## **HOUSE BILL No. 4567**

April 10, 1989, Introduced by Reps. Terrell, DeMars, Wallace, Watkins, Saunders, Kilpatrick, Varga, Harrison, Joe Young, Sr., Joe Young, Jr., Gire, Leland, Perry Bullard, Profit, Stallworth, Honigman, Webb, Scott, Hunter, Bennane, Power, Sikkema, Martin, Bandstra, Bennett, Clack and Jondahl and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend sections 601, 666, 667, 834, 841, 848, 852, 857, 859, 861, 867, 874, and 876 of Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of 1961, entitled as amended "Revised judicature act of 1961," section 859 as amended by Act No. 308 of the Public Acts of 1986 and section 861 as amended by Act No. 318 of the Public Acts of 1982, being sections 600.601, 600.666, 600.667, 600.834, 600.841, 600.848, 600.852, 600.857, 600.859, 600.861, 600.867, 600.874, and 600.876 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; to add chapters 92, 93, 94, 95, and 96; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Section 1. Sections 601, 666, 667, 834, 841, 848, 852, 857,
2 859, 861, 867, 874, and 876 of Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of
3 1961, section 859 as amended by Act No. 308 of the Public Acts of

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- 1 1986 and section 861 as amended by Act No. 318 of the Public Acts
- 2 of 1982, being sections 600.601, 600.666, 600.667, 600.834,
- 3 600.841, 600.848, 600.852, 600.857, 600.859, 600.861, 600.867,
- 4 600.874, and 600.876 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; are amended
- 5 and chapters 92, 93, 94, 95, and 96 are added to read as
- 6 follows:
- 7 Sec. 601. Circuit courts have EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN
- 8 SECTION 9231, THE CIRCUIT COURT HAS the power and jurisdiction:
- 9 (A) -(+) possessed POSSESSED by courts of record at the
- 10 common law, as altered by the STATE constitution -and OF 1963,
- 11 THE laws of this state, and the rules of the supreme court. -
- 12 and
- 13 (B) -(2) possessed POSSESSED by courts and judges in chan-
- 14 cery in England on March 1, 1847, as altered by the STATE consti-
- 15 tution -and OF 1963, THE laws of this state, and the rules of
- 16 the supreme court. , and
- (C) (3) prescribed PRESCRIBED by rule THE RULES of the
- 18 supreme court.
- 19 Sec. 666. The clerk of each -circuit and probate DOMESTIC
- 20 RELATIONS court shall maintain a registry in which ALL OF THE
- 21 FOLLOWING shall be entered: the following:
- 22 (a) Certified copies of custody decrees or judgments of
- 23 other states received for filing.
- 24 (b) Communications as to the pendency of custody proceedings
- 25 in other states.
- 26 (c) Communications concerning a finding of inconvenient
- 27 forum by a court of another state.

- 1 (d) Other communications or documents concerning custody
- 2 proceedings in another state which may affect the jurisdiction of
- 3 a court of this state or the disposition to be made by it in a
- 4 custody proceeding.
- 5 Sec. 667. The clerk of the circuit or probate EACH DOMES-
- 6 TIC RELATIONS court of this state, at the request of the court of
- 7 another state or at the request of a person who is affected by,
- 8 or has a legitimate interest in, a custody decree or judgment,
- 9 shall certify and forward a copy of the decree or judgment to
- 10 that court or person.
- 11 Sec. 834. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), a pro-
- 12 bate register or deputy probate register is competent to exercise
- 13 any of the following powers in an uncontested matter or hearing
- 14 when authorized by general order of the probate judge or chief
- 15 probate judge of the county in which the probate register or
- 16 deputy probate register was appointed:
- 17 (a) Determine whether the petitioner or the petitioner's
- 18 attorney has complied with the requirements of law and supreme
- 19 court rules.
- 20 (b) Take acknowledgments.
- 21 (c) Administer oaths.
- (d) Set hearings.
- (e) Sign notices, citations, and subpoenas.
- 24 (f) Take testimony required by law or supreme court rules in
- 25 ALL OF the following:
- 26 (i) Appointment of a fiduciary of an estate of a deceased or
- 27 minor.

- 1 (ii) Admission to probate of a will, codicil, or other
- 2 testamentary instrument.
- 3 (iii) Change of name of persons.
- 4 (iii) -(iv) Determination of heirs.
- 5 (iv)  $\frac{(v)}{(v)}$  Sale, mortgage, or lease of property.
- 6 (v) -(vi) Assignment of residue of an estate or any part
- 7 -thereof OF THE RESIDUE OF AN ESTATE.
- 8 (vi)  $\overline{(vii)}$  Setting and approval of bonds.
- 9 (vii)  $\frac{(viii)}{}$  Removal of fiduciaries.
- 10 (ix) Issuing of a license to marry, if the issuance of the
- 11 license is authorized under section 1 of Act No. 180 of the
- 12 Public Acts of 1897, as amended, being section 551.201 of the
- 13 Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 14 (2) A probate register or deputy probate register may not
- 15 enter a judgment. A probate register or deputy probate register
- 16 may not exercise any power provided in subsection (+) if the
- 17 matter or hearing is:
- 18 (a) For a commitment to, or incarceration in, an institution
- 19 or facility.
- 20 (b) For appointment of a guardian of a legally incapacitated
- 21 person or the appointment of a conservator for a reason other
- 22 than minority.
- 23 (c) For or involves a developmentally disabled person.
- 24 (3) An order made by a probate register or deputy probate
- 25 register shall be made over the name of the probate judge for
- 26 whom the order is made, and the probate register or deputy
- 27 probate register shall place his or her signature under the name

- 1 of the judge. An act done or order made by the probate register
- 2 or deputy probate register authorized under this section shall
- 3 have the same validity, force, and effect as though done or made
- 4 by the PROBATE judge.
- 5 (4) Upon the oral or written request of an interested party
- 6 made before commencement or during the hearing of the proceeding,
- 7 the proceeding shall be taken immediately before the judge for
- 8 trial or hearing of the issues.
- 9 Sec. 841. The probate court has jurisdiction and power as
- 10 follows:
- (a) As conferred upon it under the revised probate code, ACT
- 12 NO. 642 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, BEING SECTIONS
- 13 700.1 TO 700.993 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 14 (b) As conferred upon it under chapters 10, 11 and 12a of
- 15 Act No. 288 of the Public Acts of 1939, as amended, being sec-
- 16 tions 710.21 to 712a.28 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 17 (c) as conferred upon it under Act No. 258 of the Public
- 18 Acts of 1974, as amended, being sections 330:1001 to 330:2106 of
- 19 the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 20 (B) -(d) As conferred upon it under this act.
- 21 (C) (e) As conferred upon it pursuant to any other law or
- 22 compact.
- 23 Sec. 848. (1) Upon petition, where justice requires, and
- 24 after due notice is given to all parties in interest, the probate
- 25 court may grant rehearings and modify and set aside orders, sen-
- 26 tences, or judgments rendered in the court.

- 1 (2) The probate court shall make and enter an order with
- 2 respect to the original hearing or rehearing of a contested
- 3 matter within 30 days after the termination of the hearing or
- 4 rehearing.
- 5 -(3) This section shall not apply to a proceeding under
- 6 chapter 10 of Act No. 288 of the Public Acts of 1939, as
- 7 amended.
- 8 Sec. 852. (1) A petition, inventory, accounting, proof of
- 9 claim, or proof of service filed with the probate court need not
- 10 be verified, acknowledged, or made on oath if the person signing
- 11 the instrument states immediately above the date and -his- THE
- 12 PERSON'S signature: "I declare under the penalties of perjury
- 13 that this was examined by me and that the contents
- 14 thereof are true to the best of my information, knowledge, and
- 15 belief." This provision shall not apply to nominations of
- 16 guardians by minors.
- 17 (2) A person who falsely executes and files with the probate
- 18 court as provided in this section an instrument containing a dec-
- 19 laration under the penalty of perjury may be found guilty of con-
- 20 tempt of court and punished -therefor FOR PERJURY and, -shall-
- 21 in addition, SHALL be subject to the same responsibilities,
- 22 liabilities, and penalties as -he- THE PERSON would have been if
- 23 -he THE PERSON had executed the instrument under oath.
- Sec. 857. (1) If a party to a proceeding in the probate
- 25 court would have had a right before January 1, 1971, to demand a
- 26 jury to determine a particular issue of fact in the circuit court
- 27 upon a de novo appeal from that proceeding to the circuit court,

- 1 that party, shall on and after January 1, 1971 AFTER
- 2 DECEMBER 31, 1970, SHALL have the right to demand a jury to
- 3 determine that issue of fact in the probate court proceeding.
- 4 (2) When a jury is demanded pursuant to law in a proceeding
- 5 in the probate court, the jury shall be summoned and selected in
- 6 accordance with -sections 1301 to 1354 CHAPTER 13. With respect
- 7 to jurors, any AN examination, challenge, replacement, oath, or
- 8 other practice which is not governed by the provisions of
- 9 -sections +30+ to +354- CHAPTER 13 shall be governed by rules
- 10 adopted by the supreme court.
- 11 (3) If a jury trial is demanded in any A proceeding by a
- 12 party having a right to have a jury determine an issue, the
- 13 demanding party shall pay into court a jury fee in an amount
- 14 equal to the jury fee required in the circuit court in the same
- 15 county but not to exceed \$30.00, which fee shall be paid to the
- 16 county treasurer for deposit in the general fund of the county.
- 17 A jury fee shall not be required from a party demanding a jury
- 18 trial in the juvenile division of the probate court or under Act
- 19 No. 258 of the Public Acts of 1974, as amended, being
- 20 sections 330.1001 to 330.2106 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 21 Sec. 859. (1) The following testimony before a probate
- 22 judge shall be taken by an official court reporter or by an offi-
- 23 cial court recorder on a recording device approved by the state
- 24 court administrator:
- 25 (a) Testimony in contested -matters MATTER.

- 1 (b) Testimony in matters pertaining to the admission to a
- 2 hospital or other facility for mentally ill or developmentally
- 3 disabled persons.
- 4 (B) (c) Testimony in -matters A MATTER pertaining to
- 5 -persons A PERSON having a contagious disease.
- 6 (C)  $\frac{(d)}{(d)}$  Testimony in other matters if requested by an
- 7 interested party.
- 8 (D) -(e) Testimony and other proceedings required by
- 9 supreme court rule.
- (2) In matters not governed by subsection (1), testimony
- 11 before a probate judge, probate register, or deputy probate reg-
- 12 ister may be given orally without a record being made of the
- 13 testimony.
- 14 (3) The reporter or recorder shall keep sufficient index of
- 15 the testimony and the court shall keep the index and the original
- 16 notes for at least NOT LESS THAN 10 years. The reporter or
- 17 recorder need not transcribe the testimony, except when a tran-
- 18 script is ordered by the court or a party. Except in those
- 19 cases in which the testimony is transcribed and filed with the
- 20 record of the case, notes pertaining to a hearing for the admis-
- 21 sion of any person to a hospital or other-place of detention as a
- 22 mentally ill or developmentally disabled person or as a person
- 23 with a contagious disease, shall be destroyed only after the dis-
- 24 charge of the person from the hospital or facility.
- 25 (4) Notes may not be destroyed until after 10 years after
- 26 the date of the hearing or as provided in subsection (3),
- 27 whichever is longer.

- 1 Sec. 861. A party to a proceeding in the probate court may
- 2 appeal the following orders as a matter of right to the court of
- 3 appeals:
- 4 (a) A final order affecting the rights or interests of any
- 5 interested person in an estate or trust.
- 6 (b) An order entered in an adoption proceeding under chap
- 7 ter X of Act No. 288 of the Public Acts of 1939, as amended,
- 8 being sections 710.21 to 710.70 of the Michigan Compiled Laws,
- 9 and appealed in accordance with section 65 of chapter X of Act
- 10 No. 288 of the Public Acts of 1939, as amended, being section
- 11 710.65 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 12 (c) The following final orders entered by the juvenile divi
- 13 sion of the probate court:
- 14 (i) An order of disposition placing a child under the super
- 15 vision of the court or removing the child from his or her home.
- 16 (ii) An order terminating parental rights.
- 17 (B) A final order in a condemnation case entered under
- 18 the drain code of 1956, Act No. 40 of the Public Acts of 1956, as
- 19 amended, being sections 280.1 to 280.630 of the Michigan Compiled
- 20 Laws.
- Sec. 867. -(+) After an appeal is claimed and notice of
- 22 the appeal is given at the probate court, all further proceedings
- 23 in pursuance of the order, sentence, or judgment appealed from
- 24 shall cease until the appeal is determined. except as otherwise
- 25 provided in subsection (2) and in section 65(2) of chapter 10 of
- 26 Act No. 288 of the Public Acts of 1939, being section 710.65 of
- 27 the Michigan Compiled Laws.

- 1 (2) The pendency of an appeal from the juvenile division of
- 2 the probate court or from an order of the probate court entered
- 3 pursuant to Act No. 258 of the Public Acts of 1974; as amended,
- 4 being sections 330.1001 to 330.2106 of the Michigan Compiled Laws
- 5 shall not suspend the order unless the court to which the appeal
- 6 is taken specifically orders the suspension. An application for
- 7 a delayed appeal from an order of the juvenile division shall be
- 8 filed within 6 months after entry of the order.
- 9 Sec. 874.  $\frac{(+)}{(+)}$  The probate court shall charge and collect
- 10 the following fees:
- 11 (a) For performing a marriage ceremony, \$10.00.
- (A)  $\frac{(b)}{(b)}$  For issuance of a commission to take testimony,
- 13 \$7.00.
- 14 (B) (c) For taking, certifying, sealing, and forwarding
- 15 depositions, \$5.00, and 10 cents per folio, which fees shall be
- 16 considered as costs in the case; and for each copy of the deposi-
- 17 tion furnished, 3 cents per folio.
- 18 (2) A probate judge may waive the fee for performing a mar-
- 19 riage ceremony if the parties thereto are indigent.
- 20 Sec. 876. A charge shall not be made nor shall any A fee
- 21 be collected on account of, or by reason of, the furnishing of A
- 22 certified -copies COPY in connection with proceedings -for the
- 23 admission and commitment of persons to mental hospitals or any
- 24 facility or institution maintained or operated by the state or
- 25 the federal government for the care of mentally ill or retarded
- 26 persons, or for determining inheritance tax.

1 CHAPTER 92

- 2 SEC. 9201. THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT IS CREATED AS A
- 3 COURT OF RECORD AND IS ORGANIZED PURSUANT TO THIS CHAPTER.
- 4 SEC. 9203. (1) EACH COUNTY SHALL HAVE A DOMESTIC RELATIONS
- 5 COURT.
- 6 (2) EACH COUNTY SHALL HAVE AT LEAST 1 JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC
- 7 RELATIONS COURT. A COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MAY PROVIDE FOR
- 8 ADDITIONAL JUDGES OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT AS THE COUNTY
- 9 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONSIDERS NECESSARY.
- 10 (3) JUDGES OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL BE NOMI-
- 11 NATED AND ELECTED AT NONPARTISAN ELECTIONS IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH
- 12 THE JUDGES RESIDE, AND SHALL HOLD OFFICE FOR A TERM OF 6 YEARS
- 13 AND UNTIL THEIR SUCCESSORS ARE ELECTED AND QUALIFIED. IN A
- 14 COUNTY HAVING MORE THAN 1 JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT,
- 15 THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SHALL ARRANGE THE JUDGES' TERMS
- 16 OF OFFICE SO THAT NOT ALL TERMS WILL EXPIRE AT THE SAME TIME. IF
- 17 THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZES ! OR MORE NEW JUDGES
- 18 OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT FOR THE COUNTY, THE NEW JUDGESHIP
- 19 OR JUDGESHIPS SHALL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT SEPARATE AND APART FROM
- 20 OTHER JUDGESHIPS OF THE SAME COURT IN THE PRIMARY AND GENERAL
- 21 ELECTIONS.
- 22 SEC. 9205. IN EACH COUNTY HAVING MORE THAN 1 JUDGE OF THE
- 23 DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT, THE JUDGES ANNUALLY SHALL ELECT 1 OF
- 24 THEMSELVES TO SERVE AS PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS
- 25 COURT FOR THAT COUNTY.
- 26 SEC. 9207. (1) JUDGES OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL
- 27 BE ELECTED IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW,

- 1 ACT NO. 116 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1954, BEING
- 2 SECTIONS 168.1 TO 168.992 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 3 (2) THE TERM OF A JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT
- 4 SHALL COMMENCE ON THE JANUARY 1 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE DATE OF
- 5 ELECTION.
- 6 (3) A JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL QUALIFY BY
- 7 TAKING THE CONSTITUTIONAL OATH OF OFFICE. THE JUDGE SHALL SUB-
- 8 SCRIBE THE OATH AND FILE THE OATH IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY
- 9 CLERK.
- 10 SEC. 9211. THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL NOT HAVE
- 11 TERMS OF COURT. THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL BE OPEN AT
- 12 REASONABLE TIMES AS FIXED BY THE JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS
- 13 COURT OR, IN A COUNTY HAVING MORE THAN 1 JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC
- 14 RELATIONS COURT, BY THE PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS
- 15 COURT.
- 16 SEC. 9212. (1) A JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT
- 17 SHALL MAINTAIN AN OFFICE AT THE COUNTY SEAT AND MAY ALSO MAINTAIN
- 18 AN OFFICE IN ANY CITY OF THE COUNTY WHERE SESSIONS OF THE DOMES-
- 19 TIC RELATIONS COURT ARE AUTHORIZED BY LAW.
- 20 (2) A JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT MAY HOLD SES-
- 21 SIONS OF THE COURT AT THE REGIONAL DIAGNOSTIC AND TREATMENT
- 22 CENTER ASSIGNED TO THE COURT IF SESSIONS ARE APPROVED BY THE
- 23 STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR. THE CENTER SHALL PROVIDE AN AREA FOR
- 24 COURT SESSIONS TO WHICH THE PUBLIC HAS ACCESS.
- 25 SEC. 9213. EACH COUNTY SHALL PROVIDE THE BOOKS, PRINTED
- 26 BLANK FORMS, AND OTHER STATIONERY NECESSARY FOR KEEPING THE
- 27 RECORDS IN THE OFFICE OF THE JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS

- 1 COURT, AND ALL FURNITURE, EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES NECESSARY FOR
- 2 EQUIPPING AND MAINTAINING THE OFFICE.
- 3 SEC. 9215. (1) THE MINIMUM ANNUAL SALARY FOR A JUDGE OF THE
- 4 DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL BE EQUAL TO 90% OF THE ANNUAL
- 5 SALARY PAYABLE BY THE STATE TO A CIRCUIT JUDGE. THE COUNTY SHALL
- 6 PAY \$6,000.00 OF THE MINIMUM ANNUAL SALARY ESTABLISHED BY THIS
- 7 SUBSECTION, AND THE STATE SHALL PAY THE BALANCE OF THE MINIMUM
- 8 ANNUAL SALARY AS A GRANT TO THE COUNTY, WHICH IN TURN SHALL PAY
- 9 THAT AMOUNT TO THE JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT. THE
- 10 SALARY PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE IN FULL COMPENSATION
- 11 FOR ALL SERVICES PERFORMED BY THE JUDGE AS A JUDGE OF THE DOMES-
- 12 TIC RELATIONS COURT.
- 13 (2) IN ADDITION TO THE MINIMUM ANNUAL SALARY ESTABLISHED BY
- 14 SUBSECTION (1), A JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT MAY
- 15 RECEIVE FROM A COUNTY IN WHICH THE JUDGE REGULARLY HOLDS COURT AN
- 16 ADDITIONAL SALARY DETERMINED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- 17 COMMISSIONERS. THE ADDITIONAL SALARY MAY BE INCREASED DURING A
- 18 TERM OF OFFICE, BUT SHALL NOT BE DECREASED, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT
- 19 OF A GENERAL SALARY REDUCTION IN ALL OTHER BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT
- 20 IN THE COUNTY. IN A COUNTY IN WHICH AN ADDITIONAL SALARY IS
- 21 GRANTED, THE ADDITIONAL SALARY SHALL BE PAID AT THE SAME RATE TO
- 22 ALL JUDGES OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT REGULARLY HOLDING
- 23 COURT IN THAT COUNTY. THE TOTAL ADDITIONAL SALARY GRANTED TO A
- 24 JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL NOT EXCEED 88% OF THE
- 25 ANNUAL SALARY PAYABLE TO A JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT.
- SEC. 9217. (1) THE SUPREME COURT, THROUGH ITS DIRECT ORDER
- 27 OR THROUGH THE STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR, MAY COMPEL A JUDGE OF

- 1 THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT TO SERVE AS A JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC
- 2 RELATIONS COURT IN ANY OTHER COUNTY. PARTICULAR CONSIDERATION
- 3 SHALL BE GIVEN THOSE CASES IN WHICH THE INCUMBENT JUDGE OF THE
- 4 DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT, OR THE PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC
- 5 RELATIONS COURT REQUESTS THAT ANOTHER JUDGE BE SENT TO THAT
- 6 COUNTY AND PROPERLY SHOWS 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 7 (A) THAT THE BUSINESS OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT HAS
- 8 INCREASED BEYOND THE CAPACITY OF THE JUDGE OR JUDGES OF THE
- 9 DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT FOR THAT COUNTY TO PROPERLY DISPOSE OF.
- 10 (B) THAT A VACANCY EXISTS IN THE OFFICE OF JUDGE OF THE
- 11 DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT FOR THAT COUNTY.
- 12 (C) THAT A JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT FOR THAT
- 13 COUNTY IS UNABLE TO DISCHARGE THE DUTIES OF HIS OR HER OFFICE.
- 14 (D) ANY OTHER SUFFICIENT REASON.
- 15 (2) A JUDGE ASSIGNED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL HOLD COURT AND
- 16 FULFILL THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE AS THOUGH THE JUDGE HAD BEEN
- 17 ELECTED IN THE RESPECTIVE COUNTY FOR THE TIME THE JUDGE IS
- 18 ASSIGNED TO SERVE.
- 19 (3) IF THE OFFICE OF JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT
- 20 IS VACANT OR THE JUDGE IS TEMPORARILY ABSENT FROM THE COUNTY, IS
- 21 PERFORMING OTHER DUTIES REQUIRED BY LAW, OR IS INCAPACITATED FROM
- 22 EXECUTING THE DUTIES OF OFFICE. A JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
- 23 SERVING IN THAT COUNTY SHALL SERVE AS A JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC
- 24 RELATIONS COURT UNLESS THAT CIRCUIT JUDGE IS INCAPACITATED FROM
- 25 EXECUTING THE DUTIES. IF A CIRCUIT JUDGE WITHIN THAT COUNTY IS
- 26 NOT AVAILABLE BECAUSE OF INCAPACITY, THEN A CIRCUIT JUDGE OF ANY
- 27 CIRCUIT OR A JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT OF ANY COUNTY

- 1 WHO IS NOT INCAPACITATED FROM EXECUTING THE DUTIES OF JUDGE OF
- 2 THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT MAY SERVE AS A JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC
- 3 RELATIONS COURT FOR THE COUNTY, IF A WRITTEN REQUEST IS MADE BY
- 4 THE JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT FOR THAT COUNTY, OR IF
- 5 A WRITTEN REQUEST IS MADE BY A CIRCUIT JUDGE OF THAT COUNTY WHEN
- 6 THE JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT IS TEMPORARILY ABSENT
- 7 OR IS LEGALLY DISABLED FROM MAKING THE REQUEST.
- 8 (4) A JUDGE SERVING TEMPORARILY UNDER SUBSECTION (3) SHALL
- 9 HAVE ALL THE POWERS AND PERFORM ALL THE DUTIES OF THE JUDGE OF
- 10 THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT FOR THE COUNTY UNTIL THE JUDGE OF
- 11 THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT FOR THE COUNTY RETURNS, THE INCAPAC-
- 12 ITY IS REMOVED, OR ANOTHER JUDGE IS ELECTED AND QUALIFIED.
- 13 (5) A JUDGE, WHO, WHILE SERVING TEMPORARILY AS A JUDGE OF
- 14 THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT UNDER THIS SECTION, BEGINS A HEARING
- 15 WHICH IS NOT CONCLUDED WHEN THE ACTING JUDGE'S TEMPORARY SERVICE
- 16 TERMINATES UNDER SUBSECTION (4), MAY HEAR THE MATTER TO ITS CON-
- 17 CLUSION AND GIVE JUDGMENT ON THE MATTER.
- 18 SEC. 9219. THE JUDGES OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT FOR A
- 19 COUNTY HAVING 2 OR MORE JUDGES SHALL HAVE EQUAL POWERS, DUTIES,
- 20 AND COMPENSATION, EXCEPT THE POWER OF NOMINATION, APPOINTMENT,
- 21 AND REMOVAL OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT.
- 22 THE GENERAL DIRECTION AND CONTROL OF THE BUSINESS OF THE DOMESTIC
- 23 RELATIONS COURT, INCLUDING THE DIVISION OF WORK BETWEEN OR AMONG
- 24 THE JUDGES, SHALL BE VESTED IN THE PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE DOMES-
- 25 TIC RELATIONS COURT.
- SEC. 9220. (1) IN EACH COUNTY THE JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC
- 27 RELATIONS COURT, OR THE PRESIDING JUDGE IN A COUNTY HAVING 2 OR

- I MORE JUDGES OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT, SHALL HAVE
- 2 POSSESSION OF THE SEAL, RECORDS, BOOKS, FILES, AND PAPERS BELONG-
- 3 ING TO THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT. EACH JUDGE SHALL KEEP A
- 4 TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF EACH ORDER, SENTENCE, AND DECREE OF
- 5 THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT, AND OF ALL OTHER OFFICIAL ACTS MADE
- 6 OR DONE BY THE JUDGE AND OF ALL OTHER THINGS PROPER TO BE
- 7 RECORDED IN THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT.
- 8 (2) THE RECORDS, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW, MAY BE
- 9 INSPECTED WITHOUT CHARGE BY AN INTERESTED PERSON.
- (3) THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL MAINTAIN AN ALPHABET—
- 11 ICAL INDEX TO THE RECORDS OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT PRO-
- 12 CEEDINGS IN EACH COUNTY.
- 13 SEC. 9221. (1) SUBJECT TO SECTION 9219, THE JUDGE OF THE
- 14 DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT MAY APPOINT COURT STENOGRAPHERS, CLERKS,
- 15 PROBATION OFFICERS, COUNSELORS, BAILIFFS, REGISTRARS, COUNTY
- 16 AGENTS, REFEREES, FRIENDS OF THE COURT, AND OTHER EMPLOYEES NEC-
- 17 ESSARY TO SERVICE THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT. EMPLOYEES OF THE
- 18 DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL BE COMPENSATED AS PROVIDED BY THE
- 19 COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.
- 20 (2) THE OFFICE AND FACILITIES OF THE FRIEND OF THE COURT,
- 21 THE MARRIAGE COUNSELOR OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AND THE STAFF OF THE
- 22 JUVENILE DIVISION OF THE PROBATE COURT IS TRANSFERRED TO, AND
- 23 SHALL OPERATE AS A PART OF, THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT. THE
- 24 FRIEND OF THE COURT, THE CIRCUIT COURT MARRIAGE COUNSELOR, AND
- 25 THE STAFF OF THE JUVENILE DIVISION OF THE PROBATE COURT SHALL
- 26 CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE CIRCUIT AND PROBATE COURTS
- 27 FOR CASES PENDING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CHAPTER.

- 1 (3) STATE AND OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES WHICH, BEFORE THE
- 2 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CHAPTER, PROVIDED ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES
- 3 OR JUVENILES, OR BOTH, SHALL PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE DOMESTIC
- 4 RELATIONS COURT.
- 5 SEC. 9231. (1) THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL HAVE AND
- 6 EXERCISE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OVER THE FOLLOWING CASES
- 7 COMMENCED AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CHAPTER:
- 8 (A) CASES OF DIVORCE AND ANCILLARY MATTERS AS SET FORTH IN
- 9 THE FOLLOWING STATUTES:
- 10 (i) CHAPTER 84 OF THE REVISED STATUTES OF 1846, BEING SEC-
- 11 TIONS 552.1 TO 552.45 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 12 (ii) ACT NO. 259 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1909, BEING SECTIONS
- 13 552.101 TO 552.104 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 14 (iii) ACT NO. 52 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1911, BEING SECTIONS
- 15 552.121 TO 552.123 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 16 (iv) ACT NO. 379 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1913, BEING SECTIONS
- 17 552.151 TO 552.155 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 18 (v) THE FRIEND OF THE COURT ACT, ACT NO. 294 OF THE PUBLIC
- 19 ACTS OF 1982, BEING SECTIONS 552.501 TO 552.535 OF THE MICHIGAN
- 20 COMPILED LAWS.
- 21 (vi) ACT NO. 299 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1905, BEING SECTION
- 22 552.391 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 23 (vii) ACT NO. 42 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1949, BEING SECTIONS
- 24 552.401 TO 552.402 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 25 (viii) ACT NO. 138 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1966, BEING SEC-
- 26 TIONS 552.451 TO 552.459 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.

