



FORTY-FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MICHIGAN

James Noecker, Circuit Judge

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Administrative Order 2004- 01

PLAN FOR REMOTE HEARINGS ON SUPPORT AND PARENTING TIME ENFORCEMENT ACT BENCH WARRANTS

IT IS ORDERED:

This administrative order is issued in accordance with Michigan Court Rule 3.221. The purpose of this order is to coordinate communication between circuits to facilitate the presentation of evidence by the friend of the court in a circuit that issued a bench warrant to a court in the circuit in which the arrested party is being held.


1. When an individual is arrested in another circuit pursuant to a bench warrant issued by this court, and the bond review hearing will be conducted by a hearing officer in the other circuit, the friend of the court in this circuit may present evidence by any of the following methods:
 - a. Telephonic communications.
 - b. Facsimile equipment.
 - c. E-mail may be used to transmit documentary evidence. Documents will be generated in Word.
 - d. The MiCSES may be used to transmit information concerning the case.
2. When an individual is arrested in this circuit pursuant to a bench warrant issued by another circuit court and the bond review hearing will be held in this circuit, the judge or hearing officer in this circuit will receive evidence by any of the following methods:
 - a. Telephonic communications.
 - b. Fascimile equipment.

- c. E-mail may be used to receive documentary evidence. Documents will be opened in Word.
 - d. Information generated locally from the MiCSES.
3. Pursuant to MRE 1101, the evidence provided pursuant to subsection 2 is admissible in bond proceedings.
 4. An officer of the court acting in another circuit can make arrangements for hearings covered by this order by contacting Jan Birkhold, Clerk or her successor at (269) 467-5570.
 5. The friend of the court shall cooperate with officials of other circuits to implement this order.

Effective Date: April 1, 2004

Date: March 18, 2004

Chief Judge Signature: _____



William D. Welty
Chief Judge Pro Tem