days prior to trial. Failure to timely file briefs shall deprive that party of any right to oral argument.

The original copy of the memorandum shall be filed with the Clerk of Court in the parish where the action is pending. A courtesy copy shall be mailed to the presiding judge at that judge's office address.

The memorandum shall contain:

- 1. A statement of facts the attorney thinks the evidence will show.
- 2. In the event the attorney believes the facts will be controverted, a statement as to the controverted issues of fact.
- 3. A brief statement as to contested issues of law, and case citations for those matters which the attorney believes support his/her position in the matter.
 - 4. Citation of any other applicable cases which the attorney wishes to call to the court's attention.

Title - III

Chapter - 14

Rule - 14.0

Appendix - 14.0A

System of Random Allotment of Criminal Cases (Other than Traffic, Wildlife, and Appeals from Lower Courts)

Chapter Title - Allotment of Cases

Allotment of Criminal Cases

All criminal cases, including misdemeanors, traffic offenses and wildlife violations shall be allotted to Division A or B according to the date the offense charged is alleged to have been committed. Offenses alleged to have been committed in January, March, May, July, September and November of each year shall be assigned to Division A. Offenses alleged to have been committed in February, April, June, August, October and December of each year shall be assigned to Division B. The Clerk of Court shall make the allotment immediately upon the filing of the bill of indictment or information.

If the date of the offense is not precisely determinable or if a crime or crimes are alleged to have been committed on multiple dates the earliest date alleged or estimated in the charging instrument shall govern allotment.

If a defendant has a felony case pending and previously allotted, any new felony charge for that defendant shall be allotted to the division to which the pending felony was allotted, all in accordance with Rule 14.1 of the Rules for Criminal Court Proceedings in District Courts.

Criminal cases pending on the effective date of this rule (January 1, 2010) shall remain allotted to either Division A or Division B in accordance with the former rule, i.e. odd numbered cases to Division A and even numbered cases to Division B, provided, however that multiple cases against one defendant shall be allocated according to the first docket number and cases with multiple co-defendants shall be allocated to the same division in accordance with the first docket number of the first charged co-defendant.

Any criminal case that has been allotted may be transferred as provided in Rule 14.3 of the Rules for Criminal Proceedings in District Courts.

Arraignments and preliminary motions, including motions for bail and preliminary examinations may be held in either division, regardless of allotment.

Title - III

Chapter Title - Allotment of Cases

Chapter - 14

See Appendix 14.0A.

Rule - 14.0

Appendix - 14.0B

Random Allotment Traffic Offenses, Wildlife Offenses, and Appeals from Courts of Title - III

Chapter Title - Allotment of Cases

number before being taken up in court.

Chapter - 14

Adopts Rule 14.1.

Rule - 14.1

Appendix - 14.1

Allotment - Defendant with More than One Felony Case

Title - III

Chapter Title - Assignment of Cases and Preliminary Motions

Chapter - 15

A pre-trial conference or status conference in criminal cases may be requested by counsel for either party by written request to the Judicial Administrator or presiding judge.

Rule - 15.0

Appendix - 15.0

All criminal cases must be filed with the Clerk of Court at least two days before being taken up in court. The court may waive this rule in its discretion, but all (civil and criminal) must have a docket

Assignment of Cases, Filing of Motions, Pre-Trial and Status

Conferences

Title - III

Chapter Title - Assignment of Cases and Preliminary Motions

Chapter - 15

The appearance of arrested persons pursuant to C.Cr.P. Art. 230.1 may be made in person, by telephone or by audio-video electronic equipment, at the discretion of the presiding judge.

Rule - 15.1

Appendix - 15.1

Appointment of Counsel

Amended April 20, 2010, effective June 1, 2010.