- 1 (vix) THE INTERSTATE INCOME WITHHOLDING ACT, ACT NO. 216 OF
- 2 THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1985, BEING SECTIONS 552.671 TO 552.685 OF THE
- 3 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 4 (B) CASES INVOLVING GUARDIANS AND WARDS AS PROVIDED IN CHAP-5 TER 93.
- 6 (C) CASES OF ADOPTION AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 94.
- 7 (D) CASES INVOLVING CERTAIN CHILDREN INCAPABLE OF ADOPTION
- 8 UNDER ACT NO. 271 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1925, BEING SECTIONS
- 9 722.531 TO 722.534 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 10 (E) CASES INVOLVING A CHANGE OF NAME AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER
  11 95.
- 12 (F) CASES INVOLVING JUVENILES AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 96.
- 13 (G) CASES INVOLVING THE STATUS OF MINORS AND THE EMANCIPA-
- 14 TION OF MINORS UNDER ACT NO. 293 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1968,
- 15 BEING SECTIONS 722.1 TO 722.6 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 16 (H) CASES OF CHILD CUSTODY UNDER THE CHILD CUSTODY ACT OF
- 17 1970, ACT NO. 91 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1970, BEING SECTIONS
- 18 722.21 TO 722.29 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, AND CHILD CUSTODY
- 19 JURISDICTION AS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 651 TO 673.
- 20 (I) CASES INVOLVING PATERNITY AND CHILD SUPPORT UNDER THE
- 21 PATERNITY ACT, ACT NO. 205 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1956, BEING
- 22 SECTIONS 722.711 TO 722.730 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 23 (J) CASES INVOLVING CHILD SUPPORT UNDER THE REVISED UNIFORM
- 24 RECIPROCAL ENFORCEMENT OF SUPPORT ACT, ACT NO. 8 OF THE PUBLIC
- 25 ACTS OF 1952, BEING SECTIONS 780.151 TO 780.183 OF THE MICHIGAN
- 26 COMPILED LAWS.

- 1 (K) JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS UNDER CHAPTERS 4, 4A, 5, AND 6 OF
- 2 THE MENTAL HEALTH CODE, ACT NO. 258 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1974,
- 3 BEING SECTIONS 330.1400 TO 330.1642 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED
- 4 LAWS.
- 5 (2) THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL HAVE SOLE AND EXCLU-
- 6 SIVE JURISDICTION OVER THE FOLLOWING CRIMINAL CASES COMMENCED
- 7 AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CHAPTER:
- 8 (A) AN ALLEGED VIOLATION OF SECTIONS 520A TO 520L OF THE
- 9 MICHIGAN PENAL CODE, ACT NO. 328 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1931,
- 10 BEING SECTIONS 750.520A TO 750.520L OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED
- 11 LAWS.
- 12 (B) AN ALLEGED VIOLATION OF ANY OTHER SECTION OF THE
- 13 MICHIGAN PENAL CODE, ACT NO. 328 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1931,
- 14 BEING SECTIONS 750.1 TO 750.568 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, IF
- 15 THE VIOLATION IS CLASSIFIED AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. A VIOLATION IS
- 16 CLASSIFIED AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS
- 17 APPLY:
- 18 (i) THERE HAS BEEN A VIOLENT PHYSICAL ATTACK OR THERE IS
- 19 FEAR OF A VIOLENT PHYSICAL ATTACK PERPETRATED AGAINST A VICTIM.
- 20 (ii) THE PERPETRATOR OF THE ATTACK OR FEARED ATTACK IS THE
- 21 SPOUSE OR FORMER SPOUSE OF THE VICTIM OR IS AN ADULT PERSON OF
- 22 THE OPPOSITE SEX WITH WHOM THE ASSAULTED PERSON COHABITS OR
- 23 FORMERLY COHABITED.
- 24 (iii) THE VICTIM AND ASSAILANT ARE OR WERE INVOLVED IN A
- 25 CONSENTING, SEXUAL RELATIONSHIP.
- 26 (3) THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL HAVE CONCURRENT
- 27 JURISDICTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL RIGHTS OVER AN ALLEGED

- 1 VIOLATION OF ARTICLE 2 OF THE ELLIOTT-LARSEN CIVIL RIGHTS ACT,
- 2 ACT NO. 453 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1976, BEING SECTIONS 37.2201 TO
- 3 37.2211, IF THE ALLEGED VIOLATION CONSISTS OF DISCRIMINATION
- 4 BASED ON SEX.
- 5 SEC. 9232. (1) THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT HAS JURISDIC-
- 6 TION AND POWER TO MAKE A PROPER ORDER TO FULLY EFFECTUATE THE
- 7 COURT'S JURISDICTION AND JUDGMENTS.
- 8 (2) THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF
- 9 THE SUPREME COURT, MAY MAKE RULES REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF THE
- 10 COURT IN MATTERS NOT COVERED BY THIS ACT OR SUPREME COURT RULE.
- 11 SEC. 9235. (1) NOTICE FOR AN ACTION OR PROCEEDING CONDUCTED
- 12 UNDER THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE GOVERNED BY SUPREME COURT RULE.
- 13 (2) ONLY FORMS APPROVED BY THE SUPREME COURT OR SUPREME
- 14 COURT ADMINISTRATOR SHALL BE USED IN AN ACTION OR PROCEEDING CON-
- 15 DUCTED UNDER THIS CHAPTER.
- 16 SEC. 9237. (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN CHAPTERS 93
- 17 TO 96, JURISDICTION ASSUMED IN A CASE BY THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS
- 18 COURT, SO FAR AS IT DEPENDS ON THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE OF A
- 19 PERSON, SHALL NOT BE CONTESTED IN ANY OTHER ACTION OR
- 20 PROCEEDING. THIS LIMITATION SHALL NOT APPLY TO AN APPEAL FROM
- 21 THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT IN THE ORIGINAL CASE OR IF THE LACK
- 22 OF JURISDICTION APPEARS ON THE FACE OF A COMPLAINT OR PETITION OR
- 23 FROM THE RECORD.
- 24 (2) THE VENUE OF A PROCEEDING OR A PORTION OF A PROCEEDING
- 25 MAY BE CHANGED FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE PARTIES AND WITNESSES
- 26 OR WHEN AN IMPARTIAL TRIAL CANNOT BE HAD, TO THE DOMESTIC
- 27 RELATIONS COURT FOR ANOTHER COUNTY UPON PETITION OF AN INTERESTED

- 1 PARTY OR UPON THE MOTION OF THE JUDGE WHO HAS OR WOULD HAVE
- 2 JURISDICTION. COPIES OF DOCUMENTS, AS SPECIFIED BY THE COMPLAIN-
- 3 ANT OR PETITIONER, WHICH ARE ON FILE IN THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS
- 4 COURT WHERE THE PROCEEDINGS ARE PENDING, TOGETHER WITH AN ORIGI-
- 5 NAL INSTRUMENT AS SPECIFIED, WITHOUT PAYMENT, SHALL BE TRANSMIT-
- 6 TED BY THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT TO THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS
- 7 COURT FOR THE COUNTY GRANTED VENUE. AFTER VENUE IS CHANGED, A
- 8 NOTICE OF HEARING WHICH IS REQUIRED TO BE PUBLISHED SHALL BE PUB-
- 9 LISHED IN THE COUNTY FROM WHICH VENUE WAS CHANGED.
- 10 (3) IN A CASE OF CONTESTED VENUE, THE PROCEEDING SHALL BE
- 11 STAYED EXCEPT IN THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT FOR THE COUNTY
- 12 WHERE FIRST FILED UNTIL FINAL DETERMINATION OF VENUE IS MADE
- 13 THERE.
- 14 SEC. 9239. (1) IF A PARTY TO AN ACTION IN THE DOMESTIC
- 15 RELATIONS COURT DEMANDS A JURY, THE JURY SHALL BE SUMMONED AND
- 16 SELECTED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 13. WITH RESPECT TO JURORS AN EXAM-
- 17 INATION, CHALLENGE, REPLACEMENT, OATH, OR OTHER PRACTICE WHICH IS
- 18 NOT GOVERNED BY CHAPTER 13 SHALL BE GOVERNED BY RULES ADOPTED BY
- 19 THE SUPREME COURT.
- 20 (2) IF A JURY TRIAL IS DEMANDED IN AN ACTION BY A PARTY
- 21 HAVING A RIGHT TO HAVE A JURY DETERMINE AN ISSUE, THE DEMANDING
- 22 PARTY SHALL PAY INTO COURT A JURY FEE IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE
- 23 JURY FEE REQUIRED IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE SAME COUNTY, BUT
- 24 NOT TO EXCEED \$30.00, WHICH FEE SHALL BE PAID TO THE COUNTY TREA-
- 25 SURER FOR DEPOSIT IN THE GENERAL FUND OF THE COUNTY. A JURY FEE
- 26 SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED FROM A PARTY DEMANDING A JURY TRIAL UNDER
- 27 CHAPTER 96 OR UNDER THE MENTAL HEALTH CODE, ACT NO. 258 OF THE

- 1 PUBLIC ACTS OF 1974, BEING SECTIONS 330.1001 TO 330.2106 OF THE
- 2 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 3 SEC. 9241. (1) IF IT APPEARS REASONABLE AND PROPER, THE
- 4 DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT MAY REQUIRE A PARTY TO A PROCEEDING.
- 5 BEFORE A HEARING, TO GIVE SUFFICIENT SECURITY FOR ALL COSTS AS
- 6 MAY BE AWARDED AGAINST THAT PARTY.
- 7 (2) IN A CONTESTED CASE, THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT MAY
- 8 AWARD COSTS TO EITHER PARTY TO BE PAID BY THE OTHER PARTY AS JUS-
- 9 TICE AND EOUITY REOUIRE.
- 10 SEC. 9245. (1) TESTIMONY REQUIRED TO BE TAKEN IN A MATTER
- 11 IN THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL BE TAKEN BY AN OFFICIAL
- 12 COURT STENOGRAPHER OR A MECHANICAL RECORDING DEVICE APPROVED BY
- 13 THE SUPREME COURT. TESTIMONY MAY BE TAKEN BEFORE A JUDGE OF THE
- 14 DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT.
- 15 (2) THE STENOGRAPHER SHALL KEEP A SUFFICIENT INDEX OF THE
- 16 TESTIMONY AND THE COURT SHALL KEEP THE INDEX AND THE ORIGINAL
- 17 NOTES FOR NOT LESS THAN 15 YEARS. THE STENOGRAPHER NEED NOT
- 18 TRANSCRIBE THE TESTIMONY, EXCEPT WHEN A TRANSCRIPT IS ORDERED BY
- 19 THE COURT OR A PARTY. EXCEPT IN THOSE CASES IN WHICH THE TESTI-
- 20 MONY IS TRANSCRIBED AND FILED WITH THE RECORD OF THE CASE, NOTES
- 21 PERTAINING TO A HEARING FOR THE ADMISSION OF A PERSON TO A HOSPI-
- 22 TAL OR OTHER PLACE OF DETENTION AS A MENTALLY ILL OR MENTALLY
- 23 RETARDED PERSON OR AS A PERSON WITH A CONTAGIOUS DISEASE, SHALL
- 24 BE DESTROYED ONLY AFTER THE DISCHARGE OF THE PERSON FROM THE HOS-
- 25 PITAL OR FACILITY.

- 1 (3) NOTES MAY NOT BE DESTROYED UNTIL AFTER 15 YEARS AFTER
- 2 THE DATE OF THE HEARING OR AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2),
- 3 WHICHEVER IS LONGER.
- 4 SEC. 9251. (1) A PARTY TO A PROCEEDING IN THE DOMESTIC
- 5 RELATIONS COURT MAY APPEAL AS A MATTER OF RIGHT A FINAL ORDER OF
- 6 THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT TO THE COURT OF APPEALS.
- 7 (2) AN APPEAL FROM THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL BE ON
- 8 A WRITTEN TRANSCRIPT OF THE RECORD MADE IN THE COURT OR ON A
- 9 RECORD SETTLED AND AGREED TO BY THE PARTIES AND APPROVED BY THE
- 10 COURT. AN APPEAL SHALL NOT BE TRIED DE NOVO.
- (3) NOTICE OF APPEAL SHALL BE GIVEN TO EACH INTERESTED PARTY
- 12 AS PROVIDED BY SUPREME COURT RULE.
- 13 (4) AN APPEAL FROM THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL BE
- 14 GOVERNED BY SUPREME COURT RULE.
- 15 CHAPTER 93
- 16 SEC. 9301. AS USED IN THIS CHAPTER:
- 17 (A) "CONSERVATOR" MEANS A PERSON APPOINTED BY THE COURT TO
- 18 EXERCISE POWERS OVER THE ESTATE OF A PROTECTED PERSON.
- 19 (B) "COURT" MEANS THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT CREATED IN
- 20 CHAPTER 92.
- 21 (C) "GUARDIAN" MEANS A PERSON APPOINTED BY THE COURT OR DES-
- 22 IGNATED AS A GUARDIAN IN A WILL TO EXERCISE POWERS OVER THE
- 23 PERSON OF A MINOR OR A LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON.
- 24 (D) "LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON" MEANS A PERSON, OTHER
- 25 THAN A MINOR, WHO IS UNABLE TO MANAGE OR PROTECT HIS OR HER PROP-
- 26 ERTY OR PERSON BY REASON OF MENTAL INCOMPETENCY, MENTAL
- 27 RETARDATION, CHRONIC USE OF DRUGS, CHRONIC USE OF ALCOHOL, OR

- 1 CHRONIC GAMBLING, OR BY REASON OF DETENTION BY A FOREIGN POWER,
- 2 ABSENCE OR DISAPPEARANCE, OR BEING UNBORN OR UNASCERTAINED.
- 3 (E) "WARD" MEANS A PERSON FOR WHOM A FIDUCIARY IS
- 4 APPOINTED. A MINOR WARD IS A MINOR FOR WHOM A FIDUCIARY IS
- 5 APPOINTED SOLELY BECAUSE OF MINORITY.
- 6 (F) THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE SAME MEANING AS PRESCRIBED
- 7 TO THEM IN THE REVISED PROBATE CODE, ACT NO. 642 OF THE PUBLIC
- 8 ACTS OF 1978, BEING SECTIONS 700.1 TO 700.993 OF THE MICHIGAN
- 9 COMPILED LAWS:
- 10 (i) ESTATE.
- 11 (ii) FIDUCIARY.
- 12 (*iii*) MINOR.
- 13 (iv) PERSON.
- 14 (v) PROPERTY.
- 15 (vi) PROTECTED PERSON.
- 16 (*vii*) WILL.
- 17 SEC. 9302. (1) THE COURT HAS JURISDICTION OVER PROTECTIVE
- 18 PROCEEDINGS AND GUARDIANSHIP PROCEEDINGS.
- 19 (2) WHEN BOTH GUARDIANSHIP AND PROTECTIVE PROCEEDINGS AS TO
- 20 THE SAME PERSON ARE COMMENCED OR PENDING IN THE SAME COURT, THE
- 21 PROCEEDINGS MAY BE CONSOLIDATED.
- 22 (3) IN PROCEEDINGS UNDER THIS ARTICLE, A SPOUSE MAY TESTIFY
- 23 FOR OR AGAINST THE OTHER SPOUSE.
- 24 SEC. 9303. A PERSON UNDER A DUTY TO PAY OR DELIVER MONEY OR
- 25 PERSONAL PROPERTY TO A MINOR MAY PERFORM THIS DUTY, IN AMOUNTS
- 26 NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000.00 PER YEAR, BY PAYING OR DELIVERING THE
- 27 MONEY OR PROPERTY TO 1 OF THE FOLLOWING: THE MINOR, IF THE MINOR

- 1 IS MARRIED: A PERSON HAVING THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF THE MINOR
- 2 WITH WHOM THE MINOR RESIDES; A GUARDIAN OF THE MINOR; OR A FINAN-
- 3 CIAL INSTITUTION INCIDENT TO A DEPOSIT IN A FEDERALLY INSURED
- 4 SAVINGS ACCOUNT IN THE SOLE NAME OF THE MINOR AND GIVING NOTICE
- 5 OF THE DEPOSIT TO THE MINOR. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF THE
- 6 PERSON MAKING PAYMENT OR DELIVERY HAS ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE THAT A
- 7 CONSERVATOR IS APPOINTED OR PROCEEDINGS FOR APPOINTMENT OF A CON-
- 8 SERVATOR OF THE ESTATE OF THE MINOR ARE PENDING. THE PERSON,
- 9 OTHER THAN THE MINOR OR A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION, WHO IS RECEIVING
- 10 MONEY OR PROPERTY FOR A MINOR, IS OBLIGATED TO APPLY THE MONEY TO
- 11 THE SUPPORT AND EDUCATION OF THE MINOR, BUT MAY NOT PAY HIMSELF
- 12 OR HERSELF EXCEPT BY WAY OF REIMBURSEMENT FOR OUT-OF-POCKET
- 13 EXPENSES FOR GOODS AND SERVICES NECESSARY FOR THE MINOR'S
- 14 SUPPORT. AN EXCESS SUM SHALL BE PRESERVED FOR FUTURE SUPPORT OF
- 15 THE MINOR. A BALANCE NOT USED FOR THE SUPPORT AND EDUCATION OF
- 16 THE MINOR OR PROPERTY RECEIVED FOR THE MINOR SHALL BE TURNED OVER
- 17 TO THE MINOR WHEN THE MINOR ATTAINS MAJORITY. A PERSON WHO PAYS
- 18 OR DELIVERS MONEY OR PERSONAL PROPERTY TO A MINOR PURSUANT TO
- 19 THIS SECTION IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROPER APPLICATION OF THE
- 20 SUMS.
- 21 SEC. 9305. A PARENT OR A GUARDIAN OF A MINOR OR LEGALLY
- 22 INCAPACITATED PERSON, BY A PROPERLY EXECUTED POWER OF ATTORNEY,
- 23 MAY DELEGATE TO ANOTHER PERSON, FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING
- 24 6 MONTHS, ANY OF THE PARENT'S OR GUARDIAN'S POWERS REGARDING
- 25 CARE, CUSTODY, OR PROPERTY OF THE MINOR CHILD OR WARD, EXCEPT THE
- 26 POWER TO CONSENT TO MARRIAGE OR ADOPTION OF A MINOR WARD.

- 1 SEC. 9307. THE COURT SHALL HAVE JURISDICTION OF THE MATTERS
- 2 DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION. A PERSON 14 YEARS OF AGE OR MORE MAY
- 3 GIVE 1 OF THE PERSON'S 2 KIDNEYS TO A FATHER, MOTHER, SON, DAUGH-
- 4 TER, BROTHER, OR SISTER FOR A TRANSPLANTATION NEEDED BY THE
- 5 DONEE, WHEN AUTHORIZED BY ORDER OF THE COURT WHICH HAS JURISDIC-
- 6 TION OF THE PERSON. THE PETITION FOR AN ORDER MAY BE MADE BY THE
- 7 GUARDIAN, PARENT, SPOUSE, CHILD, OR OTHER NEXT OF KIN OF THE
- 8 PERSON OTHER THAN THE INTENDED DONEE. IF THE PERSON DOES NOT
- 9 HAVE A GUARDIAN, THE COURT SHALL APPOINT A GUARDIAN AD LITEM TO
- 10 PROTECT THE PERSON'S INTERESTS. THE COURT SHALL HOLD A HEARING
- 11 ON THE PETITION AND CAUSE NOTICE OF THE HEARING TO BE GIVEN. THE
- 12 PROSPECTIVE DONOR SHALL BE PRESENT AT THE HEARING AND SHALL BE
- 13 EXAMINED BY THE PETITIONER OR THE COURT, OR BOTH. IF THE COURT
- 14 DETERMINES THAT THE PROSPECTIVE DONOR IS SUFFICIENTLY SOUND OF
- 15 MIND TO UNDERSTAND THE NEEDS AND PROBABLE CONSEQUENCES OF THE
- 16 GIFT TO BOTH THE DONOR AND DONEE, AND AGREES TO THE GIFT, THE
- 17 COURT MAY ENTER AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF THE GIFT.
- 18 SEC. 9321. A PERSON BECOMES A GUARDIAN OF A MINOR BY ACCEP-
- 19 TANCE OF A TESTAMENTARY APPOINTMENT OR UPON APPOINTMENT BY THE
- 20 COURT. THE GUARDIANSHIP STATUS CONTINUES UNTIL TERMINATED, WITH-
- 21 OUT REGARD TO THE LOCATION OF THE GUARDIAN AND MINOR WARD.
- 22 SEC. 9322. THE PARENT OF A MINOR MAY APPOINT BY WILL A
- 23 GUARDIAN OF AN UNMARRIED MINOR. SUBJECT TO THE RIGHT OF THE
- 24 MINOR UNDER SECTION 9323, A TESTAMENTARY APPOINTMENT BECOMES
- 25 EFFECTIVE UPON THE FILING OF THE GUARDIAN'S ACCEPTANCE IN THE
- 26 PROBATE COURT IN WHICH THE WILL IS PROBATED, IF BEFORE ACCEPTANCE
- 27 BOTH PARENTS ARE DEAD OR THE SURVIVING PARENT IS ADJUDGED LEGALLY

- 1 INCAPACITATED. IF BOTH PARENTS ARE DEAD, AN EFFECTIVE
- 2 APPOINTMENT BY THE PARENT WHO DIED LATER HAS PRIORITY. THIS
- 3 STATE RECOGNIZES A TESTAMENTARY APPOINTMENT EFFECTED BY FILING
- 4 THE GUARDIAN'S ACCEPTANCE UNDER A WILL PROBATED IN ANOTHER STATE
- 5 WHICH IS THE TESTATOR'S DOMICILE.
- 6 SEC. 9323. A MINOR 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER MAY PREVENT AN
- 7 APPOINTMENT OF A TESTAMENTARY GUARDIAN FROM BECOMING EFFECTIVE,
- 8 OR MAY CAUSE A PREVIOUSLY ACCEPTED APPOINTMENT TO TERMINATE, BY
- 9 FILING WITH THE PROBATE COURT IN WHICH THE WILL IS PROBATED A
- 10 WRITTEN OBJECTION TO THE APPOINTMENT BEFORE IT IS ACCEPTED OR
- 11 WITHIN 28 DAYS AFTER ITS ACCEPTANCE. AN OBJECTION MAY BE
- 12 WITHDRAWN. AN OBJECTION DOES NOT PRECLUDE APPOINTMENT BY THE
- 13 COURT OF THE TESTAMENTARY NOMINEE, OR ANY OTHER SUITABLE PERSON
- 14 IN A PROPER PROCEEDING.
- 15 SEC. 9324. (1) A PERSON INTERESTED IN THE WELFARE OF A
- 16 MINOR, OR A MINOR IF 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, MAY PETITION FOR
- 17 THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN OF THE MINOR.
- 18 (2) THE COURT MAY APPOINT A GUARDIAN FOR AN UNMARRIED MINOR
- 19 IF EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST:
- 20 (A) THE PARENTAL RIGHTS OF BOTH PARENTS OR OF THE SURVIVING
- 21 PARENT HAVE BEEN TERMINATED OR SUSPENDED BY PRIOR COURT ORDER, BY
- 22 JUDGMENT OF DIVORCE OR SEPARATE MAINTENANCE, BY DEATH, BY JUDI-
- 23 CIAL DETERMINATION OF MENTAL INCOMPETENCY, BY DISAPPEARANCE, OR
- 24 BY CONFINEMENT IN A PLACE OF DETENTION.
- 25 (B) THE APPOINTMENT IS NECESSARY FOR THE IMMEDIATE PHYSICAL
- 26 WELL-BEING OF THE MINOR.

- 1 (3) A GUARDIAN APPOINTED BY WILL AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 9322
- 2 WHOSE APPOINTMENT IS NOT PREVENTED OR NULLIFIED UNDER SECTION
- 3 9323 HAS PRIORITY OVER A GUARDIAN WHO MAY BE APPOINTED BY THE
- 4 COURT. THE COURT MAY PROCEED WITH AN APPOINTMENT UPON A FINDING
- 5 THAT THE TESTAMENTARY GUARDIAN HAS FAILED TO ACCEPT THE TESTAMEN-
- 6 TARY APPOINTMENT WITHIN 28 DAYS AFTER NOTICE OF THE GUARDIANSHIP
- 7 PROCEEDING.
- 8 SEC. 9324A. (1) THE COURT MAY APPOINT A LIMITED GUARDIAN
- 9 FOR AN UNMARRIED MINOR UNDER THIS SECTION UPON THE PETITION OF
- 10 THE PARENT OR PARENTS IF BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING OCCUR:
- (A) THE PARENTS WITH CUSTODY OF THE MINOR CONSENT OR, IN THE
- 12 CASE OF ONLY 1 PARENT HAVING CUSTODY OF THE MINOR, THE SOLE
- 13 PARENT CONSENTS TO THE APPOINTMENT OF A LIMITED GUARDIAN.
- 14 (B) THE PARENT OR PARENTS VOLUNTARILY CONSENT TO THE SUSPEN-
- 15 SION OF THEIR PARENTAL RIGHTS.
- 16 (2) THE SUSPENSION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS UNDER THIS SECTION
- 17 DOES NOT PREVENT THE PARENT OR PARENTS FROM FILING A PETITION TO
- 18 TERMINATE THE GUARDIANSHIP AT ANY TIME. APPOINTMENT OF A LIMITED
- 19 GUARDIAN UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE A CONTINUING APPOINTMENT AND
- 20 MAY BE TERMINATED BY THE COURT UPON PETITION OF THE PARENTS OR
- 21 SOLE PARENT HAVING CUSTODY.
- 22 (3) A LIMITED GUARDIAN APPOINTED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL
- 23 HAVE ALL OF THE POWERS AND DUTIES ENUMERATED IN SECTION 9329,
- 24 EXCEPT THAT A LIMITED GUARDIAN MAY NOT CONSENT TO THE ADOPTION OF
- 25 THE MINOR OR RELEASE OF THE MINOR FOR ADOPTION NOR MAY A LIMITED
- 26 GUARDIAN CONSENT TO THE MARRIAGE OF A MINOR WARD.

- 1 SEC. 9325. THE VENUE FOR GUARDIANSHIP PROCEEDINGS FOR A
- 2 MINOR IS IN THE PLACE WHERE THE MINOR RESIDES OR IS PRESENT.
- 3 SEC. 9326. THE COURT MAY APPOINT AS GUARDIAN A PERSON WHOSE
- 4 APPOINTMENT WOULD BE IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE MINOR. THE
- 5 COURT SHALL APPOINT A PERSON NOMINATED BY THE MINOR, IF THE MINOR
- 6 IS 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, UNLESS THE COURT FINDS THE APPOINT-
- 7 MENT CONTRARY TO THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE MINOR.
- 8 SEC. 9327. (1) NOTICE OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING OF A
- 9 PETITION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN OF A MINOR SHALL BE
- 10 GIVEN BY THE PETITIONER TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 11 (A) THE MINOR, IF 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.
- 12 (B) THE PERSON WHO HAD THE PRINCIPAL CARE AND CUSTODY OF THE
- 13 MINOR DURING THE 60 DAYS PRECEDING THE DATE OF THE PETITION.
- 14 (C) EACH LIVING PARENT OF THE MINOR OR, IF NEITHER OF THEM
- 15 IS LIVING, THE ADULT NEAREST OF KIN TO THE MINOR.
- 16 (2) UPON HEARING, IF THE COURT FINDS THAT A QUALIFIED PERSON
- 17 SEEKS APPOINTMENT, VENUE IS PROPER, THE REQUIRED NOTICES HAVE
- 18 BEEN GIVEN, THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 9324 OR 9324A ARE SATIS-
- 19 FIED, AND THE WELFARE AND BEST INTERESTS OF THE MINOR WILL BE
- 20 SERVED BY THE REQUESTED APPOINTMENT, IT SHALL MAKE THE
- 21 APPOINTMENT. IN OTHER CASES THE COURT MAY DISMISS THE PROCEED-
- 22 INGS OR MAKE ANY OTHER DISPOSITION OF THE MATTER THAT WILL BEST
- 23 SERVE THE INTERESTS OF THE MINOR.
- 24 (3) IF NECESSARY, THE COURT MAY APPOINT A TEMPORARY GUARDIAN
- 25 WITH THE STATUS OF AN ORDINARY GUARDIAN OF A MINOR, BUT THE
- 26 AUTHORITY OF A TEMPORARY GUARDIAN SHALL NOT EXCEED 6 MONTHS.

