



DEPENDENCY COURT ONLY HEARING EMERGENCY MATTERS

The dependency court will only hear:

- 72 Hour Shelter Care Hearings by phone if discovery exchanged electronically or in person if there are discovery issues
- Emergency Motions by phone for issues immediately critical to child safety and health
- Emergency Extended Foster Care and Special Immigrant Juvenile Status cases by electronic submission if youth will be aging out prior to April 24, 2020

A calendar call will be held at 8:30 am. Connection information is as follows:

- Kent calendar 206-263-8114 Conference Pin 8968706#
- Seattle calendar 206-263-8114 Conference Pin 5167911#

A protocol for electronic signature of pick-up orders from DCYF is in place.

CONTINUED HEARINGS

The following non-emergency matters are continued until after April 24, 2020:

- 30 Day Shelter Care Hearings
- Pretrial Hearings
- Motions
- Default Hearings
- Disposition Hearings
- Initial Progress Review Hearings
- Permanency Planning Hearings
- Review Hearings (includes EFC, Legally Free, SIJS, VYG)
- Preliminary Hearings

TOP Hearings are stricken and need to be renoted. Motions for Publication will not be addressed until after April 24, 2020.

AGREED ORDERS

Some agreed orders will be accepted by the court, such as Orders of Dependency with Waiver, Disposition Orders, Dismissal Orders, placement changes, etc. The court will not accept agreed orders for Initial Progress Reviews, Permanency Planning Hearings, Review Hearings or continuances for trials or hearings.

Agreed Orders should be sent as follows:

- Kent Orders should be sent to messitt.court@kingcounty.gov and will be reviewed on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Seattle Orders should be sent to both berns.court@kingcounty.gov and wiggs-martin.court@kingcounty.gov and will be reviewed on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

AGREED ADOPTION FINALIZATION

Contact the King County Adoption Paralegal at scadoptionparalegal@kingcounty.gov for instructions and documentation needed to have the lead dependency judge finalize adoption by electronic submission.

FAMILY TREATMENT COURT

Calendars continue to be suspended. Initial Progress Review Hearings and Permanency Planning Hearings are continued. Emergency motions will be heard telephonically and parties setting an emergency motion submit their documents via the FTC distribution list. Proposed orders to be submitted in Word format. Any signed orders will be distributed to the FTC distribution list.