When an appearance is by telephone or audio-video electronic equipment the custodian of the prisoner shall make notation on a form approved by the court of the date and time of the appearance, the division of the court before whom the appearance is made and the name of the officer or deputy of the custodian verifying the conversation. In the event the court makes an initial determination that the defendant is indigent the court shall appoint the Office of Public Defender to represent the defendant. The original of the appearance/appointment form shall be delivered by the custodian to the Clerk of Court for filing in the record and notation in the minutes of court. A true copy shall be provided by the Clerk of Court to the District Attorney and to the Office of Public Defender. The appointing judge shall provide a Notice of Appointment of Counsel by facsimile to the Office of District Public Defender immediately after making the appointment.

Title - III

Chapter Title - Assignment of Cases and Preliminary Motions

Chapter - 15

None.

Rule - 15.2

Appendix - 15.2

Alternative Method of Service on District Attorney

Title - III

Chapter Title - Arraignment and Pleas

Chapter - 18

Rule - 18.0

http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/COURTRULESAPPENDIX18.0.PDF

Appendix - 18.0

Waiver of Formal Arraignment and Pleas

Title - III Chapter Title - Simultaneous Peremptory Challenges

Chapter - 19

Rule - 19.0

Appendix - 19.0

Simultaneous Peremptory Challenges Pursuant to Code of Criminal Procedure Article 788, the court adopts this rule to provide for a system of simultaneous exercise of peremptory challenges. At the conclusion of the examination of prospective jurors as provided in Article 786, those prospective jurors who have not been excused pursuant to a challenge for cause shall be tendered to the state and the defendant(s) for simultaneous exercise of peremptory challenge in writing in a manner to be determined by the court.

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Application of Rules

Chapter - 22

Rule - 22.0

Appendix - 22.0

Courts That Have Created Specialized Divisions or Sections of Court That Handle Family Law Proceedings

Title - IV Chapter Title - Notice and Exchange of Information

Chapter - 23

Rule - 23.0

http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title IV/APPENDIX 23.0A.pdf

Appendix - 23.0A

Courts Requiring the Pre-Hearing Filing, Exchange, or Submission of a Family Law Affidavit and/or Joint Custody Implementation Plan; Courts That May Issue Pre-Hearing Orders

Title - IV	Chapter Title - Notice and Exchange of Information
Chapter - 23	
Rule - 23.0	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_23.0B.pdf
Appendix - 23.0B	
Family Law Affidavit (form)	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Notice and Exchange of Information
Chapter - 23	
Rule - 23.0	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_23.0C.pdf
Appendix - 23.0C	
Hearing Information Order (form)	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Notice and Exchange of Information
Chapter - 23	
Rule - 23.0	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_23.0D.pdf
Appendix - 23.0D	
Hearing Officer Conference and Information Order (form)	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Notice and Exchange of Information
Chapter - 23	
Rule - 23.0	
Appendix - 23.0E	
Courts That Require Use of a Specific Hearing Information Order or Hearing Officer Conference and Information Order	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Notice and Exchange of Information
Chapter - 23	
Rule - 23.0	
Appendix - 23.0F	

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Cases

Court-Specific Rules Concerning Allotment of

Title - IV **Chapter Title - Notice and Exchange of Information** Chapter - 23 Rule - 23.1 Appendix - 23.1 Court-Specific Rules Concerning Pre-Trial Orders in Non-**Community Property** Cases Title - IV **Chapter Title - Procedure** Chapter - 24 Rule - 24.0 Appendix - 24.0 Court-Specific Rules Concerning Form of Pleadings and Caption Requirements in Family Law Proceedings Title - IV **Chapter Title - Procedure** Chapter - 24 **Rule - 24.1** Appendix - 24.1 Court-Specific Rules Concerning Prior or Multiple Filing of Pleadings Title - IV **Chapter Title - Procedure** Chapter - 24 **Rule - 24.2**

Title - IV **Chapter Title - Procedure** Chapter - 24 Rule - 24.3 Appendix - 24.3 Court-Specific Rules Concerning Walk-Through of Pleadings Title - IV **Chapter Title - Procedure** Chapter - 24 **Rule - 24.4** Appendix - 24.4 Court-Specific Rules Concerning Appointment of Attorneys To Represent Absentee