- 1 (4) IF, AT ANY TIME IN THE PROCEEDING, THE COURT DETERMINES
- 2 THAT THE INTERESTS OF THE MINOR ARE OR MAY BE INADEQUATELY
- 3 REPRESENTED, THE COURT MAY APPOINT AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT THE
- 4 MINOR, GIVING CONSIDERATION TO THE PREFERENCE OF THE MINOR IF THE
- 5 MINOR IS 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.
- 6 SEC. 9328. BY ACCEPTING A TESTAMENTARY OR COURT APPOINTMENT
- 7 AS GUARDIAN, A GUARDIAN SUBMITS PERSONALLY TO THE JURISDICTION OF
- 8 THE COURT IN ANY PROCEEDING RELATING TO THE GUARDIANSHIP THAT MAY
- 9 BE INSTITUTED BY AN INTERESTED PERSON. NOTICE OF A PROCEEDING
- 10 SHALL BE DELIVERED TO THE GUARDIAN, OR MAILED TO THE GUARDIAN BY
- 11 FIRST CLASS MAIL AT THE GUARDIAN'S ADDRESS AS LISTED IN THE COURT
- 12 RECORDS AND TO THE GUARDIAN'S ADDRESS AS THEN KNOWN TO THE
- 13 PETITIONER. A LETTER OF GUARDIANSHIP SHALL INDICATE WHETHER THE
- 14 GUARDIAN WAS APPOINTED BY WILL OR BY COURT ORDER.
- 15 SEC. 9329. (1) A GUARDIAN OF A MINOR HAS THE POWERS AND
- 16 RESPONSIBILITIES OF A PARENT WHO IS NOT DEPRIVED OF CUSTODY OF
- 17 THE PARENT'S MINOR AND UNEMANCIPATED CHILD, EXCEPT THAT A GUARD-
- 18 IAN IS NOT LEGALLY OBLIGATED TO PROVIDE FROM THE GUARDIAN'S OWN
- 19 FUNDS FOR THE WARD AND IS NOT LIABLE TO THIRD PERSONS BY REASON
- 20 OF THE PARENTAL RELATIONSHIP FOR ACTS OF THE WARD. A GUARDIAN
- 21 HAS THE FOLLOWING POWERS AND DUTIES:
- 22 (A) THE GUARDIAN SHALL TAKE REASONABLE CARE OF A WARD'S PER-
- 23 SONAL EFFECTS AND COMMENCE PROTECTIVE PROCEEDINGS IF NECESSARY TO
- 24 PROTECT OTHER PROPERTY OF THE WARD.
- 25 (B) THE GUARDIAN MAY RECEIVE MONEY PAYABLE FOR THE SUPPORT
- 26 OF THE WARD TO THE WARD'S PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN UNDER
- 27 THE TERMS OF ANY STATUTORY BENEFIT OR INSURANCE SYSTEM, OR ANY

- 1 PRIVATE CONTRACT, DEVISE, TRUST, CONSERVATORSHIP, OR
- 2 CUSTODIANSHIP. THE GUARDIAN MAY RECEIVE MONEY OR PROPERTY OF THE
- 3 WARD PAID OR DELIVERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 9303. A SUM SO
- 4 RECEIVED SHALL BE APPLIED TO THE WARD'S CURRENT NEEDS FOR SUP-
- 5 PORT, CARE, AND EDUCATION. THE GUARDIAN SHALL EXERCISE DUE CARE
- 6 TO CONSERVE ANY EXCESS FOR THE WARD'S FUTURE NEEDS UNLESS A CON-
- 7 SERVATOR IS APPOINTED FOR THE ESTATE OF THE WARD, IN WHICH CASE
- 8 EXCESS SHALL BE PAID OVER AT LEAST ANNUALLY TO THE CONSERVATOR.
- 9 A SUM SO RECEIVED BY THE GUARDIAN IS NOT TO BE USED FOR COMPENSA-
- 10 TION FOR THE GUARDIAN'S SERVICES EXCEPT AS APPROVED BY ORDER OF
- 11 THE COURT OR AS DETERMINED BY A DULY APPOINTED CONSERVATOR OTHER
- 12 THAN THE GUARDIAN. A GUARDIAN MAY INSTITUTE PROCEEDINGS TO
- 13 COMPEL THE PERFORMANCE BY A PERSON OF A DUTY TO SUPPORT THE WARD
- 14 OR TO PAY SUMS FOR THE WELFARE OF THE WARD.
- 15 (C) THE GUARDIAN SHALL FACILITATE THE WARD'S EDUCATION AND
- 16 SOCIAL OR OTHER ACTIVITIES, AND SHALL AUTHORIZE MEDICAL OR OTHER
- 17 PROFESSIONAL CARE, TREATMENT, OR ADVICE. A GUARDIAN IS NOT
- 18 LIABLE BY REASON OF THIS CONSENT FOR INJURY TO THE WARD RESULTING
- 19 FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OR ACTS OF THIRD PERSONS UNLESS IT WOULD BE
- 20 ILLEGAL FOR A PARENT TO HAVE CONSENTED. A GUARDIAN MAY CONSENT
- 21 TO THE MARRIAGE OF A MINOR WARD. SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS AND
- 22 RESTRICTIONS OF CHAPTER 94, A GUARDIAN MAY CONSENT TO THE ADOP-
- 23 TION OF A MINOR WARD OR RELEASE A MINOR WARD FOR ADOPTION.
- 24 (D) A GUARDIAN SHALL REPORT THE CONDITION OF THE WARD AND OF
- 25 THE WARD'S ESTATE WHICH IS SUBJECT TO THE GUARDIAN'S POSSESSION
- 26 OR CONTROL, AS ORDERED BY COURT ON PETITION OF ANY PERSON
- 27 INTERESTED IN THE MINOR'S WELFARE OR AS REQUIRED BY COURT RULE.

- 1 THE REPORT SHALL DETAIL THE CONDITION OF THE WARD, ANY MEDICAL OR
- 2 SANITORY TREATMENT OR CARE TO WHICH THE WARD WAS SUBJECTED, AND
- 3 WHAT REASON, IF ANY, EXISTS FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE
- 4 GUARDIANSHIP.
- 5 (2) IF A MINOR DIES WHILE UNDER GUARDIANSHIP, AND A CONSER-
- 6 VATOR HAS NOT BEEN APPOINTED FOR THE ESTATE OF THE MINOR, AND IF
- 7 THE GUARDIAN HAS POSSESSION OF ANY MONEY OF THE DECEASED MINOR,
- 8 THE COURT MAY, UPON PETITION OF THE GUARDIAN AND WITH OR WITHOUT
- 9 NOTICE, HEAR A CLAIM FOR BURIAL EXPENSES OR ANY OTHER CLAIM AS
- 10 THE COURT CONSIDERS ADVISABLE. UPON HEARING THE CLAIM, THE COURT
- 11 MAY ENTER AN ORDER ALLOWING OR DISALLOWING THE CLAIM OR ANY PART
- 12 OF IT AND PROVIDE IN THE ORDER OF ALLOWANCE THAT THE CLAIM OR ANY
- 13 PART OF IT BE PAID IMMEDIATELY IF THE PAYMENT CAN BE MADE WITHOUT
- 14 INJURY OR SERIOUS INCONVENIENCE TO THE MINOR'S ESTATE.
- 15 SEC. 9333. A GUARDIAN'S AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TERMI-
- 16 NATES UPON THE DEATH, RESIGNATION, OR REMOVAL OF THE GUARDIAN OR
- 17 UPON THE MINOR'S DEATH, ADOPTION, MARRIAGE, OR ATTAINMENT OF
- 18 MAJORITY. TERMINATION DOES NOT AFFECT THE GUARDIAN'S LIABILITY
- 19 FOR PRIOR ACTS NOR THE GUARDIAN'S OBLIGATION TO ACCOUNT FOR FUNDS
- 20 AND ASSETS OF A WARD. RESIGNATION OF A GUARDIAN DOES NOT TERMI-
- 21 NATE THE GUARDIANSHIP UNTIL IT IS APPROVED BY THE COURT. A TES-
- 22 TAMENTARY APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN UNDER AN INFORMALLY PROBATED
- 23 WILL TERMINATES IF THE WILL IS LATER DENIED PROBATE IN A FORMAL
- 24 PROCEEDING.
- 25 SEC. 9335. (1) THE COURT IN THE COUNTY WHERE THE WARD
- 26 RESIDES HAS CONCURRENT JURISDICTION WITH THE COURT WHICH
- 27 APPOINTED THE GUARDIAN OR IN WHICH ACCEPTANCE OF A TESTAMENTARY

- 1 APPOINTMENT WAS FILED OVER RESIGNATION, REMOVAL, ACCOUNTING, AND
- 2 OTHER PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO THE GUARDIANSHIP.
- 3 (2) IF THE COURT IN THE COUNTY WHERE THE WARD RESIDES IS NOT
- 4 THE COURT IN WHICH ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT IS FILED, THE COURT
- 5 IN WHICH PROCEEDINGS SUBSEQUENT TO APPOINTMENT ARE COMMENCED, IN
- 6 ALL APPROPRIATE CASES, SHALL NOTIFY THE COURT, IN THIS OR ANOTHER
- 7 STATE, AND AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THAT COURT, SHALL DETERMINE
- 8 WHETHER TO RETAIN JURISDICTION OR TRANSFER THE PROCEEDINGS TO THE
- 9 OTHER COURT, WHICHEVER IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE WARD.
- 10 AFTER THIS DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE, THE COURT ACCEPTING A
- 11 RESIGNATION OR REMOVING A GUARDIAN SHALL DIRECT THIS FIDUCIARY TO
- 12 PREPARE AND SUBMIT A FINAL REPORT TO BOTH COURTS. A COPY OF AN
- 13 ORDER ACCEPTING A RESIGNATION OR REMOVING A GUARDIAN AND A COPY
- 14 OF THE FINAL REPORT SHALL BE SENT TO THE COURT IN WHICH ACCEP-
- 15 TANCE OF APPOINTMENT IS FILED. THE COURT ENTERING THIS ORDER MAY
- 16 PERMIT CLOSING OF THE GUARDIANSHIP IN THE COURT IN WHICH ACCEP-
- 17 TANCE OF APPOINTMENT IS FILED, WITHOUT NOTICE TO INTERESTED
- 18 PERSONS.
- 19 SEC. 9337. (1) A PERSON INTERESTED IN THE WELFARE OF A WARD
- 20 OR THE WARD, IF 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, MAY PETITION FOR
- 21 REMOVAL OF A GUARDIAN ON THE GROUND THAT REMOVAL WOULD BE IN THE
- 22 BEST INTEREST OF THE WARD. A GUARDIAN MAY PETITION FOR PERMIS-
- 23 SION TO RESIGN. A PETITION FOR REMOVAL OR FOR PERMISSION TO
- 24 RESIGN MAY INCLUDE A REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT OF A SUCCESSOR
- 25 GUARDIAN.

- 1 (2) AFTER NOTICE AND HEARING ON A PETITION FOR REMOVAL OR
- 2 FOR PERMISSION TO RESIGN, THE COURT MAY TERMINATE THE
- 3 GUARDIANSHIP AND MAKE ANY FURTHER ORDER THAT IS APPROPRIATE.
- 4 (3) IF, AT ANY TIME IN THE PROCEEDING, THE COURT DETERMINES
- 5 THAT THE INTERESTS OF THE WARD ARE, OR MAY BE, INADEQUATELY REP-
- 6 RESENTED, THE COURT MAY APPOINT AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT THE
- 7 MINOR, GIVING CONSIDERATION TO THE PREFERENCE OF THE MINOR IF THE
- 8 MINOR IS 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.
- 9 SEC. 9341. (1) IF SERVING AS GUARDIAN, THE PARENT OF A
- 10 LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON MAY APPOINT A SUCCESSOR GUARDIAN OF
- 11 THE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON BY WILL. A TESTAMENTARY
- 12 APPOINTMENT BY A PARENT BECOMES EFFECTIVE WHEN, AFTER HAVING
- 13 GIVEN 5 DAYS' PRIOR WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE INTENTION TO DO SO TO
- 14 THE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON AND TO THE PERSON HAVING THE
- 15 LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON'S CARE OR TO HIS OR HER NEAREST
- 16 ADULT RELATIVE, THE SUCCESSOR GUARDIAN FILES ACCEPTANCE OF
- 17 APPOINTMENT IN THE COURT IN WHICH THE WILL IS PROBATED.
- 18 (2) IF SERVING AS GUARDIAN, THE SPOUSE OF A MARRIED LEGALLY
- 19 INCAPACITATED PERSON MAY APPOINT A SUCCESSOR GUARDIAN OF THE
- 20 INCAPACITATED PERSON BY WILL. THE APPOINTMENT BECOMES EFFECTIVE
- 21 WHEN, AFTER HAVING GIVEN 5 DAYS' PRIOR WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE
- 22 INTENTION TO DO SO TO THE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON AND TO THE
- 23 PERSON HAVING THE PERSON'S CARE OR TO THE PERSON'S NEAREST ADULT
- 24 RELATIVE, THE SUCCESSOR GUARDIAN FILES ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT
- 25 IN THE COURT IN WHICH THE WILL IS PROBATED.

- 1 (3) THIS STATE SHALL RECOGNIZE A TESTAMENTARY APPOINTMENT
- 2 EFFECTED BY FILING ACCEPTANCE UNDER A WILL PROBATED AT THE
- 3 TESTATOR'S DOMICILE IN ANOTHER STATE.
- 4 (4) ON THE FILING WITH THE COURT IN WHICH THE WILL WAS PRO-
- 5 BATED OF WRITTEN OBJECTION TO THE APPOINTMENT BY THE PERSON FOR
- 6 WHOM A TESTAMENTARY APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN IS MADE, THE APPOINT-
- 7 MENT IS TERMINATED. AN OBJECTION SHALL NOT PREVENT APPOINTMENT
- 8 BY THE COURT OF THE TESTAMENTARY NOMINEE OR ANY OTHER SUITABLE
- 9 PERSON IN PROCEEDINGS UNDER THIS SECTION AND SECTIONS 9342 TO
- 10 9357.
- 11 SEC. 9342. THE VENUE FOR GUARDIANSHIP PROCEEDINGS FOR A
- 12 LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON IS IN THE PLACE WHERE THE LEGALLY
- 13 INCAPACITATED PERSON RESIDES OR IS PRESENT. IF THE LEGALLY INCA-
- 14 PACITATED PERSON IS ADMITTED TO AN INSTITUTION PURSUANT TO THE
- 15 ORDER OF A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION, VENUE IS ALSO IN THE
- 16 COUNTY IN WHICH THAT COURT IS LOCATED.
- 17 SEC. 9343. (1) A PERSON IN HIS OR HER OWN BEHALF, OR ANY
- 18 PERSON INTERESTED IN THE PERSON'S WELFARE, MAY PETITION FOR A
- 19 FINDING OF INCAPACITY AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN. THE PETI-
- 20 TION SHALL CONTAIN SPECIFIC FACTS ABOUT THE PERSON'S CONDITION
- 21 AND SPECIFIC EXAMPLES OF THE PERSON'S RECENT CONDUCT THAT DEMON-
- 22 STRATE THE NEED FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN.
- 23 (2) UPON THE FILING OF A PETITION, THE COURT SHALL SET A
- 24 DATE FOR HEARING ON THE ISSUES OF INCAPACITY AND UNLESS THE
- 25 ALLEGEDLY INCAPACITATED PERSON HAS LEGAL COUNSEL OF HIS OR HER
- 26 OWN CHOICE, THE COURT SHALL APPOINT A GUARDIAN AD LITEM TO
- 27 REPRESENT THE PERSON IN THE PROCEEDING.

- 1 (3) IF NECESSARY, THE COURT MAY ORDER THAT A PERSON ALLEGED
- 2 TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED BE EXAMINED BY A PHYSICIAN OR MENTAL
- 3 HEALTH PROFESSIONAL APPOINTED BY THE COURT WHO SHALL SUBMIT A
- 4 REPORT IN WRITING TO THE COURT AT LEAST 5 DAYS BEFORE THE
- 5 HEARING. A REPORT PREPARED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT
- 6 BE MADE A PART OF THE PUBLIC RECORD OF THE PROCEEDING, BUT SHALL
- 7 BE AVAILABLE TO THE COURT OR AN APPELLATE COURT TO WHICH THE PRO-
- 8 CEEDINGS ARE SUBJECT TO REVIEW, TO THE ALLEGED LEGALLY INCAPACI-
- 9 TATED PERSON, THE PETITIONER, THEIR LEGAL COUNSELS, AND TO OTHER
- 10 PERSONS AS THE COURT DIRECTS, AND MAY BE USED PURSUANT TO THE
- 11 MICHIGAN RULES OF EVIDENCE.
- 12 (4) THE ALLEGED LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON HAS THE RIGHT,
- 13 AT HIS OR HER OWN EXPENSE, OR IF INDIGENT, AT THE EXPENSE OF THE
- 14 STATE, TO SECURE AN INDEPENDENT EVALUATION. COMPENSATION FOR AN
- 15 INDEPENDENT EVALUATION AT PUBLIC EXPENSE SHALL BE IN AN AMOUNT
- 16 THAT, BASED UPON TIME AND EXPENSE, THE COURT APPROVES AS
- 17 REASONABLE.
- 18 (5) A REPORT PREPARED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL CONTAIN
- 19 ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 20 (A) A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PHYSICAL OR PSYCHOLOGICAL
- 21 INFIRMITIES OF THE PERSON.
- 22 (B) AN EXPLANATION OF HOW AND TO WHAT EXTENT ANY INFIRMITIES
- 23 INTERFERE WITH THE ABILITY OF THE PERSON TO RECEIVE OR EVALUATE
- 24 INFORMATION IN MAKING DECISIONS.
- 25 (C) A LISTING OF ALL MEDICATIONS THE PERSON IS RECEIVING,
- 26 THE DOSAGE OF THE MEDICATIONS, AND A DESCRIPTION OF THE EFFECTS
- 27 EACH MEDICATION HAS UPON THE PERSON'S BEHAVIOR.

- 1 (D) A PROGNOSIS FOR IMPROVEMENT IN THE PERSON'S CONDITION
- 2 AND A RECOMMENDATION FOR THE MOST APPROPRIATE REHABILITATION
- 3 PLAN.
- 4 (E) THE SIGNATURES OF ALL PERSONS WHO PERFORMED THE EVALU-
- 5 ATIONS UPON WHICH THE REPORT IS BASED.
- 6 (6) THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED IS ENTI-
- 7 TLED TO BE PRESENT AT THE HEARING IN PERSON AND TO SEE OR HEAR
- 8 ALL EVIDENCE BEARING UPON THE PERSON'S CONDITION. IF THE PERSON
- 9 WISHES TO BE PRESENT AT THE HEARING, ALL PRACTICAL STEPS SHALL BE
- 10 TAKEN TO ENSURE HIS OR HER PRESENCE, INCLUDING, IF NECESSARY,
- 11 MOVING THE SITE OF THE HEARING.
- 12 (7) THE PERSON IS ENTITLED TO BE REPRESENTED BY LEGAL COUN-
- 13 SEL, TO PRESENT EVIDENCE, TO CROSS-EXAMINE WITNESSES, INCLUDING
- 14 THE COURT-APPOINTED PHYSICIAN OR MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL AND
- 15 THE VISITOR, AND TO TRIAL BY JURY.
- 16 (8) THE ISSUE MAY BE DETERMINED AT A CLOSED HEARING WITHOUT
- 17 A JURY IF REQUESTED BY THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACI-
- 18 TATED OR THAT PERSON'S LEGAL COUNSEL.
- 19 SEC. 9343A. (1) THE DUTIES OF A GUARDIAN AD LITEM SHALL
- 20 INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 21 (A) PERSONALLY VISITING THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY
- 22 INCAPACITATED.
- 23 (B) EXPLAINING TO THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACI-
- 24 TATED THE NATURE, PURPOSE, AND LEGAL EFFECTS OF THE APPOINTMENT
- 25 OF A GUARDIAN.
- 26 (C) EXPLAINING TO THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY
- 27 INCAPACITATED THE HEARING PROCEDURE AND THE PERSON'S RIGHTS IN

- 1 THE HEARING PROCEDURE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE RIGHT
- 2 TO CONTEST THE PETITION, TO REQUEST LIMITS ON THE GUARDIAN'S
- 3 POWERS, TO OBJECT TO A PARTICULAR PERSON BEING APPOINTED GUARDI-
- 4 AN, TO BE PRESENT AT THE HEARING, TO BE REPRESENTED BY LEGAL
- 5 COUNSEL, AND THAT LEGAL COUNSEL WILL BE APPOINTED FOR THE PERSON
- 6 IF HE OR SHE IS UNABLE TO AFFORD LEGAL COUNSEL.
- 7 (D) INFORMING THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED
- 8 OF THE NAME OF ANY PERSON KNOWN TO BE SEEKING APPOINTMENT AS
- 9 GUARDIAN.
- 10 (E) MAKING DETERMINATIONS, AND INFORMING THE COURT OF THOSE
- 11 DETERMINATIONS, ON ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 12 (i) WHETHER THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED
- 13 WISHES TO BE PRESENT AT THE HEARING.
- 14 (ii) WHETHER THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED
- 15 WISHES TO CONTEST THE PETITION.
- 16 (iii) WHETHER THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED
- 17 WISHES LIMITS PLACED ON THE GUARDIAN'S POWERS.
- 18 (iv) WHETHER THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED
- 19 OBJECTS TO A PARTICULAR PERSON BEING APPOINTED GUARDIAN.
- 20 (2) IF THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED WISHES
- 21 TO CONTEST THE PETITION, TO HAVE LIMITS PLACED ON THE GUARDIAN'S
- 22 POWERS, OR TO OBJECT TO A PARTICULAR PERSON BEING APPOINTED
- 23 GUARDIAN, THE COURT SHALL APPOINT LEGAL COUNSEL, IF LEGAL COUNSEL
- 24 HAS NOT BEEN SECURED, TO REPRESENT THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE
- 25 LEGALLY INCAPACITATED. IF THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCA-
- 26 PACITATED IS INDIGENT, THE STATE SHALL BEAR THE EXPENSE OF LEGAL
- 27 COUNSEL.

- 1 (3) IF THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED
- 2 REQUESTS LEGAL COUNSEL, OR IF THE GUARDIAN AD LITEM DETERMINES IT
- 3 IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE PERSON TO HAVE LEGAL COUNSEL, AND
- 4 IF LEGAL COUNSEL HAS NOT BEEN SECURED, THE COURT SHALL APPOINT
- 5 LEGAL COUNSEL. IF THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED
- 6 IS INDIGENT, THE STATE SHALL BEAR THE EXPENSE OF LEGAL COUNSEL.
- 7 (4) IF THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED HAS
- 8 LEGAL COUNSEL APPOINTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE
- 9 APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN AD LITEM SHALL TERMINATE.
- 10 SEC. 9344. (1) THE COURT MAY APPOINT A GUARDIAN IF IT IS
- 11 SATISFIED BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE THAT THE PERSON FOR
- 12 WHOM A GUARDIAN IS SOUGHT IS A LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON, AND
- 13 THAT THE APPOINTMENT IS NECESSARY AS A MEANS OF PROVIDING CON-
- 14 TINUING CARE AND SUPERVISION OF THE PERSON OF THE LEGALLY INCA-
- 15 PACITATED PERSON. ALTERNATELY, THE COURT MAY DISMISS THE PRO-
- 16 CEEDING, OR MAY ENTER ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE ORDER.
- 17 (2) A GUARDIAN SHALL BE GRANTED ONLY THOSE POWERS AND ONLY
- 18 FOR THAT PERIOD OF TIME AS IS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEMON-
- 19 STRATED NEED OF THE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON, AND THE GUARD-
- 20 IANSHIP SHALL BE DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF MAXIMUM
- 21 SELF-RELIANCE AND INDEPENDENCE IN THE PERSON. A COURT ORDER
- 22 ESTABLISHING A GUARDIANSHIP SHALL SPECIFY ANY LIMITATIONS ON THE
- 23 GUARDIAN'S POWERS AND ANY TIME LIMITS ON THE GUARDIANSHIP.
- 24 (3) IF IT IS FOUND BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE THAT THE
- 25 PERSON IS LEGALLY INCAPACITATED AND LACKS THE CAPACITY TO DO
- 26 SOME, BUT NOT ALL, OF THE TASKS NECESSARY TO CARE FOR HIMSELF OR
- 27 HERSELF, THE COURT MAY APPOINT A LIMITED GUARDIAN TO PROVIDE

- 1 GUARDIANSHIP SERVICES TO THE PERSON, BUT THE COURT SHALL NOT
- 2 APPOINT A FULL GUARDIAN.
- 3 (4) IF IT IS FOUND BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE THAT THE
- 4 PERSON IS LEGALLY INCAPACITATED AND IS TOTALLY WITHOUT CAPACITY
- 5 TO CARE FOR HIMSELF OR HERSELF, THE COURT SHALL SPECIFY THAT
- 6 FINDING OF FACT IN ANY ORDER AND MAY APPOINT A FULL GUARDIAN.
- 7 SEC. 9345. BY ACCEPTING APPOINTMENT, A GUARDIAN PERSONALLY
- 8 SUBMITS TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT IN A PROCEEDING RELATING
- 9 TO THE GUARDIANSHIP THAT MAY BE INSTITUTED BY AN INTERESTED
- 10 PERSON. NOTICE OF A PROCEEDING SHALL BE DELIVERED TO THE GUARD-
- 11 IAN OR MAILED TO THE GUARDIAN BY FIRST CLASS MAIL AT THE
- 12 GUARDIAN'S ADDRESS AS LISTED IN THE COURT RECORDS AND TO HIS OR
- 13 HER ADDRESS AS THEN KNOWN TO THE PETITIONER.
- 14 SEC. 9346. THE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY OF A GUARDIAN
- 15 FOR A LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON TERMINATES UPON THE DEATH OF
- 16 THE GUARDIAN OR WARD, THE DETERMINATION OF INCAPACITY OF THE
- 17 GUARDIAN, OR UPON REMOVAL OR RESIGNATION AS PROVIDED IN
- 18 SECTION 9347. TESTAMENTARY APPOINTMENT UNDER A WILL PROBATED
- 19 PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 3 OF THE REVISED PROBATE CODE, ACT NO. 642 OF
- 20 THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, BEING SECTIONS 700.301 TO 700.362 OF THE
- 21 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, TERMINATES IF THE WILL IS LATER DENIED
- 22 PROBATE UNDER A SUPERVISED PROBATE PROCEEDING.
- 23 SEC. 9346A. THE COURT SHALL REVIEW A GUARDIANSHIP NOT LATER
- 24 THAN I YEAR AFTER THE APPOINTMENT OF THE GUARDIAN AND NOT LATER
- 25 THAN EVERY 3 YEARS THEREAFTER.
- 26 SEC. 9347. (1) ON PETITION OF THE GUARDIAN AND SUBJECT TO
- 27 THE FILING AND APPROVAL OF A REPORT PREPARED PURSUANT TO

- 1 SECTION 9355(1)(E), THE COURT SHALL ACCEPT THE GUARDIAN'S
- 2 RESIGNATION AND MAKE ANY OTHER ORDER WHICH MAY BE APPROPRIATE.
- 3 (2) THE WARD OR A PERSON INTERESTED IN THE WARD'S WELFARE
- 4 MAY PETITION FOR AN ORDER REMOVING THE GUARDIAN, APPOINTING A
- 5 SUCCESSOR GUARDIAN, MODIFYING THE TERMS OF THE GUARDIANSHIP, OR
- 6 TERMINATING THE GUARDIANSHIP. A REQUEST FOR AN ORDER UNDER THIS
- 7 SUBSECTION MAY BE MADE BY INFORMAL LETTER TO THE COURT OR JUDGE.
- 8 A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY INTERFERES WITH TRANSMISSION OF A REQUEST
- 9 TO THE COURT OR JUDGE FOR AN ORDER UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS
- 10 SUBJECT TO A FINDING OF CONTEMPT OF COURT. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE
- 11 PROVIDED IN THE ORDER FINDING LEGAL INCAPACITY, UPON RECEIVING A
- 12 PETITION OR REQUEST, THE COURT SHALL SET A DATE FOR A HEARING TO
- 13 BE HELD WITHIN 28 DAYS AFTER THE RECEIPT OF THE PETITION OR
- 14 REQUEST. AN ORDER FINDING LEGAL INCAPACITY MAY SPECIFY A MINIMUM
- 15 PERIOD, NOT EXCEEDING 180 DAYS, DURING WHICH A PETITION OR
- 16 REQUEST FOR A FINDING THAT A WARD IS NO LONGER LEGALLY INCAPACI-
- 17 TATED OR AN ORDER REMOVING THE GUARDIAN, MODIFYING THE TERMS OF
- 18 THE GUARDIANSHIP, OR TERMINATING THE GUARDIANSHIP, MAY NOT BE
- 19 FILED WITHOUT SPECIAL LEAVE OF THE COURT.
- 20 (3) BEFORE REMOVING A GUARDIAN, APPOINTING A SUCCESSOR
- 21 GUARDIAN, MODIFYING THE TERMS OF THE GUARDIANSHIP, OR TERMINATING
- 22 A GUARDIANSHIP, THE COURT, FOLLOWING THE SAME PROCEDURES TO SAFE-
- 23 GUARD THE RIGHTS OF THE WARD AS APPLY TO A PETITION FOR APPOINT-
- 24 MENT OF A GUARDIAN, MAY SEND A VISITOR TO THE RESIDENCE OF THE
- 25 PRESENT GUARDIAN AND TO THE PLACE WHERE THE WARD RESIDES OR IS
- 26 DETAINED, TO OBSERVE CONDITIONS AND REPORT IN WRITING TO THE
- 27 COURT.

- 1 SEC. 9349. A VISITOR IS, WITH RESPECT TO GUARDIANSHIP
- 2 PROCEEDINGS, A PERSON WHO IS TRAINED IN LAW, NURSING, OR SOCIAL
- 3 WORK; IS AN OFFICER, EMPLOYEE, OR SPECIAL APPOINTEE OF THE COURT;
- 4 AND HAS NO PERSONAL INTEREST IN THE PROCEEDINGS.
- 5 SEC. 9351. (1) IN A PROCEEDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OR
- 6 REMOVAL OF A GUARDIAN OF A LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON OTHER
- 7 THAN THE APPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY GUARDIAN OR TEMPORARY SUSPEN-
- 8 SION OF A GUARDIAN, NOTICE OF HEARING SHALL BE GIVEN TO EACH OF
- 9 THE FOLLOWING:
- 10 (A) THE WARD OR THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACI-
- 11 TATED AND THAT PERSON'S SPOUSE, PARENTS, AND ADULT CHILDREN.
- 12 (B) A PERSON WHO IS SERVING AS THE GUARDIAN, CONSERVATOR, OR
- 13 WHO HAS THE PERSON'S CARE AND CUSTODY.
- 14 (C) IF KNOWN, A PERSON NAMED AS ATTORNEY IN FACT UNDER A
- 15 DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY.
- 16 (D) IN CASE NO OTHER PERSON IS NOTIFIED UNDER SUBDIVISION
- 17 (A), AT LEAST 1 OF THE PERSON'S CLOSEST ADULT RELATIVES, IF ANY
- 18 CAN BE FOUND.
- 19 (2) NOTICE SHALL BE SERVED PERSONALLY ON THE ALLEGED LEGALLY
- 20 INCAPACITATED PERSON. NOTICE TO ALL OTHER PERSONS SHALL BE GIVEN
- 21 AS PRESCRIBED BY COURT RULE. WAIVER OF NOTICE BY THE PERSON
- 22 ALLEGED TO BE INCAPACITATED IS NOT EFFECTIVE UNLESS THE PERSON
- 23 ATTENDS THE HEARING OR A WAIVER OF NOTICE IS CONFIRMED IN AN
- 24 INTERVIEW WITH THE VISITOR.
- 25 (3) IN A PROCEEDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN UNDER
- 26 SECTION 9343, A COPY OF THE PETITION SHALL BE ATTACHED TO THE

- 1 NOTICE OF HEARING, AND THE NOTICE TO THE ALLEGED INCAPACITATED
- 2 PERSON SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
- 3 (A) THE NATURE, PURPOSE, AND LEGAL EFFECTS OF THE APPOINT-
- 4 MENT OF A GUARDIAN.
- 5 (B) THE RIGHTS OF THE ALLEGED INCAPACITATED PERSON IN THE
- 6 PROCEEDING, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO APPOINTED LEGAL COUNSEL.
- 7 SEC. 9353. (1) IF A PERSON DOES NOT HAVE A GUARDIAN, AN
- 8 EMERGENCY EXISTS, AND NO OTHER PERSON APPEARS TO HAVE AUTHORITY
- 9 TO ACT IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE COURT SHALL PROVIDE NOTICE TO
- 10 THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED AND SHALL HOLD A
- 11 HEARING. UPON A SHOWING THAT THE PERSON IS LEGALLY INCAPACI-
- 12 TATED, THE COURT MAY EXERCISE THE POWER OF A GUARDIAN, OR APPOINT
- 13 A TEMPORARY GUARDIAN WITH ONLY SUCH POWERS AND FOR SUCH PERIOD OF
- 14 TIME AS MAY BE ORDERED BY THE COURT. A HEARING WITH NOTICE AS
- 15 PROVIDED IN SECTION 9351 SHALL BE HELD WITHIN 28 DAYS AFTER THE
- 16 COURT HAS ACTED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION.
- 17 (2) IF AN APPOINTED GUARDIAN IS NOT EFFECTIVELY PERFORMING
- 18 HIS OR HER DUTIES AND THE COURT FURTHER FINDS THAT THE WELFARE OF
- 19 THE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON REQUIRES IMMEDIATE ACTION, IT
- 20 MAY APPOINT, WITH OR WITHOUT NOTICE, A TEMPORARY GUARDIAN FOR THE
- 21 LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON FOR A SPECIFIED PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED
- 22 6 MONTHS.
- 23 (3) A TEMPORARY GUARDIAN IS ENTITLED TO THE CARE AND CUSTODY
- 24 OF THE WARD AND THE AUTHORITY OF ANY PERMANENT GUARDIAN PREVI-
- 25 OUSLY APPOINTED BY THE COURT IS SUSPENDED AS LONG AS A TEMPORARY
- 26 GUARDIAN HAS AUTHORITY. A TEMPORARY GUARDIAN MAY BE REMOVED AT
- 27 ANY TIME. A TEMPORARY GUARDIAN SHALL MAKE REPORTS AS REQUIRED BY

- 1 THE COURT. IN OTHER RESPECTS THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT
- 2 CONCERNING GUARDIANS APPLY TO TEMPORARY GUARDIANS.
- 3 SEC. 9354. (1) ANY COMPETENT PERSON MAY BE APPOINTED GUARD-
- 4 IAN OF A LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON. THE COURT SHALL NOT
- 5 APPOINT AS GUARDIAN ANY AGENCY, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, WHICH FINAN-
- 6 CIALLY BENEFITS FROM DIRECTLY PROVIDING HOUSING, MEDICAL, OR
- 7 SOCIAL SERVICES TO THE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON.
- 8 (2) IN APPOINTING A GUARDIAN UNDER THIS SECTION, THE COURT
- 9 SHALL APPOINT A PERSON, IF SUITABLE AND WILLING TO SERVE, DESIG-
- 10 NATED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF THE PETITION. IF A
- 11 SPECIFIC DESIGNATION IS NOT MADE OR A PERSON DESIGNATED IS NOT
- 12 SUITABLE OR WILLING TO SERVE, THE COURT MAY APPOINT AS GUARDIAN A
- 13 PERSON NAMED AS ATTORNEY IN FACT THROUGH A DURABLE POWER OF
- 14 ATTORNEY.
- 15 (3) IF A PERSON IS NOT DESIGNATED UNDER SUBSECTION (2) OR A
- 16 PERSON DESIGNATED UNDER SUBSECTION (2) IS NOT SUITABLE OR WILLING
- 17 TO SERVE, THE COURT MAY APPOINT AS A GUARDIAN A PERSON WHO IS
- 18 RELATED TO THE SUBJECT OF THE PETITION, IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER OF
- 19 PREFERENCE:
- 20 (A) THE SPOUSE OF THE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON, INCLUD-
- 21 ING A PERSON NOMINATED BY WILL OR OTHER WRITING SIGNED BY A
- 22 DECEASED SPOUSE.
- 23 (B) AN ADULT CHILD OF THE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON.
- 24 (C) A PARENT OF THE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON, INCLUDING
- 25 A PERSON NOMINATED BY WILL OR OTHER WRITING SIGNED BY A DECEASED
- 26 PARENT.

- 1 (D) A RELATIVE OF THE LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON WITH WHOM
- 2 THE PERSON HAS RESIDED FOR MORE THAN 6 MONTHS BEFORE THE FILING
- 3 OF THE PETITION.
- 4 (E) A PERSON NOMINATED BY THE PERSON WHO IS CARING FOR THE
- 5 PERSON OR PAYING BENEFITS TO THE PERSON.
- 6 (4) IF NONE OF THE PERSONS LISTED IN SUBSECTION (3) IS SUIT-
- 7 ABLE OR WILLING TO SERVE, THE COURT MAY APPOINT ANY COMPETENT
- 8 PERSON WHO IS SUITABLE AND WILLING TO SERVE.
- 9 SEC. 9355. (1) EXCEPT AS LIMITED UNDER SECTION 9344(3), A
- 10 GUARDIAN OF A LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
- 11 CARE, CUSTODY, AND CONTROL OF THE WARD, BUT IS NOT LIABLE TO
- 12 THIRD PERSONS BY REASON OF THAT RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACTS OF THE
- 13 WARD. IN PARTICULAR, AND WITHOUT QUALIFYING THE FOREGOING, A
- 14 GUARDIAN HAS THE FOLLOWING POWERS AND DUTIES, EXCEPT AS MODIFIED
- 15 BY ORDER OF THE COURT:
- 16 (A) TO THE EXTENT THAT IT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF AN
- 17 ORDER BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION RELATING TO DETENTION
- 18 OR COMMITMENT OF THE WARD, THE GUARDIAN IS ENTITLED TO CUSTODY OF
- 19 THE PERSON OF HIS OR HER WARD AND MAY ESTABLISH THE WARD'S PLACE
- 20 OF RESIDENCE WITHIN OR WITHOUT THIS STATE. THE GUARDIAN SHALL
- 21 NOTIFY THE COURT WITHIN 14 DAYS OF ANY CHANGE IN THE WARD'S PLACE
- 22 OF RESIDENCE.
- 23 (B) IF ENTITLED TO CUSTODY OF THE WARD THE GUARDIAN SHALL
- 24 MAKE PROVISION FOR THE CARE, COMFORT, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE WARD
- 25 AND, WHEN APPROPRIATE, ARRANGE FOR THE WARD'S TRAINING AND
- 26 EDUCATION. THE GUARDIAN SHALL HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF
- 27 SECURING SERVICES TO RESTORE THE WARD TO THE BEST POSSIBLE STATE

- 1 OF MENTAL AND PHYSICAL WELL-BEING SO THAT THE WARD CAN RETURN TO
- 2 SELF-MANAGEMENT AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME. WITHOUT REGARD TO
- 3 CUSTODIAL RIGHTS OF THE WARD'S PERSON, THE GUARDIAN SHALL TAKE
- 4 REASONABLE CARE OF THE WARD'S CLOTHING, FURNITURE, VEHICLES, AND
- 5 OTHER PERSONAL EFFECTS AND COMMENCE PROTECTIVE PROCEEDINGS IF
- 6 OTHER PROPERTY OF THE WARD IS IN NEED OF PROTECTION.
- 7 (C) A GUARDIAN MAY GIVE ANY CONSENT OR APPROVAL THAT MAY BE
- 8 NECESSARY TO ENABLE THE WARD TO RECEIVE MEDICAL OR OTHER PROFES-
- 9 SIONAL CARE, COUNSEL, TREATMENT, OR SERVICE.
- 10 (D) IF A CONSERVATOR FOR THE ESTATE OF THE WARD IS NOT
- 11 APPOINTED, A GUARDIAN MAY:
- 12 (i) INSTITUTE PROCEEDINGS TO COMPEL A PERSON UNDER A DUTY TO
- 13 SUPPORT THE WARD OR TO PAY SUMS FOR THE WELFARE OF THE WARD TO
- 14 PERFORM THAT DUTY.
- 15 (ii) RECEIVE MONEY AND TANGIBLE PROPERTY DELIVERABLE TO THE
- 16 WARD AND APPLY THE MONEY AND PROPERTY FOR SUPPORT, CARE, AND EDU-
- 17 CATION OF THE WARD. THE GUARDIAN MAY NOT USE FUNDS FROM THE
- 18 WARD'S ESTATE FOR ROOM AND BOARD WHICH THE GUARDIAN OR THE
- 19 GUARDIAN'S SPOUSE, PARENT, OR CHILD HAVE FURNISHED THE WARD
- 20 UNLESS A CHARGE FOR THE SERVICE IS APPROVED BY ORDER OF THE COURT
- 21 MADE UPON NOTICE TO AT LEAST 1 OF THE NEXT OF KIN OF THE INCOMPE-
- 22 TENT WARD, IF NOTICE IS POSSIBLE. THE GUARDIAN SHALL EXERCISE
- 23 CARE TO CONSERVE ANY EXCESS FOR THE WARD'S NEEDS.
- 24 (E) TO REPORT THE CONDITION OF THE WARD AND OF THE ESTATE
- 25 WHICH IS SUBJECT TO THE GUARDIAN'S POSSESSION OR CONTROL, AS
- 26 REQUIRED BY THE COURT, BUT NOT LESS OFTEN THAN ANNUALLY. A
- 27 REPORT SHALL CONTAIN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 1 (i) THE WARD'S CURRENT MENTAL, PHYSICAL, AND SOCIAL
- 2 CONDITION.
- 3 (ii) ANY IMPROVEMENT OR DETERIORATION IN THE WARD'S MENTAL,
- 4 PHYSICAL, AND SOCIAL CONDITION THAT HAS OCCURRED DURING THE PAST
- 5 YEAR.
- 6 (iii) THE WARD'S PRESENT LIVING ARRANGEMENT AND ANY CHANGES
- 7 IN HIS OR HER LIVING ARRANGEMENT THAT HAVE OCCURRED DURING THE
- 8 PAST YEAR.
- 9 (iv) WHETHER THE GUARDIAN RECOMMENDS A MORE SUITABLE LIVING
- 10 ARRANGEMENT FOR THE WARD.
- 11 (ν) ANY MEDICAL TREATMENT RECEIVED BY THE WARD.
- 12 (vi) SERVICES RECEIVED BY THE WARD.
- 13 (vii) A LIST OF THE GUARDIAN'S VISITS WITH, AND ACTIVITIES
- 14 ON BEHALF OF, THE WARD.
- 15 (viii) A RECOMMENDATION AS TO THE NEED FOR CONTINUED
- 16 GUARDIANSHIP.
- 17 (F) IF A CONSERVATOR IS APPOINTED, THE WARD'S ESTATE
- 18 RECEIVED BY THE GUARDIAN IN EXCESS OF THOSE FUNDS EXPENDED TO
- 19 MEET CURRENT EXPENSES FOR SUPPORT, CARE, AND EDUCATION OF THE
- 20 WARD SHALL BE PAID TO THE CONSERVATOR FOR MANAGEMENT AS PROVIDED
- 21 IN THIS ACT, AND THE GUARDIAN SHALL ACCOUNT TO THE CONSERVATOR
- 22 FOR FUNDS EXPENDED.
- 23 (2) A GUARDIAN OF A PERSON FOR WHOM A CONSERVATOR ALSO IS
- 24 APPOINTED SHALL CONTROL THE CUSTODY AND CARE OF THE WARD AND IS
- 25 ENTITLED TO RECEIVE REASONABLE SUMS FOR HIS OR HER SERVICES AND
- 26 FOR ROOM AND BOARD FURNISHED TO THE WARD AS AGREED UPON BETWEEN
- 27 THE GUARDIAN AND THE CONSERVATOR IF THE AMOUNTS AGREED UPON ARE

- 1 REASONABLE UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES. THE GUARDIAN MAY REQUEST THE
- 2 CONSERVATOR TO EXPEND THE WARD'S ESTATE BY PAYMENT TO THIRD PER-
- 3 SONS OR INSTITUTIONS FOR THE WARD'S CARE AND MAINTENANCE.
- 4 (3) IF A WARD DIES WHILE UNDER GUARDIANSHIP, AND A CONSERVA-
- 5 TOR HAS NOT BEEN APPOINTED FOR THE ESTATE OF THE WARD, AND IF THE
- 6 GUARDIAN HAS POSSESSION OF ANY MONEY OF THE DECEASED WARD, THE
- 7 COURT MAY, UPON PETITION OF THE GUARDIAN AND WITH OR WITHOUT
- 8 NOTICE, HEAR A CLAIM FOR BURIAL EXPENSE OR ANY OTHER CLAIM AS THE
- 9 COURT CONSIDERS ADVISABLE. UPON HEARING THE CLAIM, THE COURT MAY
- 10 ENTER AN ORDER ALLOWING OR DISALLOWING THE CLAIM OR ANY PART OF
- 11 IT AND PROVIDE IN THE ORDER OF ALLOWANCE THAT THE CLAIM OR ANY
- 12 PART OF IT BE PAID IMMEDIATELY IF THE PAYMENT CAN BE MADE WITHOUT
- 13 INJURY OR SERIOUS INCONVENIENCE TO THE WARD'S ESTATE.
- 14 SEC. 9356. TO ENCOURAGE SELF-RELIANCE AND INDEPENDENCE IN A
- 15 LEGALLY INCAPACITATED PERSON, THE COURT MAY AUTHORIZE THE INDI-
- 16 VIDUAL TO FUNCTION WITHOUT THE CONSENT OR SUPERVISION OF THE
- 17 PERSON'S GUARDIAN OR CONSERVATOR IN THE HANDLING OF PART OF HIS
- 18 OR HER MONEY OR OTHER PROPERTY, INCLUDING THE MAINTENANCE OF A
- 19 SAVINGS OR CHECKING ACCOUNT IN A BANK OR OTHER INSTITUTION, AND
- 20 TO THE EXTENT AUTHORIZED ANY PERSON MAY DEAL WITH THAT INDIVIDUAL
- 21 AS THOUGH THE INDIVIDUAL WERE MENTALLY COMPETENT.
- 22 SEC. 9357. (1) THE COURT IN THE COUNTY WHERE THE WARD
- 23 RESIDES HAS CONCURRENT JURISDICTION WITH THE COURT WHICH
- 24 APPOINTED THE GUARDIAN OR THE COURT IN WHICH ACCEPTANCE OF A TES-
- 25 TAMENTARY APPOINTMENT WAS FILED, OVER RESIGNATION, REMOVAL,
- 26 ACCOUNTING, AND OTHER PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO THE GUARDIANSHIP.

- 1 (2) IF THE COURT IN THE COUNTY WHERE THE WARD RESIDES IS NOT
- 2 THE COURT IN WHICH THE ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT IS FILED, THE
- 3 COURT IN WHICH PROCEEDINGS SUBSEQUENT TO APPOINTMENT ARE COM-
- 4 MENCED IN APPROPRIATE CASES SHALL NOTIFY THE OTHER COURT, IN THIS
- 5 OR ANOTHER STATE, AND AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THAT COURT SHALL
- 6 DETERMINE WHETHER TO RETAIN JURISDICTION OR TRANSFER THE PROCEED-
- 7 INGS TO THE OTHER COURT, WHICHEVER IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF
- 8 THE WARD. AFTER THIS DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE, THE COURT
- 9 ACCEPTING A RESIGNATION OR REMOVING A GUARDIAN SHALL DIRECT THIS
- 10 FIDUCIARY TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT A FINAL REPORT TO BOTH COURTS. A
- 11 COPY OF AN ORDER ACCEPTING A RESIGNATION OR REMOVING A GUARDIAN
- 12 AND A COPY OF THE FINAL REPORT SHALL BE SENT TO THE COURT IN
- 13 WHICH ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT IS FILED. THE COURT ENTERING
- 14 THIS ORDER MAY PERMIT CLOSING OF THE GUARDIANSHIP IN THE COURT IN
- 15 WHICH ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT IS FILED, WITHOUT NOTICE TO
- 16 INTERESTED PERSONS.
- 17 SEC. 9361. UPON PETITION AND AFTER NOTICE AND HEARING PUR-
- 18 SUANT TO THIS SECTION AND SECTIONS 9362 TO 9391, THE COURT MAY
- 19 APPOINT A CONSERVATOR OR MAKE OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER FOR CAUSE AS
- 20 FOLLOWS:
- 21 (A) APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER
- 22 MAY BE MADE IN RELATION TO THE ESTATE AND AFFAIRS OF A MINOR IF
- 23 THE COURT DETERMINES THAT THE MINOR OWNS MONEY OR PROPERTY THAT
- 24 REQUIRES MANAGEMENT OR PROTECTION WHICH CANNOT OTHERWISE BE PRO-
- 25 VIDED, HAS OR MAY HAVE BUSINESS AFFAIRS WHICH MAY BE JEOPARDIZED
- 26 OR PREVENTED BY THE PERSON'S MINORITY, OR THAT FUNDS ARE NEEDED

- 1 FOR THE PERSON'S SUPPORT AND EDUCATION AND THAT PROTECTION IS
- 2 NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE TO OBTAIN, RETAIN, OR PROVIDE FUNDS.
- 3 (B) APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER
- 4 MAY BE MADE IN RELATION TO THE ESTATE AND AFFAIRS OF A PERSON IF
- 5 THE COURT DETERMINES THAT THE PERSON IS UNABLE TO MANAGE HIS OR
- 6 HER PROPERTY AND AFFAIRS EFFECTIVELY FOR REASONS SUCH AS MENTAL
- 7 ILLNESS, MENTAL INCOMPETENCY, PHYSICAL ILLNESS OR DISABILITY,
- 8 CHRONIC USE OF DRUGS, CHRONIC INTOXICATION, CONFINEMENT, DETEN-
- 9 TION BY A FOREIGN POWER, OR DISAPPEARANCE; AND THE PERSON HAS
- 10 PROPERTY WHICH WILL BE WASTED OR DISSIPATED UNLESS PROPER MANAGE-
- 11 MENT IS PROVIDED, OR THAT FUNDS ARE NEEDED FOR THE SUPPORT, CARE,
- 12 AND WELFARE OF THE PERSON OR THOSE ENTITLED TO BE SUPPORTED BY
- 13 THE PERSON AND THAT PROTECTION IS NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE TO
- 14 OBTAIN OR PROVIDE FUNDS.
- 15 (C) APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR MAY BE MADE IN RELATION TO
- 16 THE ESTATE AND AFFAIRS OF A PERSON WHO IS MENTALLY COMPETENT, BUT
- 17 DUE TO AGE OR PHYSICAL INFIRMITY IS UNABLE TO MANAGE HIS OR HER
- 18 PROPERTY AND AFFAIRS EFFECTIVELY AND WHO, RECOGNIZING THIS DIS-
- 19 ABILITY, REQUESTS APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR.
- 20 SEC. 9362. AFTER THE SERVICE OF NOTICE IN A PROCEEDING
- 21 SEEKING THE APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE
- 22 ORDER AND UNTIL TERMINATION OF THE PROCEEDING, THE COURT IN WHICH
- 23 THE PETITION IS FILED HAS:
- 24 (A) EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION TO DETERMINE THE NEED FOR A CON-
- 25 SERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER UNTIL THE PROCEEDINGS ARE
- 26 TERMINATED.

- 1 (B) EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION TO DETERMINE HOW THE ESTATE OF
- 2 THE PROTECTED PERSON WHICH IS SUBJECT TO THE LAWS OF THIS STATE
- 3 SHALL BE MANAGED, EXPENDED, OR DISTRIBUTED TO OR FOR THE USE OF
- 4 THE PROTECTED PERSON OR ANY OF THE PROTECTED PERSON'S
- 5 DEPENDENTS.
- 6 (C) CONCURRENT JURISDICTION TO DETERMINE THE VALIDITY OF
- 7 CLAIMS AGAINST THE PERSON OR ESTATE OF THE PROTECTED PERSON AND
- 8 HIS OR HER TITLE TO ANY PROPERTY OR CLAIM.
- 9 SEC. 9363. VENUE FOR PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTIONS 9361
- 10 TO 9391 IS:
- 11 (A) IN THE PLACE IN THIS STATE WHERE THE PERSON TO BE PRO-
- 12 TECTED RESIDES, WHETHER OR NOT A GUARDIAN IS APPOINTED IN ANOTHER
- 13 PLACE.
- 14 (B) IF THE PERSON TO BE PROTECTED DOES NOT RESIDE IN THIS
- 15 STATE, IN ANY PLACE WHERE THE PERSON HAS PROPERTY.
- 16 SEC. 9364. (1) THE PERSON TO BE PROTECTED, A PERSON WHO IS
- 17 INTERESTED IN THAT PERSON'S ESTATE, AFFAIRS, OR WELFARE INCLUDING
- 18 HIS OR HER PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, OR A PERSON WHO WOULD
- 19 BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY LACK OF EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF THE
- 20 PROPERTY AND AFFAIRS OF THE PERSON TO BE PROTECTED MAY PETITION
- 21 FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR OR FOR OTHER APPROPRIATE
- 22 PROTECTIVE ORDER. HOWEVER, IF THE PERSON TO BE PROTECTED IS MEN-
- 23 TALLY COMPETENT BUT DUE TO AGE OR PHYSICAL INFIRMITY DESIRES THE
- 24 APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR TO ASSIST IN THE MANAGEMENT OF HIS
- 25 OR HER PROPERTY AND AFFAIRS, ONLY THAT PERSON MAY PETITION FOR
- 26 THE APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR.

- 1 (2) THE PETITION SHALL SET FORTH TO THE EXTENT KNOWN, THE
- 2 INTEREST OF THE PETITIONER; THE NAME, AGE, RESIDENCE, AND ADDRESS
- 3 OF THE PERSON TO BE PROTECTED; THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF HIS OR HER
- 4 GUARDIAN; THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF HIS OR HER NEAREST RELATIVE
- 5 KNOWN TO THE PETITIONER; A GENERAL STATEMENT OF HIS OR HER PROP-
- 6 ERTY WITH AN ESTIMATE OF THE VALUE OF THE PROPERTY, INCLUDING ANY
- 7 COMPENSATION, INSURANCE, PENSION, OR ALLOWANCE TO WHICH THE
- 8 PERSON IS ENTITLED; AND THE REASON WHY APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVA-
- 9 TOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER IS NECESSARY. IF THE APPOINTMENT
- 10 OF A CONSERVATOR IS REQUESTED, THE PETITION SHALL SET FORTH THE
- 11 NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON WHOSE APPOINTMENT IS SOUGHT AND
- 12 THE BASIS OF THAT PERSON'S PRIORITY FOR APPOINTMENT.
- 13 SEC. 9365. ON A PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR
- 14 OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER, THE PERSON TO BE PROTECTED AND THE
- 15 PERSON'S SPOUSE OR, IF NONE, THE PERSON'S PARENTS, SHALL BE
- 16 SERVED PERSONALLY WITH NOTICE OF THE PROCEEDING AT LEAST 10 DAYS
- 17 BEFORE THE DATE OF HEARING IF THEY CAN BE FOUND WITHIN THE STATE.
- 18 OR, IF THEY CANNOT BE FOUND WITHIN THE STATE, THEY SHALL BE GIVEN
- 19 NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY COURT RULE. WAIVER BY THE PERSON TO BE
- 20 PROTECTED IS NOT EFFECTIVE UNLESS THE PERSON ATTENDS THE HEARING,
- 21 OR, IF MINORITY IS NOT THE REASON FOR THE PROCEEDING, UNLESS
- 22 WAIVER IS CONFIRMED IN AN INTERVIEW WITH A VISITOR OR GUARDIAN AD
- 23 LITEM.
- 24 SEC. 9367. (1) UPON RECEIPT OF A PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT
- 25 OF A CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER BECAUSE OF MINORITY,
- 26 THE COURT SHALL SET A DATE FOR HEARING ON THE MATTERS ALLEGED IN
- 27 THE PETITION. IF, AT ANY TIME IN THE PROCEEDING, THE COURT

- 1 DETERMINES THAT THE INTERESTS OF THE MINOR ARE OR MAY BE
- 2 INADEQUATELY REPRESENTED, THE COURT MAY APPOINT AN ATTORNEY TO
- 3 REPRESENT THE MINOR, GIVING CONSIDERATION TO THE CHOICE OF THE
- 4 MINOR IF 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. AN ATTORNEY APPOINTED BY THE
- 5 COURT TO REPRESENT A MINOR HAS THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF A GUARD-
- 6 IAN AD LITEM.
- 7 (2) UPON RECEIPT OF A PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF A CONSER-
- 8 VATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER FOR REASONS OTHER THAN MINORITY,
- 9 THE COURT SHALL SET A DATE FOR HEARING. UNLESS THE PERSON TO BE
- 10 PROTECTED HAS PRIVATE COUNSEL, OR UNLESS THE PERSON TO BE PRO-
- 11 TECTED IS MENTALLY COMPETENT BUT AGED OR PHYSICALLY INFIRM, THE
- 12 COURT SHALL APPOINT A GUARDIAN AD LITEM TO REPRESENT THE PERSON.
- 13 IF THE ALLEGED DISABILITY IS MENTAL ILLNESS, MENTAL INCOMPETENCY,
- 14 PHYSICAL ILLNESS OR DISABILITY, CHRONIC USE OF DRUGS, OR CHRONIC
- 15 INTOXICATION, THE COURT MAY DIRECT THAT THE PERSON TO BE PRO-
- 16 TECTED BE EXAMINED BY A PHYSICIAN DESIGNATED BY THE COURT, PREF-
- 17 ERABLY A PHYSICIAN WHO IS NOT CONNECTED WITH AN INSTITUTION IN
- 18 WHICH THE PERSON IS A PATIENT OR IS DETAINED. THE COURT MAY SEND
- 19 A VISITOR TO INTERVIEW THE PERSON TO BE PROTECTED. THE VISITOR
- 20 MAY BE A GUARDIAN AD LITEM OR AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE
- 21 COURT.
- 22 (3) AFTER HEARING, UPON FINDING THAT A BASIS FOR THE
- 23 APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER IS ESTAB-
- 24 LISHED, THE COURT SHALL MAKE AN APPOINTMENT OR OTHER APPROPRIATE
- 25 PROTECTIVE ORDER.