Title - IV

Defendants

Chapter Title - Procedure

Chapter - 24

Rule - 24.5

Appendix - 24.5

Court-Specific Rules Concerning Extensions of Time To Plead in Family Law Proceedings

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Procedure

Chapter - 24

Rule - 24.6

Appendix - 24.6

Court-Specific Rules Restricting the Preparation of Answers or Other Pleadings; Procedure When a Self-Represented Party Has Filed an Answer

Title - IV	Chapter Title - Procedure
Chapter - 24	
Rule - 24.7	
Appendix - 24.7A	
Court-Specific Rules Concerning Scheduling Hearings and Trials	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Procedure
Chapter - 24	
Rule - 24.7	
Appendix - 24.7B	
Court-Specific Rules Concerning Order of Business	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Procedure
Chapter - 24	
Rule - 24.8	
Appendix - 24.8A	
Court-Specific Rules Concerning Continuances in Family Law Proceedings	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Procedure
Chapter - 24	
Rule - 24.8	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_24.8B.pdf
Appendix - 24.8B	
Uncontested Motion To Continue (form)	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Procedure
Chapter - 24	
Rule - 24.8	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_24.8C.pdf
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Chapter Title - Procedure

Chapter - 24

Rule - 24.9

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Court-Specific Rules Concerning Discovery

Chapter Title - Procedure

Title - IV

Chapter - 24

Rule - 24.10

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Court-Specific Rules Concerning Setting of Pre-Trial Conferences

Title - IV

Chapter - 24

Rule - 24.11

Appendix - 24.11

Court-Specific Rules Concerning Hearings in Chambers in Family Law Proceedings Pursuant to La. R.S. 9:302 **Chapter Title - Procedure**

A. In addition to any hearing otherwise authorized by law to be held in chambers, the court, at its discretion may, with mutual consent of the parties, hold hearings in divorce proceedings in chambers. Such hearings shall include contested and uncontested proceedings and rules for spousal support, child support, visitation, injunctions, or other matters provisional and incidental to separation and divorce proceedings.

- B. A motion for hearing in chambers pursuant to this Rule may be made by either party or upon the court's own motion.
- C. Except for being closed to the public, the hearings held in chambers pursuant to this Rule shall be conducted in the same manner as if taking place in open court. The minute clerk and court reporter shall be present if necessary to perform the duties provided by law.

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Procedure

Chapter - 24

Rule - 24.12

Appendix - 24.12

Court-Specific Rules Concerning the Presence of Children in the Courtroom and/or Hearing Officer Title - IV

Chapter Title - Procedure

Chapter - 24

Rule - 24.13

Appendix - 24.13

Court-Specific Rules Concerning Mental Health Evaluations in Family Law Proceedings

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Procedure

Chapter - 24

Rule - 24.14

Appendix - 24.14

Court-Specific Rules Concerning Proof of Uncontested Paternity by Affidavit Pursuant to La. R.S. 9:572

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Judgments and Stipulations

Chapter - 25

Rule - 25.0

Appendix - 25.0

Court-Specific Rules on Preparation and Submission of Judgments in Family Law Proceedings

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Judgments and Stipulations

Chapter - 25

Rule - 25.1

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Court-Specific Rules on Income Assignment Orders

Title - IV **Chapter Title - Domestic Violence Protective Orders** Chapter - 26 Rule - 26.0 http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_26.0A.pdf Appendix - 26.0A Louisiana Protective Order Registry Index of Uniform Abuse Preventive Order Forms (Forms 1 through 23 Mandated by La. R.S. 46:2136.2(C)) Title - IV **Chapter Title - Domestic Violence Protective Orders** Chapter - 26 Rule - 26.0 http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_26.0B.pdf Appendix - 26.0B Louisiana Protective Order Registry Courtesy Forms Index: Instructions, Petitions, Supplemental Forms, etc. Title - IV Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 102 Chapter - 27 Rule - 27.0 http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_27.0A.pdf Appendix - 27.0A La. C.C. art. 102 Divorce Checklist (form) Title - IV Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 102 Chapter - 27 Rule - 27.0 Appendix - 27.0B