- 1 SEC. 9368. (1) THE COURT HAS THE FOLLOWING POWERS WHICH MAY
- 2 BE EXERCISED DIRECTLY OR THROUGH A CONSERVATOR WITH RESPECT TO
- 3 THE ESTATE AND AFFAIRS OF PROTECTED PERSONS:
- 4 (A) WHILE A PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR OR
- 5 OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER IS PENDING AND AFTER PRELIMINARY HEARING
- 6 AND WITHOUT NOTICE TO OTHERS, THE COURT MAY PRESERVE AND APPLY
- 7 THE PROPERTY OF THE PERSON TO BE PROTECTED AS MAY BE REQUIRED FOR
- 8 THE PERSON'S BENEFIT OR THE BENEFIT OF THE PERSON'S DEPENDENTS.
- 9 (B) AFTER A HEARING, AND UPON DETERMINING THAT A BASIS FOR
- 10 AN APPOINTMENT OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER EXISTS WITH RESPECT TO A
- 11 MINOR WITHOUT OTHER DISABILITY, THE COURT HAS ALL THOSE POWERS
- 12 OVER THE ESTATE AND AFFAIRS OF THE MINOR WHICH ARE OR MAY BE NEC-
- 13 ESSARY FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE MINOR, THE MINOR'S FAMILY,
- 14 AND MEMBERS OF THE MINOR'S HOUSEHOLD.
- 15 (C) AFTER A HEARING, AND UPON DETERMINING THAT A BASIS FOR
- 16 AN APPOINTMENT OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER EXISTS WITH RESPECT TO A
- 17 PERSON FOR REASONS OTHER THAN MINORITY, THE COURT, FOR THE BENE-
- 18 FIT OF THE PERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE PERSON'S HOUSEHOLD, HAS ALL
- 19 THE POWERS OVER THE PERSON'S ESTATE AND AFFAIRS WHICH THE PERSON
- 20 COULD EXERCISE IF PRESENT AND NOT UNDER DISABILITY, EXCEPT THE
- 21 POWER TO MAKE A WILL. THESE POWERS INCLUDE THE POWER TO MAKE
- 22 GIFTS, TO CONVEY OR RELEASE CONTINGENT AND EXPECTANT INTERESTS IN
- 23 PROPERTY INCLUDING MARITAL PROPERTY RIGHTS AND ANY RIGHT OF SUR-
- 24 VIVORSHIP INCIDENT TO JOINT TENANCY OR TENANCY BY THE ENTIRETY,
- 25 TO EXERCISE OR RELEASE POWERS AS TRUSTEE, PERSONAL REPRESENTA-
- 26 TIVE, CUSTODIAN FOR MINORS, CONSERVATOR, OR DONEE OF A POWER OF
- 27 APPOINTMENT, TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS, TO CREATE REVOCABLE OR

- 1 IRREVOCABLE TRUSTS OF PROPERTY OF THE ESTATE WHICH MAY EXTEND
- 2 BEYOND DISABILITY OR LIFE, TO EXERCISE OPTIONS OF THE DISABLED
- 3 PERSON TO PURCHASE SECURITIES OR OTHER PROPERTY, TO EXERCISE
- 4 RIGHTS TO ELECT OPTIONS AND CHANGE BENEFICIARIES UNDER INSURANCE
- 5 AND ANNUITY POLICIES AND TO SURRENDER THE POLICIES FOR THEIR CASH
- 6 VALUE, TO EXERCISE THE RIGHT TO AN ELECTIVE SHARE IN THE ESTATE
- 7 OF A DECEASED SPOUSE, AND TO RENOUNCE ANY INTEREST BY TESTATE OR
- 8 INTESTATE SUCCESSION OR BY INTER VIVOS TRANSFER.
- 9 (D) THE COURT MAY EXERCISE, OR DIRECT THE EXERCISE OF, ITS
- 10 AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE OR RELEASE POWERS OF APPOINTMENT OF WHICH
- 11 THE PROTECTED PERSON IS DONEE, TO RENOUNCE INTERESTS, TO MAKE
- 12 GIFTS IN TRUST OR OTHERWISE EXCEEDING 20% OF ANY YEAR'S INCOME OF
- 13 THE ESTATE, OR TO CHANGE BENEFICIARIES UNDER INSURANCE AND ANNU-
- 14 ITY POLICIES, ONLY IF SATISFIED, AFTER NOTICE AND HEARING, THAT
- 15 IT IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE PROTECTED PERSON, AND THAT THE
- 16 PERSON IS INCAPABLE OF CONSENTING OR HAS CONSENTED TO THE PRO-
- 17 POSED EXERCISE OF POWER.
- 18 (2) AN ORDER MADE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION DETERMINING THAT
- 19 A BASIS FOR APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE
- 20 ORDER EXISTS, DOES NOT AFFECT THE CAPACITY OF THE PROTECTED
- 21 PERSON.
- 22 (3) TO ENCOURAGE THE SELF-RELIANCE AND INDEPENDENCE OF A
- 23 PROTECTED PERSON, THE COURT MAY AUTHORIZE THE INDIVIDUAL TO FUNC-
- 24 TION WITHOUT THE CONSENT OR SUPERVISION OF THE PERSON'S CONSERVA-
- 25 TOR IN THE HANDLING OF PART OF HIS OR HER MONEY OR PROPERTY,
- 26 INCLUDING THE MAINTENANCE OF A SAVINGS OR CHECKING ACCOUNT IN A
- 27 BANK OR OTHER INSTITUTION, AND, TO THE EXTENT AUTHORIZED, ANY

- 1 PERSON MAY DEAL WITH THAT INDIVIDUAL AS THOUGH THE INDIVIDUAL
- 2 WERE MENTALLY COMPETENT.
- 3 SEC. 9369. (1) IF IT IS ESTABLISHED IN A PROPER PROCEEDING
- 4 THAT A BASIS EXISTS AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 9361 FOR AFFECTING
- 5 THE PROPERTY AND AFFAIRS OF A PERSON, THE COURT, WITHOUT APPOINT-
- 6 ING A CONSERVATOR, MAY AUTHORIZE, DIRECT, OR RATIFY A TRANSACTION
- 7 NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE TO ACHIEVE ANY SECURITY, SERVICE, OR CARE
- 8 ARRANGEMENT MEETING THE FORESEEABLE NEEDS OF THE PROTECTED
- 9 PERSON. PROTECTIVE ARRANGEMENTS INCLUDE PAYMENT, DELIVERY,
- 10 DEPOSIT, OR RETENTION OF FUNDS OR PROPERTY, SALE, MORTGAGE, LEASE
- 11 OR OTHER TRANSFER OF PROPERTY, ENTRY INTO AN ANNUITY CONTRACT, A
- 12 CONTRACT FOR LIFE CARE, A DEPOSIT CONTRACT, A CONTRACT FOR TRAIN-
- 13 ING AND EDUCATION, OR ADDITION TO OR ESTABLISHMENT OF A SUITABLE
- 14 TRUST.
- 15 (2) WHEN IT IS ESTABLISHED IN A PROPER PROCEEDING THAT A
- 16 BASIS EXISTS AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 9361 FOR AFFECTING THE PROP-
- 17 ERTY AND AFFAIRS OF A PERSON, THE COURT, WITHOUT APPOINTING A
- 18 CONSERVATOR, MAY AUTHORIZE, DIRECT, OR RATIFY A CONTRACT, TRUST,
- 19 OR OTHER TRANSACTION RELATING TO THE PROTECTED PERSON'S FINANCIAL
- 20 AFFAIRS OR INVOLVING THE PERSON'S ESTATE IF THE COURT DETERMINES
- 21 THAT THE TRANSACTION IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE PROTECTED
- 22 PERSON.
- 23 (3) BEFORE APPROVING A PROTECTIVE ARRANGEMENT OR OTHER
- 24 TRANSACTION UNDER THIS SECTION, THE COURT SHALL CONSIDER THE
- 25 INTERESTS OF CREDITORS AND DEPENDENTS OF THE PROTECTED PERSON
- 26 AND, IN VIEW OF THE PERSON'S DISABILITY, WHETHER THE PROTECTED
- 27 PERSON NEEDS THE CONTINUING PROTECTION OF A CONSERVATOR. THE

- 1 COURT MAY APPOINT A SPECIAL CONSERVATOR TO ASSIST IN THE
- 2 ACCOMPLISHMENT OF ANY PROTECTIVE ARRANGEMENT OR OTHER TRANSACTION
- 3 AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SECTION WHO SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY CON-
- 4 FERRED BY THE ORDER AND SERVE UNTIL DISCHARGED BY ORDER AFTER
- 5 REPORT TO THE COURT OF ALL MATTERS DONE PURSUANT TO THE ORDER OF
- 6 APPOINTMENT.
- 7 SEC. 9370. (1) THE COURT MAY APPOINT AN INDIVIDUAL OR A
- 8 CORPORATION WITH GENERAL POWER TO SERVE AS TRUSTEE OR AS CONSER-
- 9 VATOR OF THE ESTATE OF A PROTECTED PERSON. THE FOLLOWING ARE
- 10 ENTITLED TO CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE ORDER LISTED:
- 11 (A) A CONSERVATOR, GUARDIAN OF PROPERTY, OR OTHER IDENTICAL
- 12 FIDUCIARY APPOINTED OR RECOGNIZED BY THE APPROPRIATE COURT OF
- 13 ANOTHER JURISDICTION IN WHICH THE PROTECTED PERSON RESIDES.
- 14 (B) AN INDIVIDUAL OR CORPORATION NOMINATED BY THE PROTECTED
- 15 PERSON IF THE PROTECTED PERSON IS 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND,
- 16 IN THE OPINION OF THE COURT, HAS SUFFICIENT MENTAL CAPACITY TO
- 17 MAKE AN INTELLIGENT CHOICE.
- 18 (C) THE SPOUSE OF THE PROTECTED PERSON.
- (D) AN ADULT CHILD OF THE PROTECTED PERSON.
- 20 (E) A PARENT OF THE PROTECTED PERSON, OR A PERSON NOMINATED
- 21 BY THE WILL OF A DECEASED PARENT.
- 22 (F) A RELATIVE OF THE PROTECTED PERSON WITH WHOM THE PERSON
- 23 HAS RESIDED FOR MORE THAN 6 MONTHS BEFORE THE FILING OF THE
- 24 PETITION.
- 25 (G) A PERSON NOMINATED BY THE PERSON WHO IS CARING FOR THE
- 26 PROTECTED PERSON OR PAYING BENEFITS TO THE PROTECTED PERSON.

- 1 (2) A PERSON DESCRIBED IN A PRIORITY UNDER
- 2 SUBSECTION (1)(A), (C), (D), (E), OR (F) MAY NOMINATE IN WRITING
- 3 A PERSON TO SERVE IN THE PERSON'S STEAD. WITH RESPECT TO PERSONS
- 4 HAVING EOUAL PRIORITY, THE COURT SHALL SELECT THE PERSON BEST
- 5 QUALIFIED OF THOSE WILLING TO SERVE. THE COURT, FOR GOOD CAUSE,
- 6 MAY PASS OVER A PERSON HAVING PRIORITY AND APPOINT A PERSON
- 7 HAVING LESS PRIORITY OR NO PRIORITY.
- 8 SEC. 9371. THE COURT MAY REQUIRE A CONSERVATOR TO FURNISH A
- 9 BOND CONDITIONED UPON FAITHFUL DISCHARGE OF THE DUTIES OF THE
- 10 TRUST ACCORDING TO LAW, WITH SURETIES AS THE COURT SPECIFIES.
- 11 UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED, THE BOND SHALL BE IN THE AMOUNT OF THE
- 12 AGGREGATE CAPITAL VALUE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE ESTATE IN THE
- 13 PERSON'S CONTROL PLUS 1 YEAR'S ESTIMATED INCOME MINUS THE VALUE
- 14 OF SECURITIES DEPOSITED UNDER ARRANGEMENTS REQUIRING AN ORDER OF
- 15 THE COURT FOR THEIR REMOVAL AND THE VALUE OF LAND WHICH THE FIDU-
- 16 CIARY, BY EXPRESS LIMITATION OF POWER, LACKS POWER TO SELL OR
- 17 CONVEY WITHOUT COURT AUTHORIZATION. THE COURT, INSTEAD OF SURE-
- 18 TIES ON A BOND, MAY ACCEPT OTHER SECURITY FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF
- 19 THE BOND, INCLUDING A PLEDGE OF SECURITIES OR A MORTGAGE OF
- 20 LAND.
- 21 SEC. 9372. (1) THE FOLLOWING APPLY TO A BOND REQUIRED UNDER
- 22 SECTION 9371:
- 23 (A) UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY THE TERMS OF THE APPROVED
- 24 BOND, SURETIES ARE JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY LIABLE WITH THE CONSER-
- 25 VATOR AND WITH EACH OTHER.
- 26 (B) BY EXECUTING AN APPROVED BOND OF A CONSERVATOR, THE
- 27 SURETY CONSENTS TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT WHICH ISSUED

- 1 LETTERS TO THE PRIMARY OBLIGOR IN EACH PROCEEDING PERTAINING TO
- 2 THE FIDUCIARY DUTIES OF THE CONSERVATOR AND NAMING THE SURETY AS
- 3 A PARTY DEFENDANT. NOTICE OF A PROCEEDING SHALL BE DELIVERED TO
- 4 THE SURETY OR MAILED TO THE SURETY BY REGISTERED MAIL AT THE
- 5 SURETY'S ADDRESS AS LISTED WITH THE COURT WHERE THE BOND IS FILED
- 6 AND TO THE SURETY'S ADDRESS AS THEN KNOWN TO THE PETITIONER.
- 7 (C) ON PETITION OF A SUCCESSOR CONSERVATOR OR AN INTERESTED
- 8 PERSON, A PROCEEDING MAY BE INITIATED AGAINST A SURETY FOR BREACH
- 9 OF THE OBLIGATION OF THE BOND OF THE CONSERVATOR.
- (D) THE BOND OF THE CONSERVATOR IS NOT VOID AFTER THE FIRST
- 11 RECOVERY BUT MAY BE PROCEEDED AGAINST UNTIL THE ENTIRE PENALTY IS
- 12 EXHAUSTED.
- 13 (2) A PROCEEDING MAY NOT BE COMMENCED AGAINST THE SURETY ON
- 14 A MATTER AS TO WHICH AN ACTION OR PROCEEDING AGAINST THE PRIMARY
- 15 OBLIGOR IS BARRED BY ADJUDICATION OR LIMITATION.
- 16 SEC. 9373. BY ACCEPTING APPOINTMENT, A CONSERVATOR SUBMITS
- 17 PERSONALLY TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT IN A PROCEEDING
- 18 RELATING TO THE ESTATE THAT MAY BE INSTITUTED BY AN INTERESTED
- 19 PERSON. NOTICE OF A PROCEEDING SHALL BE DELIVERED TO THE CONSER-
- 20 VATOR, OR MAILED TO THE CONSERVATOR BY REGISTERED MAIL AT THE
- 21 CONSERVATOR'S ADDRESS AS LISTED IN THE PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT
- 22 OR AS THEREAFTER REPORTED TO THE COURT AND TO THE CONSERVATOR'S
- 23 ADDRESS AS THEN KNOWN TO THE PETITIONER.
- 24 SEC. 9374. IF NOT OTHERWISE COMPENSATED FOR SERVICES
- 25 RENDERED, A GUARDIAN AD LITEM, VISITOR, ATTORNEY, PHYSICIAN, CON-
- 26 SERVATOR, OR SPECIAL CONSERVATOR APPOINTED IN A PROTECTIVE

- 1 PROCEEDING IS ENTITLED TO REASONABLE COMPENSATION FROM THE
- 2 ESTATE.
- 3 SEC. 9375. THE COURT MAY REMOVE A CONSERVATOR FOR GOOD
- 4 CAUSE, UPON NOTICE AND HEARING OR ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF A
- 5 CONSERVATOR. AFTER THE CONSERVATOR'S DEATH, RESIGNATION, OR
- 6 REMOVAL, THE COURT MAY APPOINT ANOTHER CONSERVATOR. A CONSERVA-
- 7 TOR SO APPOINTED SUCCEEDS TO THE TITLE AND POWERS OF HIS OR HER
- 8 PREDECESSOR.
- 9 SEC. 9376. (1) A PERSON INTERESTED IN THE WELFARE OF A
- 10 PERSON FOR WHOM A CONSERVATOR IS APPOINTED MAY FILE A PETITION IN
- 11 THE APPOINTING COURT FOR AN ORDER:
- 12 (A) REQUIRING BOND OR SECURITY OR ADDITIONAL BOND OR SECURI-
- 13 TY, OR REDUCING BOND.
- 14 (B) REQUIRING AN ACCOUNTING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE
- 15 TRUST.
- 16 (C) DIRECTING DISTRIBUTION.
- 17 (D) REMOVING THE CONSERVATOR AND APPOINTING A TEMPORARY OR
- 18 SUCCESSOR CONSERVATOR.
- 19 (E) GRANTING OTHER APPROPRIATE RELIEF.
- 20 (2) A CONSERVATOR MAY PETITION THE APPOINTING COURT FOR
- 21 INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING HIS OR HER FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY.
- 22 (3) UPON NOTICE AND HEARING, THE COURT MAY GIVE APPROPRIATE
- 23 INSTRUCTIONS OR MAKE ANY APPROPRIATE ORDER.
- 24 SEC. 9377. IN THE EXERCISE OF HIS OR HER POWERS, A CONSER-
- 25 VATOR IS TO ACT AS A FIDUCIARY AND SHALL OBSERVE THE STANDARDS OF
- 26 CARE APPLICABLE TO FIDUCIARIES AS DESCRIBED BY ARTICLE 5 OF THE

- 1 REVISED PROBATE CODE, ACT NO. 642 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978,
- 2 BEING SECTIONS 700.501 TO 700.598 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 3 SEC. 9378. WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER HIS OR HER APPOINTMENT, A
- 4 CONSERVATOR SHALL PREPARE AND FILE WITH THE APPOINTING COURT A
- 5 COMPLETE INVENTORY OF THE ESTATE OF THE PROTECTED PERSON TOGETHER
- 6 WITH AN OATH OR AFFIRMATION THAT IT IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE SO
- 7 FAR AS THE CONSERVATOR IS INFORMED. THE CONSERVATOR SHALL PRO-
- 8 VIDE A COPY OF THE INVENTORY TO THE PROTECTED PERSON IF THE PRO-
- 9 TECTED PERSON CAN BE LOCATED, IS 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, AND
- 10 HAS SUFFICIENT MENTAL CAPACITY TO UNDERSTAND THESE MATTERS AND TO
- 11 ANY PARENT OR GUARDIAN WITH WHOM THE PROTECTED PERSON RESIDES.
- 12 THE CONSERVATOR SHALL KEEP SUITABLE RECORDS OF THE ADMINISTRATION
- 13 AND EXHIBIT THE RECORDS ON REQUEST OF AN INTERESTED PERSON.
- 14 SEC. 9379. A CONSERVATOR SHALL ACCOUNT TO THE COURT FOR THE
- 15 ADMINISTRATION OF THE TRUST UPON RESIGNATION OR REMOVAL AND AT
- 16 OTHER TIMES AS THE COURT DIRECTS. ON TERMINATION OF THE PRO-
- 17 TECTED PERSON'S MINORITY OR DISABILITY, A CONSERVATOR MAY ACCOUNT
- 18 TO THE COURT, OR MAY ACCOUNT TO THE FORMER PROTECTED PERSON OR TO
- 19 THAT PERSON'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE. SUBJECT TO APPEAL OR
- 20 VACATION WITHIN THE TIME PERMITTED, AN ORDER, MADE UPON NOTICE
- 21 AND HEARING, ALLOWING AN INTERMEDIATE ACCOUNT OF A CONSERVATOR,
- 22 ADJUDICATES AS TO THE CONSERVATOR'S LIABILITIES CONCERNING THE
- 23 MATTERS CONSIDERED IN CONNECTION WITH THE LIABILITIES, AND AN
- 24 ORDER, MADE UPON NOTICE AND HEARING, ALLOWING A FINAL ACCOUNT,
- 25 ADJUDICATES AS TO THE PREVIOUSLY UNSETTLED LIABILITIES OF THE
- 26 CONSERVATOR TO THE PROTECTED PERSON OR TO THAT PERSON'S
- 27 SUCCESSORS RELATING TO THE CONSERVATORSHIP. IN CONNECTION WITH

- 1 AN ACCOUNT, THE COURT MAY REQUIRE A CONSERVATOR TO SUBMIT TO A
- 2 PHYSICAL CHECK OF THE ESTATE IN THE CONSERVATOR'S CONTROL, TO BE
- 3 MADE IN A MANNER SPECIFIED BY THE COURT.
- 4 SEC. 9380. THE APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR VESTS IN THE
- 5 CONSERVATOR TITLE AS TRUSTEE TO THE PROPERTY OF THE PROTECTED
- 6 PERSON, HELD AT THE TIME OF THE APPOINTMENT OR ACQUIRED AFTER THE
- 7 APPOINTMENT, INCLUDING TITLE TO PROPERTY HELD FOR THE PROTECTED
- 8 PERSON BY A CUSTODIAN OR ATTORNEY IN FACT. THE APPOINTMENT OF A
- 9 CONSERVATOR IS NOT A TRANSFER OR ALIENATION WITHIN THE MEANING OF
- 10 GENERAL PROVISIONS OF A FEDERAL OR STATE STATUTE OR RULE, INSUR-
- 11 ANCE POLICY, PENSION PLAN, CONTRACT, WILL OR TRUST INSTRUMENT
- 12 IMPOSING RESTRICTIONS UPON OR PENALTIES FOR TRANSFER OR ALIEN-
- 13 ATION BY THE PROTECTED PERSON OF THAT PERSON'S RIGHTS OR INTER-
- 14 EST, BUT THIS SECTION DOES NOT RESTRICT THE ABILITY OF PERSONS TO
- 15 MAKE SPECIFIC PROVISION BY CONTRACT OR DEPOSITIVE INSTRUMENT
- 16 RELATING TO A CONSERVATOR.
- 17 SEC. 9381. A LETTER OF CONSERVATORSHIP IS EVIDENCE OF
- 18 TRANSFER OF THE ASSETS OF A PROTECTED PERSON TO THE CONSERVATOR.
- 19 AN ORDER TERMINATING A CONSERVATORSHIP IS EVIDENCE OF TRANSFER OF
- 20 THE ASSETS OF THE ESTATE FROM THE CONSERVATOR TO THE PROTECTED
- 21 PERSON, OR THE PERSON'S SUCCESSORS. SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS
- 22 OF LAW GOVERNING THE FILING OR RECORDATION OF DOCUMENTS OF TITLE
- 23 TO LAND OR OTHER PROPERTY, A LETTER OF CONSERVATORSHIP OR AN
- 24 ORDER TERMINATING A CONSERVATORSHIP MAY BE FILED OR RECORDED TO
- 25 GIVE RECORD NOTICE OF TITLE AS BETWEEN THE CONSERVATOR AND THE
- 26 PROTECTED PERSON.

- 1 SEC. 9382. A SALE OR ENCUMBRANCE TO A CONSERVATOR, THE
- 2 CONSERVATOR'S SPOUSE, AGENT, OR ATTORNEY, OR A CORPORATION OR
- 3 TRUST IN WHICH THE CONSERVATOR HAS A SUBSTANTIAL BENEFICIAL
- 4 INTEREST, OR A TRANSACTION WHICH IS AFFECTED BY A SUBSTANTIAL
- 5 CONFLICT OF INTEREST IS VOIDABLE UNLESS THE TRANSACTION IS
- 6 APPROVED BY THE COURT AFTER NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS AND
- 7 OTHERS AS DIRECTED BY THE COURT.
- 8 SEC. 9383. A PERSON WHO IN GOOD FAITH ASSISTS A CONSERVATOR
- 9 OR DEALS WITH A CONSERVATOR FOR VALUE IN A TRANSACTION OTHER THAN
- 10 THOSE REQUIRING A COURT ORDER AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 9368, IS
- 11 PROTECTED AS IF THE CONSERVATOR PROPERLY EXERCISED THE POWER.
- 12 THE FACT THAT A PERSON KNOWINGLY DEALS WITH A CONSERVATOR DOES
- 13 NOT ALONE REQUIRE THE PERSON TO INQUIRE INTO THE EXISTENCE OF A
- 14 POWER OR THE PROPRIETY OF ITS EXERCISE, EXCEPT THAT RESTRICTIONS
- 15 ON THE POWERS OF A CONSERVATOR WHICH ARE INDORSED ON THE LETTERS
- 16 OF APPOINTMENT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 9386 ARE EFFECTIVE AS TO A
- 17 THIRD PERSON. A PERSON IS NOT BOUND TO SEE TO THE PROPER APPLI-
- 18 CATION OF ESTATE ASSETS PAID OR DELIVERED TO A CONSERVATOR. THE
- 19 PROTECTION EXPRESSED IN THIS SECTION EXTENDS TO AN INSTANCE IN
- 20 WHICH SOME PROCEDURAL IRREGULARITY OR JURISDICTIONAL DEFECT
- 21 OCCURRED IN A PROCEEDING LEADING TO THE ISSUANCE OF A LETTER.
- 22 THE PROTECTION EXPRESSED IN THIS SECTION IS NOT TO BE SUBSTITUTED
- 23 FOR THAT PROVIDED BY COMPARABLE PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS RELATING
- 24 TO COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS AND LAWS SIMPLIFYING TRANSFERS OF
- 25 SECURITIES BY FIDUCIARIES.
- 26 SEC. 9384. (1) A CONSERVATOR HAS THE POWERS CONFERRED IN
- 27 THIS CHAPTER. IN ADDITION, A CONSERVATOR OF THE ESTATE OF AN

- 1 UNMARRIED MINOR AS TO WHOM NO PERSON HAS PARENTAL RIGHTS, HAS THE
- 2 DUTIES AND POWERS OF A GUARDIAN OF A MINOR DESCRIBED IN
- 3 SECTION 9369 UNTIL THE MINOR MARRIES BUT THE PARENTAL RIGHTS SO
- 4 CONFERRED ON A CONSERVATOR DO NOT PRECLUDE APPOINTMENT OF A
- 5 GUARDIAN AS PROVIDED BY SECTIONS 9321 TO 9337.
- 6 (2) A CONSERVATOR, WITHOUT COURT AUTHORIZATION OR CONFIRMA-
- 7 TION, MAY INVEST AND REINVEST FUNDS OF THE ESTATE AS WOULD A
- 8 TRUSTEE.
- 9 (3) A CONSERVATOR, ACTING REASONABLY IN EFFORTS TO ACCOM-
- 10 PLISH THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH HE OR SHE WAS APPOINTED, MAY ACT
- 11 WITHOUT COURT AUTHORIZATION OR CONFIRMATION TO:
- 12 (A) COLLECT, HOLD, AND RETAIN ASSETS OF THE ESTATE, INCLUD-
- 13 ING LAND IN ANOTHER STATE, UNTIL IN THE CONSERVATOR'S JUDGMENT,
- 14 DISPOSITION OF THE ASSETS SHOULD BE MADE, WHICH ASSETS MAY BE
- 15 RETAINED EVEN THOUGH THEY INCLUDE AN ASSET IN WHICH THE CONSERVA-
- 16 TOR IS PERSONALLY INTERESTED.
- 17 (B) RECEIVE ADDITIONS TO THE ESTATE.
- 18 (C) CONTINUE OR PARTICIPATE IN THE OPERATION OF A BUSINESS
- 19 OR OTHER ENTERPRISE.
- 20 (D) ACQUIRE AN UNDIVIDED INTEREST IN AN ESTATE ASSET IN
- 21 WHICH THE CONSERVATOR, IN A FIDUCIARY CAPACITY, HOLDS AN UNDI-
- 22 VIDED INTEREST.
- 23 (E) INVEST AND REINVEST ESTATE ASSETS PURSUANT TO
- 24 SUBSECTION (2).
- 25 (F) DEPOSIT ESTATE FUNDS IN A BANK INCLUDING A BANK OPERATED
- 26 BY THE CONSERVATOR.

- (G) ACQUIRE OR DISPOSE OF AN ESTATE ASSET INCLUDING LAND IN
- 2 ANOTHER STATE FOR CASH OR ON CREDIT, AT PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SALE;
- 3 OR MANAGE, DEVELOP, IMPROVE, EXCHANGE, PARTITION, CHANGE THE
- 4 CHARACTER OF, OR ABANDON AN ESTATE ASSET.
- 5 (H) MAKE AN ORDINARY OR EXTRAORDINARY REPAIR OR ALTERATION
- 6 IN A BUILDING OR OTHER STRUCTURE: DEMOLISH AN IMPROVEMENT; OR
- 7 RAZE EXISTING OR ERECT A NEW PARTY WALL OR BUILDING.
- 8 (I) SUBDIVIDE, DEVELOP, OR DEDICATE LAND TO PUBLIC USE; MAKE
- 9 OR OBTAIN THE VACATION OF A PLAT AND ADJUST BOUNDARIES; ADJUST A
- 10 DIFFERENCE IN VALUATION ON EXCHANGE OR TO PARTITION BY GIVING OR
- 11 RECEIVING CONSIDERATION; OR DEDICATE AN EASEMENT TO PUBLIC USE
- 12 WITHOUT CONSIDERATION.
- 13 (J) ENTER INTO A LEASE AS LESSOR OR LESSEE WITH OR WITHOUT
- 14 OPTION TO PURCHASE OR RENEW FOR A TERM WITHIN OR EXTENDING BEYOND
- 15 THE TERM OF THE CONSERVATORSHIP.
- 16 (K) ENTER INTO A LEASE OR ARRANGEMENT FOR EXPLORATION AND
- 17 REMOVAL OF MINERALS OR OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES OR ENTER INTO A
- 18 POOLING OR UNITIZATION AGREEMENT.
- 19 (1) GRANT AN OPTION INVOLVING DISPOSITION OF AN ESTATE ASSET
- 20 OR TO TAKE AN OPTION FOR THE ACQUISITION OF AN ASSET.
- 21 (M) VOTE A SECURITY, IN PERSON OR BY GENERAL OR LIMITED
- 22 PROXY.
- 23 (N) PAY CALLS, ASSESSMENTS, AND OTHER SUMS CHARGEABLE OR
- 24 ACCRUING AGAINST OR ON ACCOUNT OF SECURITIES.
- 25 (O) SELL OR EXERCISE A STOCK SUBSCRIPTION OR CONVERSION
- 26 RIGHT; OR CONSENT, DIRECTLY OR THROUGH A COMMITTEE OR OTHER

- 1 AGENT, TO THE REORGANIZATION, CONSOLIDATION, MERGER, DISSOLUTION,
- 2 OR LIQUIDATION OF A CORPORATION OR OTHER BUSINESS ENTERPRISE.
- 3 (P) HOLD A SECURITY IN THE NAME OF A NOMINEE OR IN OTHER
- 4 FORM WITHOUT DISCLOSURE OF THE CONSERVATORSHIP SO THAT TITLE TO
- 5 THE SECURITY MAY PASS BY DELIVERY. THE CONSERVATOR IS LIABLE FOR
- 6 ANY ACT OF THE NOMINEE IN CONNECTION WITH THE STOCK HELD.
- 7 (Q) INSURE THE ASSETS OF THE ESTATE AGAINST DAMAGE OR LOSS,
- 8 AND THE CONSERVATOR AGAINST LIABILITY WITH RESPECT TO A THIRD
- 9 PERSON.
- 10 (R) BORROW MONEY TO BE REPAID FROM ESTATE ASSETS OR OTHER-
- 11 WISE; OR ADVANCE MONEY FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE ESTATE OR THE
- 12 PROTECTED PERSON AND FOR THE EXPENSES, LOSSES, AND LIABILITY SUS-
- 13 TAINED IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OR BECAUSE OF THE
- 14 HOLDING OR OWNERSHIP OF ESTATE ASSETS. THE CONSERVATOR HAS A
- 15 LIEN ON THE ESTATE AS AGAINST THE PROTECTED PERSON FOR AN ADVANCE
- 16 SO MADE.
- 17 (S) PAY OR CONTEST A CLAIM; SETTLE A CLAIM BY OR AGAINST THE
- 18 ESTATE OR THE PROTECTED PERSON BY COMPROMISE, ARBITRATION, OR
- 19 OTHERWISE; OR RELEASE, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, A CLAIM BELONGING TO
- 20 THE ESTATE TO THE EXTENT THAT THE CLAIM IS UNCOLLECTIBLE.
- 21 (T) PAY TAXES, ASSESSMENTS, COMPENSATION OF THE CONSERVATOR,
- 22 AND OTHER EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE COLLECTION, CARE, ADMINISTRA-
- 23 TION, AND PROTECTION OF THE ESTATE.
- 24 (U) ALLOCATE ITEMS OF INCOME OR EXPENSE TO ESTATE INCOME OR
- 25 PRINCIPAL, AS PROVIDED BY LAW, INCLUDING CREATION OF RESERVES OUT
- 26 OF INCOME FOR DEPRECIATION, OBSOLESCENCE, OR AMORTIZATION, OR FOR
- 27 DEPLETION IN MINERAL OR TIMBER PROPERTIES.

- 1 (V) PAY A SUM DISTRIBUTABLE TO A PROTECTED PERSON OR THE
- 2 PERSON'S DEPENDENT WITHOUT LIABILITY TO THE CONSERVATOR, BY
- 3 PAYING THE SUM TO THE DISTRIBUTEE OR BY PAYING THE SUM FOR THE
- 4 USE OF THE DISTRIBUTEE TO HIS OR HER GUARDIAN OR, IF NONE, TO A
- 5 RELATIVE OR OTHER PERSON WITH CUSTODY OF HIS OR HER PERSON.
- 6 (W) EMPLOY PERSONS, INCLUDING ATTORNEYS, AUDITORS, INVEST-
- 7 MENT ADVISORS, OR AGENTS, EVEN IF THE PERSONS ARE ASSOCIATED WITH
- 8 THE CONSERVATOR, TO ADVISE OR ASSIST THE CONSERVATOR IN THE PER-
- 9 FORMANCE OF HIS OR HER ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES; ACT UPON THEIR REC-
- 10 OMMENDATION WITHOUT INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION; OR INSTEAD OF
- 11 ACTING PERSONALLY, TO EMPLOY 1 OR MORE AGENTS TO PERFORM AN ACT
- 12 OF ADMINISTRATION, WHETHER OR NOT DISCRETIONARY.
- 13 (X) PROSECUTE OR DEFEND ACTIONS, CLAIMS, OR PROCEEDINGS IN
- 14 ANY JURISDICTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF ESTATE ASSETS AND OF THE
- 15 CONSERVATOR IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS OR HER DUTIES.
- 16 (Y) EXECUTE AND DELIVER AN INSTRUMENT WHICH WILL ACCOMPLISH
- 17 OR FACILITATE THE EXERCISE OF THE POWERS VESTED IN THE
- 18 CONSERVATOR.
- 19 SEC. 9385. (1) A CONSERVATOR MAY EXPEND OR DISTRIBUTE
- 20 INCOME OR PRINCIPAL OF THE ESTATE WITHOUT COURT AUTHORIZATION OR
- 21 CONFIRMATION FOR THE SUPPORT, EDUCATION, CARE, OR BENEFIT OF THE
- 22 PROTECTED PERSON AND THE PERSON'S DEPENDENTS PURSUANT TO THE FOL-
- 23 LOWING PRINCIPLES:
- 24 (A) THE CONSERVATOR SHALL CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING
- 25 TO THE APPROPRIATE STANDARD OF SUPPORT, EDUCATION, AND BENEFIT
- 26 FOR THE PROTECTED PERSON MADE BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN. THE
- 27 CONSERVATOR MAY NOT BE SURCHARGED FOR SUMS PAID TO PERSONS OR

- 1 ORGANIZATIONS ACTUALLY FURNISHING SUPPORT, EDUCATION, OR CARE TO
- 2 THE PROTECTED PERSON PURSUANT TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF A PARENT
- 3 OR GUARDIAN OF THE PROTECTED PERSON UNLESS THE CONSERVATOR KNOWS
- 4 THAT THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN IS DERIVING PERSONAL FINANCIAL BENE-
- 5 FIT FROM THE SUMS PAID, INCLUDING RELIEF FROM A PERSONAL DUTY OF
- 6 SUPPORT, OR UNLESS THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE CLEARLY NOT IN THE
- 7 BEST INTERESTS OF THE PROTECTED PERSON.
- 8 (B) THE CONSERVATOR SHALL EXPEND OR DISTRIBUTE SUMS REASON-
- 9 ABLY NECESSARY FOR THE SUPPORT, EDUCATION, CARE, OR BENEFIT OF
- 10 THE PROTECTED PERSON WITH DUE REGARD TO THE SIZE OF THE ESTATE,
- 11 THE PROBABLE DURATION OF THE CONSERVATORSHIP AND THE LIKELIHOOD
- 12 THAT THE PROTECTED PERSON, AT SOME FUTURE TIME, MAY BE FULLY ABLE
- 13 TO MANAGE HIS OR HER AFFAIRS AND THE ESTATE WHICH IS CONSERVED
- 14 FOR THE PERSON; THE ACCUSTOMED STANDARD OF LIVING OF THE PRO-
- 15 TECTED PERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE PERSON'S HOUSEHOLD; AND OTHER
- 16 FUNDS OR SOURCES USED FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE PROTECTED PERSON.
- 17 (C) THE CONSERVATOR MAY EXPEND FUNDS OF THE ESTATE FOR THE
- 18 SUPPORT OF PERSONS LEGALLY DEPENDENT ON THE PROTECTED PERSON AND
- 19 OTHERS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE PROTECTED PERSON'S HOUSEHOLD WHO
- 20 ARE UNABLE TO SUPPORT THEMSELVES AND WHO ARE IN NEED OF SUPPORT.
- 21 (D) FUNDS EXPENDED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE PAID BY THE
- 22 CONSERVATOR TO A PERSON, INCLUDING THE PROTECTED PERSON, TO REIM-
- 23 BURSE FOR EXPENDITURES WHICH THE CONSERVATOR MIGHT HAVE MADE, OR
- 24 IN ADVANCE FOR SERVICES TO BE RENDERED TO THE PROTECTED PERSON
- 25 WHEN IT IS REASONABLE TO EXPECT THAT THE SERVICES WILL BE PER-
- 26 FORMED AND ADVANCE PAYMENTS ARE CUSTOMARY OR REASONABLY NECESSARY
- 27 UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

- 1 (2) IF THE ESTATE IS AMPLE TO PROVIDE FOR THE PURPOSES
- 2 IMPLICIT IN THE DISTRIBUTIONS AUTHORIZED BY SUBSECTION (1), A
- 3 CONSERVATOR FOR A PROTECTED PERSON OTHER THAN A MINOR MAY MAKE
- 4 GIFTS TO CHARITY AND OTHER OBJECTS AS THE PROTECTED PERSON MIGHT
- 5 HAVE BEEN EXPECTED TO MAKE, IN AMOUNTS WHICH DO NOT EXCEED IN
- 6 TOTAL FOR ANY YEAR 20% OF THE INCOME FROM THE ESTATE.
- 7 (3) WHEN A MINOR WHO IS NOT ADJUDGED DISABLED UNDER
- 8 SECTION 9361(B) ATTAINS MAJORITY, THE CONSERVATOR, AFTER MEETING
- 9 THE PRIOR CLAIMS AND EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION, SHALL PAY OVER
- 10 AND DISTRIBUTE THE FUNDS AND PROPERTIES TO THE FORMER PROTECTED
- 11 PERSON AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
- 12 (4) WHEN THE CONSERVATOR IS SATISFIED THAT A PROTECTED
- 13 PERSON'S DISABILITY OTHER THAN MINORITY HAS CEASED, THE CONSERVA-
- 14 TOR, AFTER MEETING THE PRIOR CLAIMS AND EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRA-
- 15 TION, SHALL PAY OVER AND DISTRIBUTE THE FUNDS AND PROPERTIES TO
- 16 THE FORMER PROTECTED PERSON AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
- 17 SEC. 9386. SUBJECT TO THE RESTRICTIONS IN
- 18 SECTION 9368(1)(D), THE COURT MAY CONFER ON A CONSERVATOR AT THE
- 19 TIME OF APPOINTMENT OR LATER, IN ADDITION TO THE POWERS CONFERRED
- 20 BY SECTIONS 9384 AND 9385, A POWER WHICH THE COURT ITSELF COULD
- 21 EXERCISE UNDER SECTION 9368(1)(B) AND (C). THE COURT, AT THE
- 22 TIME OF APPOINTMENT OR LATER, MAY LIMIT THE POWERS OF A CONSERVA-
- 23 TOR OTHERWISE CONFERRED BY SECTIONS 9384 AND 9385, OR PREVIOUSLY
- 24 CONFERRED BY THE COURT, AND AT ANY TIME MAY RELIEVE THE CONSERVA-
- 25 TOR OF ANY LIMITATION. IF THE COURT LIMITS A POWER CONFERRED ON
- 26 THE CONSERVATOR BY SECTION 9384 OR 9385, THE LIMITATION SHALL BE
- 27 INDORSED UPON THE LETTERS OF APPOINTMENT.

- 1 SEC. 9387. IN INVESTING THE ESTATE, AND IN SELECTING ASSETS
- 2 OF THE ESTATE FOR DISTRIBUTION UNDER SECTION 9385(1) AND (2), IN
- 3 UTILIZING POWERS OF REVOCATION OR WITHDRAWAL AVAILABLE FOR THE
- 4 SUPPORT OF THE PROTECTED PERSON, AND EXERCISABLE BY THE CONSERVA-
- 5 TOR OR THE COURT, THE CONSERVATOR AND THE COURT SHALL TAKE INTO
- 6 ACCOUNT A KNOWN ESTATE PLAN OF THE PROTECTED PERSON, INCLUDING
- 7 THE PERSON'S WILL, A REVOCABLE TRUST OF WHICH HE OR SHE IS SET-
- 8 TLOR, AND A CONTRACT, TRANSFER, OR JOINT OWNERSHIP ARRANGEMENT
- 9 WITH PROVISIONS FOR PAYMENT OR TRANSFER OF BENEFITS OR INTEREST
- 10 AT THE PROTECTED PERSON'S DEATH TO ANOTHER OR OTHERS WHICH THE
- 11 PROTECTED PERSON MAY HAVE ORIGINATED. THE CONSERVATOR MAY
- 12 EXAMINE THE WILL OF THE PROTECTED PERSON.
- 13 SEC. 9388. (1) A CONSERVATOR MAY PAY OR SECURE FROM THE
- 14 ESTATE CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OR AGAINST THE PROTECTED PERSON
- 15 ARISING BEFORE OR AFTER THE CONSERVATORSHIP UPON THEIR PRESENTA-
- 16 TION AND ALLOWANCE AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRIORITIES LISTED
- 17 IN SUBSECTION (4). A CLAIM MAY BE PRESENTED BY EITHER OF THE
- 18 FOLLOWING METHODS:
- 19 (A) THE CLAIMANT MAY DELIVER OR MAIL TO THE CONSERVATOR A
- 20 WRITTEN STATEMENT OF THE CLAIM INDICATING ITS BASIS, THE NAME AND
- 21 MAILING ADDRESS OF THE CLAIMANT, AND THE AMOUNT CLAIMED.
- 22 (B) THE CLAIMANT MAY FILE A WRITTEN STATEMENT OF THE CLAIM,
- 23 IN THE FORM PRESCRIBED BY SUPREME COURT RULE, WITH THE COURT AND
- 24 DELIVER OR MAIL A COPY OF THE STATEMENT TO THE CONSERVATOR.
- 25 (2) A CLAIM SHALL BE CONSIDERED PRESENTED ON RECEIPT OF THE
- 26 WRITTEN STATEMENT OF CLAIM BY THE CONSERVATOR OR ON THE FILING OF
- 27 THE CLAIM WITH THE COURT, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. A PRESENTED

- 1 CLAIM SHALL BE ALLOWED IF IT IS NOT DISALLOWED BY WRITTEN
- 2 STATEMENT MAILED BY THE CONSERVATOR TO THE CLAIMANT WITHIN 63
- 3 DAYS AFTER ITS PRESENTATION. THE PRESENTATION OF A CLAIM TOLLS
- 4 ANY STATUTE OF LIMITATION RELATING TO THE CLAIM UNTIL 28 DAYS
- 5 AFTER ITS DISALLOWANCE.
- 6 (3) A CLAIMANT WHOSE CLAIM IS NOT PAID MAY PETITION THE
- 7 COURT FOR DETERMINATION OF THE CLAIM AT ANY TIME BEFORE IT IS
- 8 BARRED BY THE APPLICABLE STATUTE OF LIMITATION AND, UPON DUE
- 9 PROOF, PROCURE AN ORDER FOR ITS ALLOWANCE, PAYMENT, OR SECURITY
- 10 FROM THE ESTATE. IF A PROCEEDING IS PENDING AGAINST A PROTECTED
- 11 PERSON AT THE TIME OF APPOINTMENT OF A CONSERVATOR OR IS INITI-
- 12 ATED AGAINST THE PROTECTED PERSON THEREAFTER, THE MOVING PARTY
- 13 SHALL GIVE NOTICE OF THE PROCEEDING TO THE CONSERVATOR IF THE
- 14 PROCEEDING MAY RESULT IN CREATING A CLAIM AGAINST THE ESTATE.
- 15 (4) IF IT APPEARS THAT THE ESTATE IN CONSERVATORSHIP IS
- 16 LIKELY TO BE EXHAUSTED BEFORE ALL EXISTING CLAIMS ARE PAID, THE
- 17 CONSERVATOR SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE ESTATE IN MONEY OR IN KIND IN
- 18 PAYMENT OF CLAIMS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER OF PRIORITY:
- 19 (A) COSTS AND EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION.
- 20 (B) CLAIMS OF THE FEDERAL OR STATE GOVERNMENT HAVING PRIOR-
- 21 ITY UNDER LAW.
- 22 (C) CLAIMS INCURRED BY THE CONSERVATOR FOR CARE, MAINTE-
- 23 NANCE, AND EDUCATION PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED TO THE PROTECTED PERSON
- 24 OR THE PROTECTED PERSON'S DEPENDENTS.
- 25 (D) CLAIMS ARISING PRIOR TO THE CONSERVATORSHIP.
- 26 (E) ALL OTHER CLAIMS.

- 1 (5) PREFERENCE SHALL NOT BE GIVEN IN THE PAYMENT OF A CLAIM
- 2 OVER ANOTHER CLAIM OF THE SAME CLASS, AND A CLAIM DUE AND PAYABLE
- 3 SHALL NOT BE ENTITLED TO A PREFERENCE OVER A CLAIM NOT DUE. IF
- 4 IT APPEARS THAT THE ASSETS OF THE CONSERVATORSHIP ARE ADEQUATE TO
- 5 MEET ALL EXISTING CLAIMS, THE COURT, ACTING IN THE BEST INTEREST
- 6 OF THE PROTECTED PERSON, MAY ORDER THE CONSERVATOR TO GIVE A
- 7 MORTGAGE OR OTHER SECURITY ON THE CONSERVATORSHIP ESTATE TO
- 8 SECURE PAYMENT AT SOME FUTURE DATE OF ANY OR ALL CLAIMS UNDER
- 9 SUBSECTION (4)(E).
- 10 (6) IF A PROTECTED PERSON DIES WHILE UNDER CONSERVATORSHIP,
- 11 THE COURT MAY, UPON PETITION OF THE CONSERVATOR AND WITH OR WITH-
- 12 OUT NOTICE, HEAR A CLAIM FOR BURIAL EXPENSE OR ANY OTHER CLAIM AS
- 13 THE COURT CONSIDERS ADVISABLE. UPON HEARING THE CLAIM, THE COURT
- 14 MAY ENTER AN ORDER ALLOWING OR DISALLOWING THE CLAIM OR ANY PART
- 15 OF IT AND PROVIDE IN THE ORDER OF ALLOWANCE THAT THE CLAIM OR ANY
- 16 PART OF IT SHALL BE PAID IMMEDIATELY IF PAYMENT CAN BE MADE WITH-
- 17 OUT INJURY OR SERIOUS INCONVENIENCE TO THE PROTECTED PERSON'S
- 18 ESTATE.
- 19 SEC. 9389. (1) UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE CONTRACT, A
- 20 CONSERVATOR IS NOT INDIVIDUALLY LIABLE ON A CONTRACT PROPERLY
- 21 ENTERED INTO IN A FIDUCIARY CAPACITY IN THE COURSE OF ADMINISTRA-
- 22 TION OF THE ESTATE UNLESS THE CONSERVATOR FAILS TO REVEAL HIS OR
- 23 HER REPRESENTATIVE CAPACITY AND IDENTIFY THE ESTATE IN THE
- 24 CONTRACT.
- 25 (2) THE CONSERVATOR IS INDIVIDUALLY LIABLE FOR AN OBLIGATION
- 26 ARISING FROM OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL OF PROPERTY OF THE ESTATE OR

- 1 FOR A TORT COMMITTED IN THE COURSE OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE
- 2 ESTATE ONLY IF THE CONSERVATOR IS PERSONALLY AT FAULT.
- 3 (3) A CLAIM BASED ON A CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BY A CONSERVA-
- 4 TOR IN A FIDUCIARY CAPACITY, ON AN OBLIGATION ARISING FROM OWNER-
- 5 SHIP OR CONTROL OF THE ESTATE, OR ON A TORT COMMITTED IN THE
- 6 COURSE OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE MAY BE ASSERTED AGAINST
- 7 THE ESTATE BY PROCEEDING AGAINST THE CONSERVATOR IN HIS OR HER
- 8 FIDUCIARY CAPACITY, WHETHER OR NOT THE CONSERVATOR IS INDIVIDU-
- 9 ALLY LIABLE FOR THE CLAIM.
- 10 (4) A QUESTION OF LIABILITY BETWEEN THE ESTATE AND THE CON-
- 11 SERVATOR INDIVIDUALLY MAY BE DETERMINED IN A PROCEEDING FOR
- 12 ACCOUNTING, SURCHARGE, OR INDEMNIFICATION, OR OTHER APPROPRIATE
- 13 PROCEEDING OR ACTION.
- 14 SEC. 9390. THE PROTECTED PERSON, THE PROTECTED PERSON'S
- 15 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, THE CONSERVATOR, OR AN INTERESTED PERSON
- 16 MAY PETITION THE COURT TO TERMINATE THE CONSERVATORSHIP. A PRO-
- 17 TECTED PERSON SEEKING THE TERMINATION IS ENTITLED TO THE SAME
- 18 RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES AS IN AN ORIGINAL PROCEEDING FOR A PROTEC-
- 19 TIVE ORDER. THE COURT, UPON DETERMINING AFTER NOTICE AND HEARING
- 20 THAT THE MINORITY OR DISABILITY OF THE PROTECTED PERSON HAS
- 21 CEASED, MAY TERMINATE THE CONSERVATORSHIP. UPON TERMINATION.
- 22 TITLE TO ASSETS OF THE ESTATE PASSES TO THE FORMER PROTECTED
- 23 PERSON OR TO HIS OR HER SUCCESSORS SUBJECT TO PROVISION IN THE
- 24 ORDER FOR EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION OR TO CONVEYANCES FROM THE
- 25 CONSERVATOR TO THE FORMER PROTECTED PERSON OR HIS OR HER SUCCES-
- 26 SORS, TO EVIDENCE THE TRANSFER.

- 1 SEC. 9391. A PERSON INDEBTED TO A PROTECTED PERSON OR
- 2 HAVING POSSESSION OF PROPERTY OR OF AN INSTRUMENT EVIDENCING A
- 3 DEBT, STOCK, OR CHOSE IN ACTION BELONGING TO A PROTECTED PERSON,
- 4 MAY PAY OR DELIVER TO A CONSERVATOR, GUARDIAN OF THE ESTATE, OR
- 5 OTHER LIKE FIDUCIARY APPOINTED BY A COURT OF THE STATE OF RESI-
- 6 DENCE OF THE PROTECTED PERSON, UPON BEING PRESENTED WITH PROOF OF
- 7 HIS OR HER APPOINTMENT AND AN AFFIDAVIT MADE BY THE PERSON OR ON
- 8 THE PERSON'S BEHALF STATING THAT A PROTECTIVE PROCEEDING RELATING
- 9 TO THE PROTECTED PERSON IS NOT PENDING IN THIS STATE, AND THAT
- 10 THE FOREIGN CONSERVATOR IS ENTITLED TO PAYMENT OR TO RECEIVE
- 11 DELIVERY. IF THE PERSON TO WHOM THE AFFIDAVIT IS PRESENTED IS
- 12 NOT AWARE OF ANY PROTECTIVE PROCEEDING PENDING IN THIS STATE,
- 13 PAYMENT OR DELIVERY IN RESPONSE TO THE DEMAND AND AFFIDAVIT DIS-
- 14 CHARGES THE DEBTOR OR POSSESSOR.
- 15 SEC. 9395. WHEN A PRINCIPAL DESIGNATES ANOTHER AS THE
- 16 PRINCIPAL'S ATTORNEY IN FACT OR AGENT BY A POWER OF ATTORNEY IN
- 17 WRITING AND THE WRITING CONTAINS THE WORDS "THIS POWER OF ATTOR-
- 18 NEY SHALL NOT BE AFFECTED BY DISABILITY OF THE PRINCIPAL," OR
- 19 "THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON THE DISABIL-
- 20 ITY OF THE PRINCIPAL," OR SIMILAR WORDS SHOWING THE INTENT OF THE
- 21 PRINCIPAL THAT THE AUTHORITY CONFERRED SHALL BE EXERCISABLE NOT-
- 22 WITHSTANDING THE PRINCIPAL'S DISABILITY, THE AUTHORITY OF THE
- 23 ATTORNEY IN FACT OR AGENT IS EXERCISABLE BY THE ATTORNEY IN FACT
- 24 OR AGENT AS PROVIDED IN THE POWER ON BEHALF OF THE PRINCIPAL NOT-
- 25 WITHSTANDING LATER DISABILITY OR INCAPACITY OF THE PRINCIPAL AT
- 26 LAW OR LATER UNCERTAINTY AS TO WHETHER THE PRINCIPAL IS DEAD OR
- 27 ALIVE. AN ACT DONE BY THE ATTORNEY IN FACT OR AGENT PURSUANT TO

- 1 THE POWER DURING A PERIOD OF DISABILITY, INCOMPETENCE, OR
- 2 UNCERTAINTY AS TO WHETHER THE PRINCIPAL IS DEAD OR ALIVE HAS THE
- 3 SAME EFFECT AND INURES TO THE BENEFIT OF AND BINDS THE PRINCIPAL
- 4 OR THE PRINCIPAL'S HEIRS, DEVISEES, AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
- 5 AS IF THE PRINCIPAL WERE ALIVE, COMPETENT, AND NOT DISABLED.
- 6 AFTER THE APPOINTMENT OF THE PERSON AS AN ATTORNEY IN FACT OR
- 7 AGENT BECOMES EFFECTIVE, IF A CONSERVATOR IS APPOINTED FOR THE
- 8 PRINCIPAL, THE ATTORNEY IN FACT OR AGENT, DURING THE CONTINUANCE
- 9 OF THE APPOINTMENT. SHALL ACCOUNT TO THE CONSERVATOR RATHER THAN
- 10 THE PRINCIPAL. THE CONSERVATOR HAS THE SAME POWER TO REVOKE THE
- 11 POWER OF ATTORNEY OR AGENCY THAT THE PRINCIPAL WOULD HAVE HAD IF
- 12 THE PRINCIPAL WERE NOT PROTECTED.
- 13 SEC. 9397. (1) THE DEATH, DISABILITY, OR INCOMPETENCE OF A
- 14 PRINCIPAL WHO HAS EXECUTED A POWER OF ATTORNEY IN WRITING OTHER
- 15 THAN A POWER AS DESCRIBED BY SECTION 9395, DOES NOT REVOKE OR
- 16 TERMINATE THE AGENCY AS TO THE ATTORNEY IN FACT, AGENT, OR OTHER
- 17 PERSON WHO, WITHOUT ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE DEATH, DISABILITY, OR
- 18 INCOMPETENCE OF THE PRINCIPAL, ACTS IN GOOD FAITH UNDER THE POWER
- 19 OF ATTORNEY OR AGENCY. UNLESS OTHERWISE INVALID OR UNENFORCE-
- 20 ABLE, AN ACTION SO TAKEN BINDS THE PRINCIPAL AND THE PRINCIPAL'S
- 21 HEIRS, DEVISEES, AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES.
- 22 (2) AN AFFIDAVIT, EXECUTED BY THE ATTORNEY IN FACT OR AGENT
- 23 STATING THAT THE ATTORNEY IN FACT OR AGENT DID NOT HAVE, AT THE
- 24 TIME OF DOING AN ACT PURSUANT TO THE POWER OF ATTORNEY, ACTUAL
- 25 KNOWLEDGE OF THE REVOCATION OR TERMINATION OF THE POWER OF ATTOR-
- 26 NEY BY DEATH, DISABILITY, OR INCOMPETENCE, IS, IN THE ABSENCE OF
- 27 FRAUD, CONCLUSIVE PROOF OF THE NONREVOCATION OR NONTERMINATION OF

- 1 THE POWER AT THAT TIME. IF THE EXERCISE OF THE POWER REQUIRES
- 2 EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INSTRUMENT WHICH IS RECORDABLE, THE
- 3 AFFIDAVIT WHEN AUTHENTICATED FOR RECORD IS LIKEWISE RECORDABLE.
  - 4 (3) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO ALTER OR AFFECT
  - 5 ANY PROVISION FOR REVOCATION OR TERMINATION CONTAINED IN THE
  - 6 POWER OF ATTORNEY.
  - 7 SEC. 9399. IF THIS CHAPTER CONFLICTS WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH
  - 8 CODE, ACT NO. 258 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1974, BEING
  - 9 SECTIONS 330.1001 TO 330.2106 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, THAT
- 10 ACT SHALL CONTROL.
- 11 CHAPTER 94
- 12 SEC. 9401. THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE KNOWN AND MAY BE CITED AS
- 13 THE "MICHIGAN ADOPTION CODE".
- 14 SEC. 9401A. THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THIS CHAPTER ARE:
- 15 (A) TO PROVIDE THAT EACH ADOPTEE IN THIS STATE WHO NEEDS
- 16 ADOPTION SERVICES RECEIVES THOSE SERVICES.
- 17 (B) TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES AND SERVICES WHICH WILL SAFEGUARD
- 18 AND PROMOTE THE BEST INTERESTS OF EACH ADOPTEE IN NEED OF ADOP-
- 19 TION AND WHICH WILL PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF ALL PARTIES CONCERNED.
- 20 IF CONFLICTS ARISE BETWEEN THE RIGHTS OF THE ADOPTEE AND THE
- 21 RIGHTS OF ANOTHER, THE RIGHTS OF THE ADOPTEE SHALL BE PARAMOUNT.
- 22 (C) TO PROVIDE PROMPT LEGAL PROCEEDINGS TO ASSURE THAT THE
- 23 ADOPTEE IS FREE FOR ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE
- 24 TIME.
- 25 SEC. 9402. AS USED IN THIS CHAPTER:
- 26 (A) "ADOPTEE" MEANS THE PERSON WHO IS TO BE ADOPTED,
- 27 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE PERSON IS A CHILD OR AN ADULT.

- 1 (B) "BEST INTERESTS OF THE ADOPTEE" OR "BEST INTERESTS OF
- 2 THE CHILD" MEANS THE SUM TOTAL OF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS TO BE
- 3 CONSIDERED, EVALUATED, AND DETERMINED BY THE COURT TO BE APPLIED
- 4 TO GIVE THE ADOPTEE PERMANENCE AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE:
- 5 (i) THE LOVE, AFFECTION, AND OTHER EMOTIONAL TIES EXISTING
- 6 BETWEEN THE ADOPTING PERSON OR PERSONS OR THE PUTATIVE FATHER,
- 7 AND THE ADOPTEE.
- 8 (ii) THE CAPACITY AND DISPOSITION OF THE ADOPTING PERSON OR
- 9 PERSONS OR THE PUTATIVE FATHER TO GIVE THE ADOPTEE LOVE, AFFEC-
- 10 TION, AND GUIDANCE, AND TO EDUCATE AND CREATE A MILIEU THAT FOS-
- 11 TERS THE RELIGION, RACIAL IDENTITY, AND CULTURE OF THE ADOPTEE.
- 12 (iii) THE CAPACITY AND DISPOSITION OF THE ADOPTING PERSON OR
- 13 PERSONS OR THE PUTATIVE FATHER TO PROVIDE THE ADOPTEE WITH FOOD,
- 14 CLOTHING, EDUCATION, PERMANENCE, MEDICAL CARE OR OTHER REMEDIAL
- 15 CARE RECOGNIZED AND PERMITTED UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE IN
- 16 PLACE OF MEDICAL CARE, AND OTHER MATERIAL NEEDS.
- 17 (iv) THE LENGTH OF TIME THE ADOPTEE HAS LIVED IN A STABLE,
- 18 SATISFACTORY ENVIRONMENT, AND THE DESIRABILITY OF MAINTAINING
- 19 CONTINUITY.
- 20 (v) THE PERMANENCE AS A FAMILY UNIT OF THE PROPOSED ADOPTIVE
- 21 HOME, OR THE HOME OF THE PUTATIVE FATHER.
- 22 (vi) THE MORAL FITNESS OF THE ADOPTING PERSON OR PERSONS OR
- 23 OF THE PUTATIVE FATHER.
- 24 (vii) THE MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH OF THE ADOPTING PERSON
- 25 OR PERSONS OR OF THE PUTATIVE FATHER, AND OF THE ADOPTEE.
- 26 (viii) THE HOME, SCHOOL, AND COMMUNITY RECORD OF THE
- 27 ADOPTEE.

- 1 (ix) THE REASONABLE PREFERENCE OF THE ADOPTEE, IF THE
- 2 ADOPTEE IS 14 YEARS OF AGE OR LESS AND IF THE COURT DEEMS THE
- 3 ADOPTEE TO BE OF SUFFICIENT AGE TO EXPRESS A PREFERENCE.
- 4 (x) THE ABILITY AND WILLINGNESS OF THE ADOPTING PERSON OR
- 5 PERSONS TO ADOPT THE ADOPTEE'S SIBLINGS.
- 6 (xi) ANY OTHER FACTOR CONSIDERED BY THE COURT TO BE RELEVANT
- 7 TO A PARTICULAR ADOPTION PROCEEDING, OR TO A PUTATIVE FATHER'S
- 8 REOUEST FOR CHILD CUSTODY.
- 9 (C) "BIOLOGICAL PARENT" MEANS A PERSON WHOSE RIGHTS WERE
- 10 TERMINATED PURSUANT TO THIS CHAPTER OR CHAPTER 96.
- 11 (D) "BORN OUT OF WEDLOCK" MEANS A CHILD BEGOTTEN AND BORN TO
- 12 A WOMAN WHO WAS NOT MARRIED FROM THE CONCEPTION TO THE DATE OF
- 13 BIRTH OF THE CHILD, OR A CHILD WHICH THE COURT HAS DETERMINED TO
- 14 BE A CHILD BORN DURING A MARRIAGE BUT NOT THE ISSUE OF THAT
- 15 MARRIAGE.
- 16 (E) "CHILD" MEANS A PERSON LESS THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE.
- 17 (F) "CHILD PLACING AGENCY" MEANS A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION
- 18 LICENSED TO PLACE CHILDREN FOR ADOPTION.
- 19 (G) "CONSENT" MEANS A DULY EXECUTED DOCUMENT IN WHICH ALL
- 20 PARENTAL RIGHTS OVER A SPECIFIC CHILD ARE VOLUNTARILY RELIN-
- 21 QUISHED TO THE COURT FOR ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT WITH THE PETITIONER.
- 22 (H) "COURT" MEANS THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT OF THIS STATE
- 23 AS CREATED IN CHAPTER 92, AND WHEN THE CONTEXT REQUIRES, THE
- 24 COURT HAVING JURISDICTION OVER ADOPTION IN ANOTHER STATE OR
- 25 COUNTRY.
- 26 (I) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
- 27 SERVICES.