Courts That Require the Filing of a La. C.C. art. 102 Divorce Checklist, the Entire Record, and/or Other Documentation in a La. C.C. art. 102

Divorce

Title - IV	Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 102
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Chapter - 27	
Rule - 27.0	
Appendix - 27.0C	
Court-Specific Rules Concerning Allowance of Divorce by Affidavit in a La. C.C. art. 102 Divorce	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 102
Chapter - 27	
Rule - 27.1	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_27.1A.pdf
Appendix - 27.1A	
Waiver of Service and Citation of an Original Petition in a La. C.C. art. 102 Divorce Proceeding (form)	
Title - IV Chapter - 27	Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 102
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Rule - 27.1 Appendix - 27.1B	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_27.1B.pdf
Waiver of Service and Citation of Rule To Show Cause in a La. C.C. art. 102 Divorce (form)	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 102
Chapter - 27	
Rule - 27.1	
Appendix - 27.1C	
Courts That Require Use of a Specific Waiver of Service and Citation Form in a La. C.C. art.	

102 Divorce

Title - IV	Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 103
Chapter - 28	
Rule - 28.0	
Appendix - 28.0	
Court-Specific Rules Concerning Default Judgments	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 103
Chapter - 28	
Rule - 28.1	
Appendix - 28.1A	
Court-Specific Rules Concerning Allowance of Divorce by Affidavit in a La. C.C. art. 103 Divorce Under La. Code Civ. Proc. art. 1702(E)	
Title - IV Chapter - 28	Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 103
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Rule - 28.1 Appendix - 28.1B	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_28.1B.pdf
La. C.C.P. art. 1702(E) Divorce Checklist (form)	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 103
Chapter - 28	
Rule - 28.1	
Appendix - 28.1C	
Courts That Require the Filing of a La. C.C.P. art. 1702(E) Divorce Checklist	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 103
Chapter - 28	

Appendix - 28.2A

Courts That Require the Filing of a La. C.C.P. art. 969(B) Divorce Checklist

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 103

Chapter - 28

Rule - 28.2

http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_28.2B.pdf

Appendix - 28.2B

La. C.C.P. art. 969(B) Divorce Checklist (form)

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 103

Chapter - 28

Rule - 28.3

http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_28.3A.pdf

Appendix - 28.3A

Acceptance of Waiver and Waiver of Service and Citation and Delays in a La. C.C. art. 103 Divorce (form)

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Divorces Pursuant to La. Civ. Code Article 103

Chapter - 28

Rule - 28.3

Appendix - 28.3B

Courts That Require a Specific Form for Waiver of Service and Citation in a La. C.C. art. 103 Divorce

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Custody and Visitation Orders

Chapter - 29

Rule - 29.0

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Appendix - 29.0A

Application for Ex Parte Temporary Custody Order – Affidavit of Title - IV

Chapter Title - Custody and Visitation Orders

Chapter - 29

Rule - 29.0

http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_29.0B.pdf

Appendix - 29.0B

Application for Ex Parte Temporary Custody Order –Certification by Applicant's Attorney in Compliance with La. C.C.P. art. 3945(B) (form)

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Custody and Visitation Orders

Chapter - 29

Rule - 29.0

Appendix - 29.0C

Court-Specific Rules Concerning Ex Parte Custody Orders All petitions seeking an ex parte order for provisional custody of children shall be accompanied by a separate affidavit of the party seeking provisional custody (similar to the forms in Appendices 29.0A and 29.0B), setting forth all the facts surrounding when, where, how, and under what circumstances the child or children have been in the petitioner's physical custody and the reasons why the petitioner is requesting an ex parte order for provisional custody.