- 1 (J) "PETITIONER" MEANS THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHO FILE AN
- 2 ADOPTION PETITION WITH THE COURT.
- 3 (K) "RELEASE" MEANS A DULY EXECUTED DOCUMENT IN WHICH ALL
- 4 PARENTAL RIGHTS OVER A SPECIFIC CHILD ARE VOLUNTARILY RELIN-
- 5 QUISHED TO THE DEPARTMENT OR TO A CHILD PLACING AGENCY.
- 6 (1) "STEPPARENT" MEANS A PERSON WHO ADOPTS A CHILD 1 OF
- 7 WHOSE PARENTS IS THE ADOPTING PERSON'S SPOUSE.
- 8 SEC. 9403. THE COURT SHALL HAVE JURISDICTION TO HEAR AN
- 9 APPEAL BROUGHT UNDER SECTION 115F OF ACT NO. 280 OF THE PUBLIC
- 10 ACTS OF 1939, BEING SECTION 400.115F OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED
- 11 LAWS. THE COURT MAY SET ASIDE, AFFIRM, REVERSE, OR MODIFY A
- 12 FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES
- 13 AS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 101 TO 106 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCE-
- 14 DURES ACT OF 1969, ACT NO. 306 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1969, BEING
- 15 SECTIONS 24.301 TO 24.306 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 16 SEC. 9404. (1) IF A PERSON DESIRES TO ADOPT A CHILD OR AN
- 17 ADULT AND TO BESTOW UPON THE ADOPTEE THE PERSON'S FAMILY NAME, OR
- 18 TO ADOPT A CHILD OR AN ADULT WITHOUT A CHANGE OF NAME, WITH THE
- 19 INTENT TO MAKE THE ADOPTEE HIS OR HER HEIR, THAT PERSON, TOGETHER
- 20 WITH HIS WIFE OR HER HUSBAND, IF THE PERSON IS MARRIED, SHALL
- 21 FILE A PETITION WITH THE COURT FOR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE PETI-
- 22 TIONER RESIDES OR WHERE THE ADOPTEE IS FOUND.
- 23 (2) THE PETITION FOR ADOPTION SHALL BE VERIFIED BY EACH
- 24 PETITIONER AND SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
- 25 (A) THE NAME, DATE, AND PLACE OF BIRTH, AND PLACE OF RESI-
- 26 DENCE OF EACH PETITIONER, INCLUDING THE MAIDEN NAME OF THE
- 27 ADOPTING MOTHER.

- 1 (B) THE NAME, DATE, AND PLACE OF BIRTH, AND PLACE OF
- 2 RESIDENCE, IF KNOWN, OF THE ADOPTEE.
- 3 (C) THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, OF THE ADOPTEE TO THE
- 4 PETITIONER.
- 5 (D) THE FULL NAME BY WHICH THE ADOPTEE SHALL BE KNOWN AFTER
- 6 ADOPTION.
- 7 (E) THE FULL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY, IF ANY, OF THE
- 8 ADOPTEE.
- 9 (F) THE NAMES OF THE PARENTS OF THE ADOPTEE, AND THE ADDRESS
- 10 OF EACH LIVING PARENT IF KNOWN, EXCEPT THAT THE NAMES AND
- 11 ADDRESSES OF THE PARENTS MAY BE OMITTED IF THE RIGHTS OF THE PAR-
- 12 ENTS HAVE BEEN TERMINATED BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION.
- 13 (G) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE GUARDIAN OF THE PERSON OR
- 14 ESTATE OF THE ADOPTEE, IF ANY HAS BEEN APPOINTED.
- 15 SEC. 9404A. (1) INTERESTED PARTIES IN A PETITION FOR ADOP-
- 16 TION INCLUDE, BUT SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO:
- (A) THE PETITIONER.
- 18 (B) THE ADOPTEE, IF OVER 14 YEARS OF AGE.
- 19 (C) A MINOR PARENT, ADULT PARENT, OR SURVIVING PARENT OF A
- 20 MINOR ADOPTEE, UNLESS:
- 21 (i) THE RIGHTS OF THE PARENT HAVE BEEN TERMINATED BY A COURT
- 22 OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION.
- 23 (ii) A GUARDIAN OF THE ADOPTEE, WITH SPECIFIC AUTHORITY TO
- 24 CONSENT TO ADOPTION, HAS BEEN APPOINTED.
- 25 (iii) A GUARDIAN OF THE PARENT, WITH SPECIFIC AUTHORITY TO
- 26 CONSENT TO ADOPTION, HAS BEEN APPOINTED.

- 1 (iv) THE RIGHTS OF THE PARENT HAVE BEEN RELEASED.
- 2 (v) THE PARENT HAS CONSENTED TO THE GRANTING OF THE
- 3 PETITION.
- 4 (D) THE DEPARTMENT OR A CHILD PLACING AGENCY TO WHICH THE
- 5 ADOPTEE HAS BEEN, OR FOR PURPOSES OF SUBSECTION (2) IS PROPOSED
- 6 TO BE, RELEASED OR COMMITTED BY AN ORDER OF THE DOMESTIC RELA-
- 7 TIONS COURT.
- 8 (E) A PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR GUARDIAN AD LITEM OF AN UNEMANCI-
- 9 PATED MINOR PARENT OF THE ADOPTEE.
- 10 (F) THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT WITH PERMANENT CUSTODY OF
- 11 THE ADOPTEE.
- (G) A COURT WITH CONTINUING JURISDICTION OVER THE ADOPTEE.
- 13 (H) A CHILD PLACING AGENCY OF ANOTHER STATE OR COUNTRY WHICH
- 14 HAS AUTHORITY TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION.
- 15 (I) THE GUARDIAN OR GUARDIAN AD LITEM OF AN INTERESTED
- 16 PARTY.
- 17 (2) INTERESTED PARTIES IN A PETITION FOR A HEARING TO IDEN-
- 18 TIFY THE FATHER OF A CHILD AND TO DETERMINE OR TERMINATE HIS
- 19 RIGHTS INCLUDE, BUT SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO:
- 20 (A) THE PERSONS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (1).
- 21 (B) A PUTATIVE FATHER OF THE CHILD.
- 22 (3) INTERESTED PARTIES IN A PROCEEDING RELATING TO THE EXE-
- 23 CUTION OF A VOLUNTARY RELEASE INCLUDE, BUT SHALL NOT BE LIMITED
- 24 TO:
- 25 (A) THE ADOPTEE, IF OVER 5 YEARS OF AGE.
- 26 (B) THE DEPARTMENT OR A CHILD PLACING AGENCY TO WHICH THE
- 27 ADOPTEE IS PROPOSED TO BE RELEASED.

- (C) THE PERSON EXECUTING THE RELEASE OF PARENTAL RIGHTS.
- 2 (4) THE COURT SHALL NOT APPOINT A GUARDIAN OF THE ADOPTEE OR
- 3 OF A PARENT SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFEATING THAT PARENT'S
- 4 STATUS AS AN INTERESTED PARTY UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 5 SEC. 9405. (1) ALL PROCEEDINGS UNDER THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE
- 6 CONSIDERED TO HAVE THE HIGHEST PRIORITY AND SHALL BE ADVANCED ON
- 7 THE COURT DOCKET SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR EARLIEST PRACTICABLE
- 8 DISPOSITION.
- 9 (2) AN ADJOURNMENT OR CONTINUANCE OF A PROCEEDING UNDER THIS
- 10 CHAPTER SHALL NOT BE GRANTED WITHOUT A SHOWING OF GOOD CAUSE.
- 11 SEC. 9406. SUBSEQUENT TO OR CONCURRENT WITH THE FILING OF
- 12 THE ADOPTION PETITION BUT BEFORE THE HEARING ON THE PETITION BY
- 13 THE COURT, THE PETITIONER, THE DEPARTMENT, AN EMPLOYEE OR AGENT
- 14 OF THE COURT, OR A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, AS APPROPRIATE, SHALL
- 15 FILE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION:
- 16 (A) EXCEPT IN INSTANCES OF PARENTAL CONSENT TO ADOPTION, A
- 17 COPY OF EACH RELEASE OR ORDER TERMINATING PARENTAL RIGHTS OVER
- 18 THE CHILD WHICH HAS A BEARING UPON THE AUTHORITY OF A PERSON TO
- 19 EXECUTE THE CONSENT TO ADOPTION.
- 20 (B) A COPY OF THE ORDER OF COMMITMENT, IF A COMMITMENT WAS
- 21 MADE TO A CHILD PLACING AGENCY OR TO THE DEPARTMENT.
- 22 (C) PROOF OF A GUARDIAN'S APPOINTMENT AND AUTHORIZATION TO
- 23 EXECUTE THE RELEASE OR CONSENT TO THE CHILD'S ADOPTION.
- 24 (D) A COPY OF THE CONSENT TO ADOPTION AS REQUIRED IN THIS
- 25 CHAPTER.
- 26 (E) A COPY OF THE ADOPTEE'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE, VERIFICATION
- 27 OF BIRTH, HOSPITAL BIRTH REGISTRATION, OR OTHER SATISFACTORY

- 1 PROOF OF DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH, IF OBTAINABLE, UNLESS THIS
- 2 FILING IS WAIVED BY WRITTEN ORDER OF THE JUDGE OF THE COURT.
- 3 (F) THE REPORT OF THE INVESTIGATION PREPARED PURSUANT TO
- 4 SECTION 9426:
- 5 (G) IF THE PETITION ALLEGES NONSUPPORT AND NONCOMMUNICATION
- 6 BY A PARENT, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 9431(6), AN AFFIDAVIT VERI-
- 7 FYING THAT FACT.
- 8 (H) ANY ADDITIONAL FACTS CONSIDERED NECESSARY BY THE COURT.
- 9 SEC. 9407. (1) NONIDENTIFYING INFORMATION SHALL BE MAIN-
- 10 TAINED BY A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, THE DEPARTMENT, OR A COURT THAT
- 11 PLACES AN ADOPTEE UNDER THIS CHAPTER. THE FOLLOWING NONIDENTI-
- 12 FYING INFORMATION SHALL BE MAINTAINED, IF OBTAINABLE:
- 13 (A) DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF BIRTH OF THE ADOPTEE INCLUDING
- 14 THE HOSPITAL, CITY, COUNTY, AND STATE.
- 15 (B) MEDICAL HISTORY OF THE ADOPTEE AND BIOLOGICAL PARENTS.
- 16 (C) ETHNICITY OF THE BIOLOGICAL PARENTS.
- 17 (D) STATUS OF TERMINATION--VOLUNTARY OR COURT ORDERED.
- (E) RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND OF BIOLOGICAL PARENTS.
- 19 (F) AGE AND SEX OF SIBLINGS OF THE ADOPTEE KNOWN AT THE TIME
- 20 OF THE ADOPTION.
- 21 (G) EDUCATIONAL LEVEL OF BIOLOGICAL PARENTS.
- 22 (2) THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE SUP-
- 23 PLEMENTED BY OTHER NONIDENTIFYING BACKGROUND INFORMATION THAT THE
- 24 CHILD PLACING AGENCY, DEPARTMENT, OR COURT CONSIDERS
- 25 APPROPRIATE.

- 1 (3) THE DEPARTMENT, A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, OR A COURT THAT
- 2 PLACES AN ADOPTEE UNDER THIS CHAPTER SHALL MAINTAIN ALL OF THE
- 3 FOLLOWING IDENTIFYING INFORMATION IF OBTAINABLE:
- 4 (A) NAME OF THE CHILD BEFORE PLACEMENT IN ADOPTION.
- 5 (B) NAMES OF BIOLOGICAL PARENTS AT THE TIME OF TERMINATION
- 6 OF PARENTAL RIGHTS.
- 7 (C) THE MOST RECENT NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE BIOLOGICAL
- 8 PARENTS.
- 9 (D) NAMES OF THE BIOLOGICAL SIBLINGS AT THE TIME OF
- 10 TERMINATION.
- 11 (4) THE COURT SHALL INFORM EACH BIOLOGICAL PARENT AT THE
- 12 TIME OF TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS PURSUANT TO THIS CHAPTER
- 13 OR CHAPTER 96, THAT THE BIOLOGICAL PARENT MAY FILE A DENIAL OF
- 14 RELEASE OF THE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION
- 15 (3) WITH THE DEPARTMENT AT ANY TIME AND THAT THE DENIAL MAY BE
- 16 REVOKED AT ANY TIME. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP A FORM FOR
- 17 BIOLOGICAL PARENTS TO DENY OR REVOKE A DENIAL OF RELEASE OF IDEN-
- 18 TIFYING INFORMATION AND SHALL MAKE THE FORM AVAILABLE TO THE
- 19 COURT. THE COURT SHALL INFORM A BIOLOGICAL PARENT OF THE
- 20 PARENT'S RIGHT TO KEEP CURRENT HIS OR HER NAME AND ADDRESS BY
- 21 FILING A STATEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT ON A FORM PROVIDED BY THE
- 22 DEPARTMENT.
- 23 (5) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL KEEP ON FILE EACH STATEMENT CON-
- 24 CERNING A CHILD BELIEVED TO BE ADOPTED THAT IS SUBMITTED BY A
- 25 BIOLOGICAL PARENT OR ADULT BIOLOGICAL SIBLING CONSENTING TO OR
- 26 DENYING RELEASE OF IDENTIFYING INFORMATION, AND SHALL TRANSMIT
- 27 THAT STATEMENT TO THE PROPER CHILD PLACING AGENCY, DEPARTMENT, OR

- 1 COURT UPON REQUEST OF THE CHILD PLACING AGENCY, DEPARTMENT, OR
- 2 COURT. THE STATEMENT MAY BE RESCINDED AT ANY TIME BY THE BIOLOG-
- 3 ICAL PARENT OR ADULT BIOLOGICAL SIBLING. A STATEMENT MADE BY A
- 4 BIOLOGICAL PARENT OR ADULT BIOLOGICAL SIBLING CONSENTING TO THE
- 5 RELEASE OF IDENTIFYING INFORMATION SHALL INCLUDE THE CURRENT NAME
- 6 AND ADDRESS OF THE BIOLOGICAL PARENT OR ADULT BIOLOGICAL
- 7 SIBLING. ONCE A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FROM THE FILE HAS BEEN
- 8 RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT, A SUBSEQUENT STATEMENT SUBMITTED BY A
- 9 BIOLOGICAL PARENT OR ADULT BIOLOGICAL SIBLING CONSENTING TO THE
- 10 RELEASE OF IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OR REVOKING A PREVIOUS DENIAL
- 11 TO RELEASE OF IDENTIFYING INFORMATION, SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO
- 12 THE REQUESTING CHILD PLACING AGENCY, DEPARTMENT, OR COURT UPON
- 13 RECEIPT.
- 14 (6) IF A CHILD PLACING AGENCY CEASES TO OPERATE, THE
- 15 AGENCY'S ADOPTION RECORDS SHALL BE FORWARDED TO THE DEPARTMENT.
- 16 A BRANCH OR ASSOCIATE AGENCY OF A CHILD PLACING AGENCY WHICH
- 17 CEASES TO OPERATE SHALL FORWARD ITS RECORDS TO THE CENTRAL AGENCY
- 18 OF THE BRANCH OR ASSOCIATE AGENCY.
- 19 (7) THIS SECTION ALSO APPLIES TO A STEPPARENT ADOPTION AND
- 20 TO THE ADOPTION OF A CHILD RELATED TO THE PETITIONER WITHIN THE
- 21 FOURTH DEGREE OF AFFINITY OR CONSANGUINITY.
- 22 (8) THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS (1) THROUGH (3)
- 23 SHALL BE MAINTAINED BY THE CHILD PLACING AGENCY, DEPARTMENT, OR
- 24 COURT. AN EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, THE
- 25 COURT, OR THE DEPARTMENT, WHO INTENTIONALLY DESTROYS INFORMATION

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- 26 REQUIRED TO BE MAINTAINED UNDER THIS SECTION, IS GUILTY OF A
- 27 MISDEMEANOR.

- 1 SEC. 9408. (1) SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION AND SECTION 9409, A
- 2 RELEASE SHALL BE EXECUTED:
- 3 (A) BY EACH PARENT OF A CHILD TO BE ADOPTED OR THE SURVIVING
- 4 PARENT, EXCEPT UNDER THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:
- 5 (i) THE RIGHTS OF THE PARENT HAVE BEEN TERMINATED BY A COURT
- 6 OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION.
- 7 (ii) A GUARDIAN OF THE CHILD HAS BEEN APPOINTED.
- 8 (iii) A GUARDIAN OF A PARENT HAS BEEN APPOINTED.
- 9 (B) BY THE DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF A CHILD PLACING
- 10 AGENCY TO WHOM THE CHILD HAS BEEN COMMITTED BY AN ORDER OF THE
- 11 COURT.
- 12 (C) BY THE DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CHILD PLAC-
- 13 ING AGENCY TO WHOM THE CHILD HAS BEEN RELEASED.
- 14 (D) BY THE GUARDIAN OF THE CHILD, IF A GUARDIAN HAS BEEN
- 15 APPOINTED.
- 16 (E) BY THE GUARDIAN OF A PARENT.
- 17 (2) IF THE PARENT OF THE CHILD TO BE ADOPTED IS AN UNEMANCI-
- 18 PATED MINOR, THAT PARENT'S RELEASE IS NOT VALID UNLESS A PARENT,
- 19 GUARDIAN, OR GUARDIAN AD LITEM OF THAT MINOR PARENT HAS ALSO EXE-
- 20 CUTED THE RELEASE.
- 21 (3) THE GUARDIAN OF THE CHILD TO BE ADOPTED MAY NOT EXECUTE
- 22 A RELEASE OF THE CHILD PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) UNLESS THE
- 23 GUARDIAN HAS FIRST OBTAINED AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE THE RELEASE FROM
- 24 THE COURT WHICH APPOINTED THE GUARDIAN.
- 25 (4) THE GUARDIAN OF A PARENT MAY NOT EXECUTE A RELEASE OF
- 26 THE PARENT'S CHILD PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) UNLESS THE GUARDIAN
- 27 HAS FIRST OBTAINED AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE THE RELEASE FROM THE

- 1 COURT WHICH APPOINTED THE GUARDIAN. THE RELEASE SHALL HAVE THE
- 2 SAME EFFECT AS IF THE RELEASE WERE EXECUTED BY THE PARENT.
- 3 (5) A RELEASE SHALL BE GIVEN ONLY TO A CHILD PLACING AGENCY
- 4 OR TO THE DEPARTMENT.
- 5 (6) BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT ARRANGES A RELEASE FROM A PARENT
- 6 OR GUARDIAN, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADVISE THE
- 7 PARENT OR GUARDIAN ABOUT CHILD PLACING AGENCIES SERVING THE
- 8 COUNTY AND, UPON THE PARENT'S OR GUARDIAN'S REQUEST, SHALL REFER
- 9 THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO A CHILD PLACING AGENCY. AFTER THE
- 10 RELEASE OF A CHILD BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO THE DEPARTMENT, THE
- 11 DEPARTMENT SHALL ADVISE THE CHILD PLACING AGENCIES SERVING THE
- 12 COUNTY THAT THE CHILD IS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION.
- 13 (7) WHERE A CHILD WAS RELEASED FOR ADOPTION OR COMMITTED TO
- 14 A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, THAT AGENCY MAY RELEASE THAT CHILD TO THE
- 15 DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ACCEPT THE RELEASE.
- 16 (8) UPON RELEASE OF A CHILD TO THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO
- 17 THIS SECTION, THE CHILD SHALL BECOME A STATE WARD.
- 18 (9) WHERE APPLICABLE UNDER THIS SECTION, PROOF OF THE TERMI-
- 19 NATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS, RELEASE OF PARENTAL RIGHTS, APPOINT-
- 20 MENT, AUTHORIZATION, OR COMMITMENT SHALL ACCOMPANY THE RELEASE.
- 21 SEC. 9409. (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SEC-
- 22 TION, A RELEASE SHALL BE BY A SEPARATE INSTRUMENT EXECUTED BEFORE
- 23 A JUDGE OF THE COURT OR BEFORE A REFEREE OF THE COURT. IF A
- 24 PARENT'S OR GUARDIAN'S RELEASE IS EXECUTED BEFORE A JUDGE OR REF-
- 25 EREE AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, A VERBATIM RECORD OF TESTI-
- 26 MONY RELATED TO EXECUTION OF THE RELEASE SHALL BE MADE.

- 1 (2) IF THE PERSON FROM WHOM A RELEASE IS REQUIRED IS IN THE
- 2 ARMED SERVICES OR IS IN PRISON, THE RELEASE MAY BE EXECUTED AND
- 3 ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE A PERSON AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO ADMINISTER
- 4 OATHS.
- 5 (3) IF THE RELEASE IS TO BE GIVEN BY A DULY AUTHORIZED REP-
- 6 RESENTATIVE OF A CHILD PLACING AGENCY WHICH HAS JURISDICTION OF
- 7 THE CHILD TO BE ADOPTED. THE RELEASE MAY BE EXECUTED AND ACKNOWL-
- 8 EDGED BEFORE A PERSON AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO ADMINISTER OATHS.
- 9 (4) IF THE RELEASE IS EXECUTED IN ANOTHER STATE OR COUNTRY,
- 10 THE COURT HAVING JURISDICTION OVER THE ADOPTION PROCEEDING IN
- 11 THIS STATE SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER THE RELEASE WAS EXECUTED IN
- 12 ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THAT STATE OR COUNTRY AND SHALL NOT
- 13 PROCEED UNLESS IT FINDS THAT THE RELEASE WAS SO EXECUTED.
- 14 (5) A RELEASE BY A PARENT OR A GUARDIAN OF THE CHILD SHALL
- 15 NOT BE EXECUTED UNTIL AFTER SUCH INVESTIGATION AS THE COURT DEEMS
- 16 PROPER AND UNTIL AFTER THE JUDGE, REFEREE, OR OTHER PERSON AUTHO-
- 17 RIZED IN SUBSECTION (2) HAS FULLY EXPLAINED TO THE PARENT OR
- 18 GUARDIAN THE LEGAL RIGHTS OF THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN AND THE FACT
- 19 THAT THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN BY VIRTUE OF THE RELEASE VOLUNTARILY
- 20 RELINQUISHES PERMANENTLY HIS OR HER RIGHTS TO THE CHILD; AND, IF
- 21 THE CHILD IS OVER 5 YEARS OF AGE, THE COURT HAS DETERMINED THAT
- 22 THE CHILD IS BEST SERVED BY THE RELEASE.
- 23 (6) UPON THE RELEASE OF A CHILD BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN, THE
- 24 COURT IMMEDIATELY SHALL ISSUE AN ORDER TERMINATING THE RIGHTS OF
- 25 THAT PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO THAT CHILD. IF THE RIGHTS OF BOTH
- 26 PARENTS, THE SURVIVING PARENT, OR THE GUARDIAN HAVE BEEN
- 27 TERMINATED, THE COURT SHALL ISSUE AN ORDER COMMITTING THE CHILD

- 1 TO THE CHILD PLACING AGENCY OR DEPARTMENT TO WHICH THE RELEASE 2 WAS GIVEN.
- 3 (7) THE COURT SHALL AUTHORIZE FOSTER CARE FUNDING PENDING
- 4 EXPIRATION OF THE PERIOD OF APPEAL OR REHEARING AS PROVIDED IN
- 5 SECTIONS 9443 AND 9445, AND PENDING DISPOSITION OF ANY APPEAL OR
- 6 REHEARING, FOR ALL PERSONS COMMITTED TO A CHILD PLACING AGENCY.
- 7 FOSTER CARE FUNDING AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL
- 8 EXCLUDE THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THE CHILD PLACING AGENCY.
- 9 THE COSTS OF FOSTER CARE SHALL BE PAID THROUGH THE USE OF THE
- 10 CHILD CARE FUND AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 117C OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE
- 11 ACT, ACT NO. 280 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1939, BEING SECTION
- 12 400.117C OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, OR BY ANY SUCCESSOR
- 13 STATUTE. WHEN FOSTER CARE FUNDING IS AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO THIS
- 14 SUBSECTION, THE COURT SHALL SEND A COPY OF THE ORDER TO THE
- 15 DEPARTMENT. UPON RECEIVING A COPY OF THIS ORDER, THE DEPARTMENT
- 16 SHALL REIMBURSE THE COURT CHILD CARE FUND OF THE COUNTY WHERE THE
- 17 COURT ORDER FOR FOSTER CARE FUNDING WAS MADE IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT
- 18 OF THE COURT ORDERED PAYMENT. THE REIMBURSEMENT SHALL BE MADE
- 19 MONTHLY.
- 20 (8) ENTRY OF AN ORDER TERMINATING THE RIGHTS OF BOTH PARENTS
- 21 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (6) SHALL TERMINATE THE JURISDICTION OF
- 22 THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT OVER THE CHILD IN ANY DIVORCE OR
- 23 SEPARATE MAINTENANCE ACTION.
- 24 (9) UPON PETITION OF THE SAME PERSON OR PERSONS WHO EXECUTED
- 25 THE RELEASE AND OF THE DEPARTMENT OR CHILD PLACING AGENCY TO
- 26 WHICH THE CHILD WAS RELEASED, THE COURT WITH WHICH THE RELEASE
- 27 WAS FILED MAY GRANT A HEARING TO CONSIDER WHETHER THE RELEASE

- 1 SHOULD BE REVOKED. A RELEASE MAY NOT BE REVOKED IF THE CHILD HAS
- 2 BEEN PLACED FOR ADOPTION UNLESS THE CHILD IS PLACED PURSUANT TO
- 3 SECTION 9421(2) AND A PETITION FOR REHEARING OR CLAIM OF APPEAL
- 4 IS FILED WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED. A VERBATIM RECORD OF TESTI-
- 5 MONY RELATED TO A PETITION TO REVOKE A RELEASE SHALL BE MADE.
- 6 SEC. 9411. (1) IF A CHILD IS BORN OUT OF WEDLOCK AND THE
- 7 RELEASE OR CONSENT OF THE NATURAL FATHER CANNOT BE OBTAINED, THE
- 8 CHILD SHALL NOT BE PLACED FOR ADOPTION UNTIL THE PARENTAL RIGHTS
- 9 OF THE FATHER ARE TERMINATED BY THE COURT AS PROVIDED IN
- 10 SECTION 9417 OR 9419, BY THE COURT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 96, OR BY
- 11 A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION IN ANOTHER STATE OR COUNTRY.
- 12 (2) PENDING THE TERMINATION OR OTHER DISPOSITION OF THE
- 13 RIGHTS OF THE FATHER OF A CHILD BORN OUT OF WEDLOCK, THE MOTHER
- 14 MAY EXECUTE A RELEASE TERMINATING HER RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. IF
- 15 THE MOTHER RELEASES THE CHILD, THE CHILD PLACING AGENCY OR
- 16 DEPARTMENT TO WHICH THE CHILD IS RELEASED MAY FILE A PETITION OF
- 17 DEPENDENCY OR NEGLECT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 96. PENDING DISPOSI-
- 18 TION OF THE DEPENDENCY OR NEGLECT PETITION, THE COURT MAY ENTER
- 19 AN ORDER AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY CARE OF THE CHILD.
- 20 (3) AT THE REQUEST OF THE MOTHER, HER FORMAL EXECUTION OF A
- 21 RELEASE OR CONSENT SHALL BE DELAYED UNTIL AFTER COURT DETERMINA-
- 22 TION OF THE STATUS OF THE PUTATIVE FATHER'S REQUEST FOR CUSTODY
- 23 OF THE CHILD.
- 24 SEC. 9413. (1) BEFORE THE BIRTH OF A CHILD BORN OUT OF WED-
- 25 LOCK, A PERSON CLAIMING UNDER OATH TO BE THE FATHER OF THE CHILD
- 26 MAY FILE A VERIFIED NOTICE OF INTENT TO CLAIM PATERNITY WITH THE
- 27 COURT IN ANY COUNTY OF THIS STATE. THE FORM OF THE NOTICE SHALL

- 1 BE PRESCRIBED BY THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND PROVIDED TO
- 2 THE COURT. THE NOTICE SHALL INCLUDE THE CLAIMANT'S ADDRESS. ON
- 3 THE NEXT BUSINESS DAY AFTER RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE THE COURT SHALL
- 4 TRANSMIT THE NOTICE TO THE VITAL RECORDS DIVISION OF THE DEPART-
- 5 MENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. IF THE MOTHER'S ADDRESS IS STATED ON THE
- 6 NOTICE, THE VITAL RECORDS DIVISION SHALL SEND A COPY OF THE
- 7 NOTICE BY FIRST-CLASS MAIL TO THE MOTHER OF THE CHILD AT THE
- 8 STATED ADDRESS.
- 9 (2) A PERSON FILING A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CLAIM PATERNITY
- 10 SHALL BE PRESUMED TO BE THE FATHER OF THE CHILD FOR PURPOSES OF
- 11 THIS CHAPTER UNLESS THE MOTHER DENIES THAT THE CLAIMANT IS THE
- 12 FATHER. THE NOTICE IS ADMISSIBLE IN A PATERNITY PROCEEDING UNDER
- 13 THE PATERNITY ACT, ACT NO. 205 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1956, BEING
- 14 SECTIONS 722.711 TO 722.730 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, AND
- 15 SHALL CREATE A REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION AS TO THE PATERNITY OF THAT
- 16 CHILD FOR PURPOSES OF THAT ACT. THE NOTICE SHALL CREATE A REBUT-
- 17 TABLE PRESUMPTION AS TO PATERNITY OF THE CHILD FOR PURPOSES OF
- 18 DEPENDENCY OR NEGLECT PROCEEDINGS UNDER CHAPTER 96.
- (3) A PERSON WHO TIMELY FILES A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CLAIM
- 20 PATERNITY SHALL BE ENTITLED TO NOTICE OF EACH HEARING INVOLVING
- 21 THAT CHILD TO DETERMINE THE IDENTITY OF THE FATHER OF THE CHILD
- 22 AND EACH HEARING TO DETERMINE OR TERMINATE HIS PATERNAL RIGHTS TO
- 23 THE CHILD.
- SEC. 9414. (1) IN ORDER TO PROVIDE DUE NOTICE AT THE EARLI-
- 25 EST POSSIBLE TIME TO A PUTATIVE FATHER WHO MAY HAVE AN INTEREST
- 26 IN THE CUSTODY OF AN EXPECTED CHILD OR IN THE MOTHER'S INTENDED
- 27 RELEASE OF AN EXPECTED CHILD FOR ADOPTION OR CONSENT TO ADOPTION

- 1 OF THE EXPECTED CHILD, AND IN ORDER TO FACILITATE EARLY PLACEMENT
- 2 OF A CHILD FOR ADOPTION, A WOMAN PREGNANT OUT OF WEDLOCK MAY FILE
- 3 WITH THE COURT AN EX PARTE PETITION WHICH EVIDENCES HER INTENT TO
- 4 RELEASE HER EXPECTED CHILD FOR ADOPTION OR TO CONSENT TO THE
- 5 CHILD'S ADOPTION, WHICH INDICATES THE APPROXIMATE DATE AND LOCA-
- 6 TION OF CONCEPTION AND THE APPROXIMATE DATE OF THE EXPECTED
- 7 CHILD'S BIRTH, WHICH ALLEGES THAT A PARTICULAR PERSON IS THE
- 8 PUTATIVE FATHER OF HER EXPECTED CHILD, AND WHICH REQUESTS THE
- 9 COURT TO NOTIFY THE PUTATIVE FATHER ABOUT HIS RIGHTS TO FILE A
- 10 NOTICE OF INTENT TO CLAIM PATERNITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 9413.
- 11 THE PETITION MAY ALLEGE MORE THAN 1 PUTATIVE FATHER IF CIRCUM-
- 12 STANCES WARRANT. THE PETITION SHALL BE VERIFIED. UPON THE
- 13 FILING OF THE PETITION, THE COURT SHALL ISSUE A NOTICE OF INTENT
- 14 TO RELEASE OR CONSENT, WHICH NOTICE SHALL BE SERVED UPON THE
- 15 PUTATIVE FATHER BY AN OFFICER OF THE COURT OR PERSON AUTHORIZED
- 16 TO SERVE PROCESS FOR THE COURT. PROOF OF SERVICE SHALL BE FILED
- 17 WITH THE COURT.
- 18 (2) A NOTICE OF INTENT TO RELEASE OR CONSENT SHALL:
- 19 (A) INDICATE THE APPROXIMATE DATE AND LOCATION OF CONCEPTION
- 20 OF THE CHILD AND THE APPROXIMATE DATE OF THE EXPECTED CHILD'S
- 21 BIRTH.
- 22 (B) INFORM THE PUTATIVE FATHER OF HIS RIGHT UNDER
- 23 SECTION 9413(1) TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CLAIM PATERNITY
- 24 BEFORE THE BIRTH OF THE CHILD.
- 25 (C) INFORM THE PUTATIVE FATHER OF THE RIGHTS TO WHICH HIS
- 26 FILING OF A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CLAIM PATERNITY WILL ENTITLE HIM
- 27 UNDER SECTION 9413(3).