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Custody and Visitation Orders

Chapter - 29

Rule - 29.1

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Court-Specific Rules Concerning Temporary Custody Orders

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Custody and Visitation Orders

Chapter - 29

Rule - 29.2

http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_29.2A.pdf

Appendix - 29.2A

Joint Custody Plan (With Domiciliary Parent) (form)

Title - IV	Chapter Title - Custody and Visitation Orders
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Rule - 29.2	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_29.2B.pdf
Appendix - 29.2B	
Joint Custody Plan (Without Domiciliary Parent) (form)	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Custody and Visitation Orders
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Appendix - 29.3	
Court-Specific Rules Concerning Parenting Classes	
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Rule - 29.4	
Appendix - 29.4	
Court-Specific Rules Concerning Mediation	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Custody and Visitation Orders
Chapter - 29	
Rule - 29.5	http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_29.5.pdf
Appendix - 29.5	
Form Letter To Register a Foreign or Out-of-State Custody Order (form)	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Custody and Visitation Orders
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Appendix - 29.6	
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Title - IV

Chapter Title - Partition of Community Property

Chapter - 30

Rule - 30.0

http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_30.0A.pdf

Appendix - 30.0A

Sworn Detailed Descriptive List (form)

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Partition of Community Property

Chapter - 30

Rule - 30.0

http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_30.0B.pdf

Appendix - 30.0B

Sample, Completed Sworn Detailed Descriptive List (form)

Title - IV

Chapter Title - Partition of Community Property

Chapter - 30

Rule - 30.0

http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_30.0C.pdf

Appendix - 30.0C

Joint Detailed

Descriptive List (form)

Title - IV **Chapter Title - Partition of Community Property**

Chapter - 30

Rule - 30.0

http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/Title_IV/APPENDIX_30.0D.pdf

Chapter Title - Partition of Community Property

Appendix - 30.0D

Sample, Completed Joint **Detailed Descriptive List**

(form)

Chapter - 30

Title - IV

Rule - 30.0	
Appendix - 30.0E	
Court-Specific Rules Concerning Detailed Descriptive Lists	
Title - IV	Chapter Title - Partition of Community Property
Chapter - 30	
Rule - 30.1	
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Court-Specific Rules on Hearing Officers and Domestic Commissioners

Amended effective October 1, 2023.

Chapter Title - Use of Hearing Officers and Domestic Commissioners for Family Law Proceedings

USE OF HEARING OFFICERS

A. Pursuant to LSA-R.S. 46:236.5 and applicable articles of the Louisiana Children's Code, this Court hereby implements an expedited process for the establishment, modification and enforcement of support obligations by authorizing and directing one or more Hearing Officers appointed by the Court en banc, to hear support and support related matters, including contested and uncontested paternity cases, and to hire and employ any and all such other personnel deemed necessary to implement this procedure; all of whom shall serve at the pleasure of the Court.

B. Such Hearing Officer(s) shall have authority to perform and shall perform any and all duties assigned to him, or her, or them by a judge designated by the Court which are consistent with LSA-R.S. 46:236.5 as they presently exist, or as they may be, from time to time, supplemented or amended

in the future.

- C. The Court shall hold a hearing on a matter that has been the subject of a Hearing Officer's hearing upon the filing of a motion by either party. Such motion shall be filed within three (3) days from the date of the hearing. If no request for a hearing before a judge is filed, an order shall be signed by the Judge which shall be a final judgment and be appealable to the appropriate court of appeal.
- D. The Court shall fix the salaries of the Hearing Officer(s) and any such other personnel hired and employed to implement this procedure.

TITLE IV-D CASES

- A. In all Title IV-D AFDC (Social Security Act) cases presently pending and arising in the future, each support payment, including existing arrearages and future arrearages, as well as ongoing support payments, a fee of five percent (5%) is assessed. All payors shall make any and all payments for support, including the five percent (5%) amount, to the "6th JDC SE Fund". Such payments shall be made only by money order or certified check and shall be either delivered directly to the Court Administrator's Office at the Courthouse in Tallulah, Louisiana or mailed to "6th JDC SE Fund", Post Office Box 1271, Tallulah, Louisiana 71284-1271.
- B. In all Title IV-D non-AFDC (Social Security Act) cases, the Court hereby assesses a fee of five percent (5%) on all support obligations made executory on or after January 1, 1991, as a result of a hearing on a rule to enforce support. Such fee, together with any amount ordered to be paid toward arrearages, shall be paid only by a money order or certified check made payable to the "6th JDC SE Fund," and shall be either hand delivered to the Court Administrator at the Madison Parish Courthouse, Tallulah, Louisiana, or mailed to "6th JDC SE Fund", Post Office Box 1271, Tallulah, Louisiana 71284 -1271.

DOMESTIC ABUSE PETITIONS, TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDERS, PROTECTIVE ORDERS AND USE OF HEARING OFFICERS

- 1. Pursuant to LSA R.S. 46:2135 and R.S. 46:236.5, Title 9 of the Louisiana Children's Code and the Louisiana Code of Civil Procedure, the Court hereby authorizes the Hearing Officer to hear and dispose of all matters pertaining to Protective Orders in East Carroll, Madison and Tensas Parishes.
- 2. Upon the filing of any petition alleging domestic abuse under Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, the Clerk of Court shall file and assign the case pursuant to Appendix 9.3 allotment of civil proceedings. The Clerk shall then present the petition to the Hearing Officer who will then review the petition and grant or deny a temporary restraining order. Upon the granting of a temporary restraining order, the matter shall be fixed for hearing by the Hearing Officer on the next available date currently designated as child support court in each respective parish or at a date to be fixed by the hearing officer.
- 3. The Hearing Officer shall take testimony, make findings of fact, and render a decision. If no appeal is requested, the Hearing Officer shall approve and sign the appropriate Uniform Abuse Prevention Order and forward it to the Clerk of Court without delay. The Clerk of Court shall transmit the Uniform Abuse Prevention Order to the central registry by facsimile transmission as expeditiously as possible, but no later than the end of the next business day after the order is filed with the Clerk of Court.
- 4. Should any party request an appeal to the District Court, such appeal must be perfected according to the procedures set forth in this Appendix and Rule 34.2 and the parties shall be directed to the District Judge of the particular allotted division, where the appeal shall be heard as expeditiously as possible but no later than the next regularly scheduled civil motion day following the request for an appeal.
- 5. It is intended that the Hearing Officer shall fully exercise all powers and authority granted by law in connection with the Protective Orders, support, and support-related matters and nothing shall be construed to limit those statutory powers.

Rule - 33.0

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Court-Specific Rules Concerning Objections to Recommendations of Hearing Officers in Title IV-D Matters

Title - IV

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Court-Specific Rules Concerning Hearing Officer Procedures for Domestic Violence Protective Orders

Title - IV

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Chapter - 34

Rule - 34.2

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Court-Specific Rules Concerning Objections to Rulings of Hearing Officer or Domestic Commissioner; Time for Filing

Title - IV

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Chapter - 35

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Court-Specific Rules Concerning Filing of Pleadings and Required Exhibits in Adoption Proceedings

Title - VI

Chapter Title - Litigation Filed by Inmates

Chapter - 60

Rule - 60.2

http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/COURTRULESAPPENDIX60.2.PDF

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Form IJR-1: Petition for Judicial Review

Title - VI

Chapter Title - Litigation Filed by Inmates

Chapter - 60

Rule - 60.4

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Appendix - 60.4

Pro Se Prisoner-Plaintiff's Portion of the

Pre-Trial Order

Title - VI **Chapter Title - Litigation Filed by Inmates**

Chapter - 60

Rule - 60.7

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Appendix - 60.7A

Application To Proceed In Forma Pauperis Filed in District Court

Title - VI **Chapter Title - Litigation Filed by Inmates**

Chapter - 60

Rule - 60.7 http://www.lasc.org/rules/dist.ct/COURTRULESAPPENDIX60.7B.PDF

Appendix - 60.7B

Motion To Proceed In Forma Pauperis on Appeals/Writs

Title - VI

Chapter Title - Litigation Filed by Inmates

Chapter - 60

Rule - 60.8

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Appeal of Parole Revocation