- 1 (D) INFORM THE PUTATIVE FATHER THAT HIS FAILURE TO FILE A
- 2 NOTICE OF INTENT TO CLAIM PATERNITY BEFORE THE EXPECTED DATE OF
- 3 THE CHILD'S BIRTH OR BEFORE THE BIRTH OF THE CHILD, WHICHEVER IS
- 4 LATER, SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF HIS RIGHT TO RECEIVE THE
- 5 NOTICE TO WHICH HE WOULD OTHERWISE BE ENTITLED UNDER
- 6 SECTION 9413(3) AND SHALL CONSTITUTE A DENIAL OF HIS INTEREST IN
- 7 CUSTODY OF THE CHILD, WHICH DENIAL SHALL RESULT IN THE COURT'S
- 8 TERMINATION OF HIS RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.
- 9 (3) THE FORM OF THE NOTICE OF INTENT TO RELEASE OR CONSENT
- 10 SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE SUPREME COURT ADMINISTER AND SHALL BE
- 11 CONSISTENT WITH THIS SECTION.
- 12 SEC. 9416. (1) IF A CHILD IS CLAIMED TO BE BORN OUT OF WED-
- 13 LOCK AND THE MOTHER EXECUTES OR PROPOSES TO EXECUTE A RELEASE OR
- 14 CONSENT RELINQUISHING HER RIGHTS TO THE CHILD OR JOINS IN A PETI-
- 15 TION FOR ADOPTION FILED BY HER HUSBAND, AND THE RELEASE OR CON-
- 16 SENT OF THE NATURAL FATHER CANNOT BE OBTAINED, THE COURT SHALL
- 17 HOLD A HEARING AS SOON AS PRACTICAL TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE
- 18 CHILD WAS BORN OUT OF WEDLOCK, TO DETERMINE THE IDENTITY OF THE
- 19 FATHER, AND TO DETERMINE OR TERMINATE THE RIGHTS OF THE FATHER AS
- 20 PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION AND SECTIONS 9417 AND 9419.
- 21 (2) PROOF OF SERVICE OF A NOTICE OF INTENT TO RELEASE OR
- 22 CONSENT OR THE PUTATIVE FATHER'S VERIFIED ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF
- 23 NOTICE OF INTENT TO RELEASE OR CONSENT SHALL BE FILED WITH THE
- 24 COURT, IF THE NOTICE WAS GIVEN TO THE PUTATIVE FATHER. THE COURT
- 25 SHALL REQUEST THE VITAL RECORDS DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 26 PUBLIC HEALTH TO SEND TO THE COURT A COPY OF ANY NOTICE OF INTENT

- 1 TO CLAIM PATERNITY OF THE PARTICULAR CHILD WHICH THE DIVISION HAS
- 2 RECEIVED.
- 3 (3) NOTICE OF THE HEARING SHALL BE SERVED UPON THE
- 4 FOLLOWING:
- 5 (A) A PUTATIVE FATHER WHO HAS TIMELY FILED A NOTICE OF
- 6 INTENT TO CLAIM PATERNITY AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 9413 OR 9414.
- 7 (B) A PUTATIVE FATHER WHO WAS NOT SERVED A NOTICE OF INTENT
- 8 TO RELEASE OR CONSENT AT LEAST 30 DAYS BEFORE THE EXPECTED DATE
- 9 OF CONFINEMENT SPECIFIED IN THE NOTICE OF INTENT TO RELEASE OR
- 10 CONSENT.
- 11 (C) ANY OTHER MALE WHO WAS NOT SERVED PURSUANT TO SECTION
- 12 9414(1) WITH A NOTICE OF INTENT TO RELEASE OR CONSENT AND WHO THE
- 13 COURT HAS REASON TO BELIEVE MAY BE THE FATHER OF THE CHILD.
- 14 (4) THE NOTICE OF HEARING SHALL INFORM THE PUTATIVE FATHER
- 15 THAT HIS FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THE HEARING SHALL CONSTITUTE A
- 16 DENIAL OF HIS INTEREST IN CUSTODY OF THE CHILD, WHICH DENIAL
- 17 SHALL RESULT IN THE COURT'S TERMINATION OF HIS RIGHTS TO THE
- 18 CHILD.
- 19 (5) PROOF OF SERVICE OF THE NOTICE OF HEARING REQUIRED BY
- 20 SUBSECTION (3) SHALL BE FILED WITH THE COURT. A VERIFIED
- 21 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SERVICE BY THE PARTY TO BE SERVED IS PROOF OF
- 22 PERSONAL SERVICE. NOTICE OF THE HEARING SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED IF
- 23 THE PUTATIVE FATHER IS PRESENT AT THE HEARING. A WAIVER OF
- 24 NOTICE OF HEARING BY A PERSON ENTITLED TO RECEIVE IT IS
- 25 SUFFICIENT.
- 26 (6) THE COURT SHALL RECEIVE EVIDENCE AS TO THE IDENTITY OF
- 27 THE FATHER OF THE CHILD. BASED UPON THE EVIDENCE RECEIVED, THE

- 1 COURT SHALL ENTER A FINDING IDENTIFYING THE FATHER OR DECLARING
- 2 THAT THE IDENTITY OF THE FATHER CANNOT BE DETERMINED.
- 3 (7) IF THE COURT FINDS THAT THE FATHER OF THE CHILD IS A
- 4 PERSON WHO DID NOT RECEIVE EITHER A TIMELY NOTICE OF INTENT TO
- 5 RELEASE OR CONSENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 9414(1) OR A NOTICE
- 6 REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3), AND WHO HAS NEITHER WAIVED
- 7 HIS RIGHT TO NOTICE OF HEARING NOR IS PRESENT AT THE HEARING, THE
- 8 COURT SHALL ADJOURN FURTHER PROCEEDINGS UNTIL THAT PERSON IS
- 9 SERVED WITH A NOTICE OF HEARING.
- 10 SEC. 9417. (1) IF THE COURT HAS PROOF THAT THE PERSON WHOM
- 11 IT DETERMINES PURSUANT TO SECTION 9416 TO BE THE FATHER OF THE
- 12 CHILD WAS TIMELY SERVED WITH A NOTICE OF INTENT TO RELEASE OR
- 13 CONSENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 9414(1) OR WAS SERVED WITH OR WAIVED
- 14 THE NOTICE OF HEARING REQUIRED BY SECTION 9416(3), THE COURT MAY
- 15 PERMANENTLY TERMINATE THE RIGHTS OF THE PUTATIVE FATHER UNDER ANY
- 16 OF THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:
- 17 (A) THE PUTATIVE FATHER SUBMITS A VERIFIED AFFIRMATION OF
- 18 HIS PATERNITY AND A DENIAL OF HIS INTEREST IN CUSTODY OF THE
- 19 CHILD.
- 20 (B) THE PUTATIVE FATHER FILES A DISCLAIMER OF PATERNITY.
- 21 FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION THE FILING OF THE DISCLAIMER OF
- 22 PATERNITY SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF NOTICE OF HEARING AND
- 23 SHALL CONSTITUTE A DENIAL OF HIS INTEREST IN CUSTODY OF THE
- 24 CHILD.
- 25 (C) THE PUTATIVE FATHER WAS SERVED WITH A NOTICE OF INTENT
- 26 TO RELEASE OR CONSENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 9414(1) NOT LESS THAN
- 27 30 DAYS BEFORE THE EXPECTED DATE OF THE CHILD'S BIRTH AS

- 1 SPECIFIED IN THAT NOTICE BUT FAILED TO FILE AN INTENT TO CLAIM
- 2 PATERNITY EITHER BEFORE THE EXPECTED DATE OF THE CHILD'S BIRTH OR
- 3 BEFORE THE BIRTH OF THE CHILD.
- 4 (D) THE PUTATIVE FATHER IS GIVEN PROPER NOTICE OF HEARING
- 5 PURSUANT TO SECTION 9416(3) OR (5) BUT EITHER FAILS TO APPEAR AT
- 6 THE HEARING OR APPEARS AND DENIES HIS INTEREST IN CUSTODY OF THE
- 7 CHILD.
- 8 (2) IF THE IDENTITY OF THE FATHER CANNOT BE DETERMINED, OR
- 9 IF THE IDENTITY OF THE FATHER IS KNOWN BUT HIS WHEREABOUTS CANNOT
- 10 BE DETERMINED, THE COURT SHALL TAKE EVIDENCE TO DETERMINE THE
- 11 FACTS IN THE MATTER. THE COURT MAY TERMINATE THE RIGHTS OF THE
- 12 PUTATIVE FATHER IF THE COURT FINDS FROM THE EVIDENCE THAT REASON-
- 13 ABLE EFFORT HAS BEEN MADE TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE THE FATHER AND
- 14 THAT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST:
- 15 (A) THE PUTATIVE FATHER, WHOSE IDENTITY IS NOT KNOWN, HAS
- 16 NOT MADE PROVISION FOR THE CHILD'S CARE AND DID NOT PROVIDE SUP-
- 17 PORT FOR THE MOTHER DURING HER PREGNANCY OR AT THE TIME OF THE
- 18 CHILD'S BIRTH.
- 19 (B) THE PUTATIVE FATHER, WHOSE IDENTITY IS KNOWN BUT WHOSE
- 20 WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN, HAS NOT PROVIDED SUPPORT FOR THE MOTHER,
- 21 HAS NOT SHOWN ANY INTEREST IN THE CHILD, AND HAS NOT MADE PROVI-
- 22 SION FOR THE CHILD'S CARE, FOR NOT LESS THAN 90 DAYS PRECEDING
- 23 THE HEARING REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 9416.
- 24 SEC. 9419. (1) IF THE PUTATIVE FATHER DOES NOT COME WITHIN
- 25 THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (2), AND IF THE PUTATIVE FATHER
- 26 APPEARS AT THE HEARING AND REQUESTS CUSTODY OF THE CHILD, THE
- 27 COURT SHALL INQUIRE INTO HIS FITNESS AND HIS ABILITY TO PROPERLY

- 1 CARE FOR THE CHILD AND SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER THE BEST INTERESTS
- 2 OF THE CHILD WILL BE SERVED BY GRANTING CUSTODY TO HIM. IF THE
- 3 COURT FINDS THAT IT WOULD NOT BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE
- 4 CHILD TO GRANT CUSTODY TO THE PUTATIVE FATHER, THE COURT SHALL
- 5 TERMINATE HIS RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.
- 6 (2) IF THE PUTATIVE FATHER HAS ESTABLISHED A CUSTODIAL RELA-
- 7 TIONSHIP WITH THE CHILD OR HAS PROVIDED SUPPORT OR CARE FOR THE
- 8 MOTHER DURING PREGNANCY OR FOR EITHER MOTHER OR CHILD AFTER THE
- 9 CHILD'S BIRTH DURING THE 90 DAYS BEFORE NOTICE OF THE HEARING WAS
- 10 SERVED UPON HIM. THE RIGHTS OF THE PUTATIVE FATHER SHALL NOT BE
- 11 TERMINATED EXCEPT BY PROCEEDINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION
- 12 9431(6) OR CHAPTER 96.
- 13 (3) IF THE PARENTAL RIGHTS OF THE MOTHER ARE TERMINATED PUR-
- 14 SUANT TO THIS CHAPTER OR OTHER LAW AND IF THE COURT AWARDS CUS-
- 15 TODY OF A CHILD OUT OF WEDLOCK TO THE PUTATIVE FATHER, THE COURT
- 16 SHALL ENTER AN ORDER GRANTING CUSTODY TO THE PUTATIVE FATHER AND
- 17 LEGITIMATING THE CHILD FOR ALL PURPOSES. THE COURT SHALL RECORD
- 18 THE LEGITIMATION.
- 19 SEC. 9421. (1) A CHILD SHALL NOT BE PLACED IN A HOME FOR
- 20 THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTION UNTIL AN ORDER TERMINATING PARENTAL
- 21 RIGHTS HAS BEEN ENTERED. AFTER AN ORDER TERMINATING PARENTAL
- 22 RIGHTS HAS BEEN ENTERED. THE COURT SHALL ENTER ANY APPROPRIATE
- 23 ORDERS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 9425, 9426, AND 9431. SUCH ORDERS
- 24 SHALL NOT BE WITHHELD BECAUSE THE PERIOD SPECIFIED FOR A REHEAR-
- 25 ING OR AN APPEAL AS OF RIGHT HAS NOT EXPIRED, OR BECAUSE OF THE
- 26 PENDENCY OF ANY REHEARING OR APPEAL AS OF RIGHT.

- 1 (2) IF AN ORDER TERMINATING PARENTAL RIGHTS IS ENTERED, THE
- 2 CHILD MAY BE PLACED IN A HOME FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTION DURING
- 3 THE PERIOD SPECIFIED FOR A REHEARING OR AN APPEAL AS OF RIGHT AND
- 4 THE PERIOD DURING WHICH A REHEARING OR APPEAL AS OF RIGHT IS
- 5 PENDING. WHEN A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, THE COURT, OR THE DEPART-
- 6 MENT PLACES A CHILD PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION, IT SHALL INFORM
- 7 THE PERSON OR PERSONS IN WHOSE HOME THE CHILD IS PLACED THAT AN
- 8 ADOPTION WILL NOT BE ORDERED UNTIL 1 OF THE FOLLOWING OCCURS:
- 9 (A) THE PETITION FOR REHEARING IS GRANTED, AT THE REHEARING
- 10 THE ORDER TERMINATING PARENTAL RIGHTS IS NOT MODIFIED OR SET
- 11 ASIDE, AND SUBSEQUENTLY THE PERIOD FOR APPEAL AS OF RIGHT TO THE
- 12 COURT OF APPEALS HAS EXPIRED WITHOUT AN APPEAL BEING FILED.
- (B) THE PETITION FOR REHEARING IS DENIED AND THE PERIOD FOR
- 14 APPEAL AS OF RIGHT TO THE COURT OF APPEALS HAS EXPIRED WITHOUT AN
- 15 APPEAL BEING FILED.
- 16 (C) THERE IS A DECISION OF THE COURT OF APPEALS AFFIRMING
- 17 THE ORDER TERMINATING PARENTAL RIGHTS.
- 18 (3) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO PREVENT A CHILD
- 19 PLACED IN A LICENSED FOSTER HOME FROM BEING ADOPTED BY THE FOSTER
- 20 PARENT OR PARENTS.
- 21 (4) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY IF THE PETITIONER FOR ADOP-
- 22 TION IS MARRIED TO A PARENT HAVING LEGAL CUSTODY OF THE CHILD.
- 23 SEC. 9423. (1) SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION AND SECTIONS 9424
- 24 AND 9431, CONSENT TO ADOPTION OF A CHILD SHALL BE EXECUTED:
- 25 (A) BY EACH PARENT OF A CHILD TO BE ADOPTED OR THE SURVIVING
- 26 PARENT, EXCEPT UNDER THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:

- 1 (i) THE RIGHTS OF THE PARENT HAVE BEEN TERMINATED BY A COURT 2 OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION.
- 3 (ii) THE CHILD HAS BEEN RELEASED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTION
- 4 TO A CHILD PLACING AGENCY OR TO THE DEPARTMENT.
- 5 (iii) A GUARDIAN OF THE CHILD HAS BEEN APPOINTED.
- 6 (iv) A GUARDIAN OF A PARENT HAS BEEN APPOINTED.
- 7 (ν) THE CHILD IS NOT RELATED TO THE PETITIONER WITHIN THE
- 8 FOURTH DEGREE OF AFFINITY OR CONSANGUINITY.
- 9 (vi) A PARENT HAVING LEGAL CUSTODY OF THE CHILD IS MARRIED 10 TO THE PETITIONER.
- 11 (B) BY THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OR OF
- 12 A CHILD PLACING AGENCY TO WHOM THE CHILD HAS BEEN PERMANENTLY
- 13 COMMITTED BY AN ORDER OF THE COURT.
- 14 (C) BY THE COURT HAVING PERMANENT CUSTODY OF THE CHILD.
- 15 (D) BY THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OR OF
- 16 A CHILD PLACING AGENCY TO WHOM THE CHILD HAS BEEN RELEASED.
- 17 (E) BY THE GUARDIAN OF THE CHILD, IF A GUARDIAN HAS BEEN
- 18 APPOINTED.
- 19 (F) BY THE GUARDIAN OF A PARENT.
- 20 (G) BY THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF A CHILD PLACING
- 21 AGENCY OF ANOTHER STATE OR COUNTRY WHICH HAS AUTHORITY TO CONSENT
- 22 TO ADOPTION.
- 23 (2) IF THE CHILD TO BE ADOPTED IS OVER 14 YEARS OF AGE, THAT
- 24 CHILD'S CONSENT SHALL BE NECESSARY BEFORE THE COURT MAY ENTER AN
- 25 ORDER OF ADOPTION.

- 1 (3) IF THE PERSON TO BE ADOPTED IS AN ADULT, THAT PERSON'S
- 2 CONSENT SHALL BE NECESSARY BEFORE THE COURT MAY ENTER AN ORDER OF
- 3 ADOPTION, BUT CONSENT BY ANY OTHER PERSON IS NOT REQUIRED.
- 4 (4) IF THE PARENT OF THE CHILD TO BE ADOPTED IS AN UNEMANCI-
- 5 PATED MINOR, THAT PARENT'S CONSENT IS NOT VALID UNLESS A PARENT,
- 6 GUARDIAN, OR GUARDIAN AD LITEM OF THAT MINOR PARENT HAS ALSO EXE-
- 7 CUTED THE CONSENT.
- 8 (5) THE GUARDIAN OF THE CHILD TO BE ADOPTED SHALL NOT EXE-
- 9 CUTE A CONSENT TO THAT CHILD'S ADOPTION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
- 10 (1) UNLESS THE GUARDIAN HAS FIRST OBTAINED AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE
- 11 THE CONSENT FROM THE COURT WHICH APPOINTED THE GUARDIAN.
- 12 (6) THE GUARDIAN OF A PARENT SHALL NOT EXECUTE A CONSENT TO
- 13 THE ADOPTION OF THE PARENT'S CHILD PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1)
- 14 UNLESS THE GUARDIAN HAS FIRST OBTAINED AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE THE
- 15 CONSENT FROM THE COURT WHICH APPOINTED THE GUARDIAN. THE CONSENT
- 16 SHALL HAVE THE SAME EFFECT AS IF THE CONSENT WERE EXECUTED BY THE
- 17 PARENT.
- 18 (7) THE PARENT OF A CHILD SHALL NOT EXECUTE A CONSENT UNLESS
- 19 THE PETITIONER IS RELATED TO THE CHILD WITHIN THE FOURTH DEGREE
- 20 OF AFFINITY OR CONSANGUINITY.
- 21 (8) IF THE PETITIONER FOR ADOPTION IS MARRIED TO THE PARENT
- 22 HAVING LEGAL CUSTODY OF THE CHILD AND THAT PARENT HAS JOINED THE
- 23 PETITIONER IN FILING THE PETITION FOR ADOPTION, THAT PARENT SHALL
- 24 NOT EXECUTE A CONSENT TO THE ADOPTION. THE CONSENT OF THE PARENT
- 25 WHO DOES NOT HAVE LEGAL CUSTODY OF THE CHILD AND WHOSE PARENTAL
- 26 RIGHTS HAVE NOT BEEN TERMINATED SHALL BE EXECUTED BEFORE THE
- 27 COURT MAY ENTER AN ORDER OF ADOPTION UNDER SECTION 9435.

- 1 SEC. 9424. (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS
- 2 SECTION, THE CONSENT REQUIRED BY SECTION 9423 SHALL BE BY A SEPA-
- 3 RATE INSTRUMENT EXECUTED BEFORE THE COURT HAVING JURISDICTION OR,
- 4 AT THE COURT'S DIRECTION, BEFORE ANOTHER COURT IN THIS STATE. A
- 5 CONSENT MAY BE EXECUTED BEFORE A REFEREE OF THE COURT. IF THE
- 6 CONSENT OF A PARENT OR GUARDIAN IS EXECUTED BEFORE A JUDGE OR
- 7 REFEREE AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, A VERBATIM RECORD OF TES-
- 8 TIMONY RELATED TO EXECUTION OF THE CONSENT SHALL BE MADE.
- 9 (2) IF THE PERSON WHOSE CONSENT IS REQUIRED IS IN ANY OF THE
- 10 ARMED SERVICES OR IS IN PRISON, THE CONSENT MAY BE EXECUTED AND
- 11 ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO ADMINISTER
- 12 OATHS.
- 13 (3) IF THE CHILD TO BE ADOPTED IS LEGALLY A WARD OF THE
- 14 DEPARTMENT OR OF A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, THE CONSENT REQUIRED TO
- 15 BE MADE UNDER SECTION 9423 BY THE DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
- 16 OF THE DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY MAY BE EXECUTED AND ACKNOWLEDGED
- 17 BEFORE A PERSON AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO ADMINISTER OATHS.
- 18 (4) IF THE CONSENT IS EXECUTED IN ANOTHER STATE OR COUNTRY,
- 19 THE COURT HAVING JURISDICTION OVER THE ADOPTION PROCEEDING IN
- 20 THIS STATE SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER THE CONSENT WAS EXECUTED IN
- 21 ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THAT STATE OR COUNTRY AND SHALL NOT
- 22 PROCEED UNLESS IT FINDS THAT THE CONSENT WAS SO EXECUTED.
- 23 (5) IF A PARENT'S CONSENT TO ADOPTION IS REQUIRED UNDER SEC-
- 24 TION 9423 OR IF A GUARDIAN'S CONSENT IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SEC-
- 25 TION 9423(1)(E), THE CONSENT SHALL NOT BE EXECUTED UNTIL AFTER
- 26 SUCH INVESTIGATION AS THE COURT DEEMS PROPER AND UNTIL AFTER THE
- 27 JUDGE OR OTHER PERSON AUTHORIZED IN SUBSECTION (2) HAS FULLY

- 1 EXPLAINED TO THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN THE LEGAL RIGHTS OF THE
- 2 PARENT OR GUARDIAN AND THE FACT THAT THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN BY
- 3 VIRTUE OF THE CONSENT VOLUNTARILY RELINQUISHES PERMANENTLY HIS OR
- 4 HER RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.
- 5 (6) IF THE ADOPTEE'S CONSENT TO ADOPTION IS REQUIRED UNDER
- 6 SECTION 9423, THE CONSENT SHALL NOT BE EXECUTED UNTIL AFTER SUCH
- 7 INVESTIGATION AS THE COURT DEEMS PROPER AND UNTIL AFTER THE JUDGE
- 8 HAS FULLY EXPLAINED TO THE ADOPTEE THE FACT THAT HE OR SHE IS
- 9 CONSENTING TO ACQUIRE PERMANENTLY THE ADOPTING PARENT OR PARENTS
- 10 AS HIS OR HER LEGAL PARENT OR PARENTS AS THOUGH THE ADOPTEE HAD
- 11 BEEN BORN TO THE ADOPTING PARENT OR PARENTS.
- 12 SEC. 9425. (1) IF A REPRESENTATIVE OR COURT WHOSE CONSENT
- 13 IS REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 9423(1)(B) TO (D) HAS NOT EXECUTED A
- 14 CONSENT WITHIN A REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME, A PERSON WHO HAS
- 15 FILED A PETITION TO ADOPT MAY FILE A MOTION WITH THE COURT TO
- 16 DETERMINE WHETHER THE WITHHOLDING OF CONSENT IS ARBITRARY AND
- 17 CAPRICIOUS.
- 18 (2) IF AT A HEARING, THE COURT FINDS CLEAR AND CONVINCING
- 19 EVIDENCE THAT A CONSENT REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 9423(1)(B) TO (D)
- 20 IS BEING ARBITRARILY AND CAPRICIOUSLY WITHHELD. THE COURT MAY
- 21 TERMINATE THE RIGHTS OF THAT REPRESENTATIVE OR COURT, AND ENTER A
- 22 FINAL ORDER OF ADOPTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS CHAPTER.
- SEC. 9426. (1) IN AN ADOPTION PROCEEDING, THE COURT SHALL
- 24 DIRECT A FULL INVESTIGATION BY AN EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF THE COURT,
- 25 A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, OR THE DEPARTMENT. THE FOLLOWING SHALL
- 26 BE CONSIDERED IN THE INVESTIGATION:

- 1 (A) THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE ADOPTEE.
- 2 (B) THE ADOPTEE'S FAMILY BACKGROUND, INCLUDING NAMES AND
- 3 IDENTIFYING DATA REGARDING THE PARENT OR PARENTS, IF OBTAINABLE.
- 4 (C) THE REASONS FOR THE ADOPTEE'S PLACEMENT AWAY FROM HIS OR
- 5 HER PARENT OR PARENTS.
- 6 (2) A WRITTEN REPORT OF THE INVESTIGATION SHALL BE FILED
- 7 WITHIN 3 MONTHS OF THE ORDER FOR INVESTIGATION.
- 8 SEC. 9431. (1) NOT LATER THAN 14 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE
- 9 REPORT OF INVESTIGATION, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (2)
- 10 AND (5), THE COURT SHALL EXAMINE THE REPORT AND SHALL ENTER AN
- 11 ORDER TERMINATING THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD'S PARENT OR PARENTS, IF
- 12 THERE WAS A PARENTAL CONSENT, OR THE RIGHTS OF ANY PERSON IN LOCO
- 13 PARENTIS, IF THERE WAS A CONSENT BY OTHER THAN PARENTS, IF THE
- 14 JUDGE IS SATISFIED AS TO BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 15 (A) THE GENUINENESS OF CONSENT TO THE ADOPTION AND THE LEGAL
- 16 AUTHORITY OF THE PERSON OR PERSONS SIGNING THE CONSENT.
- 17 (B) THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE ADOPTEE WILL BE SERVED BY THE
- 18 ADOPTION.
- 19 (2) IF IT IS NECESSARY TO HOLD A HEARING BEFORE ENTERING AN
- 20 ORDER TERMINATING THE RIGHTS OF A PARENT, PARENTS, OR A PERSON IN
- 21 LOCO PARENTIS, OR IF OTHER GOOD CAUSE IS SHOWN, THE TIME SPECI-
- 22 FIED IN SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE EXTENDED FOR AN ADDITIONAL 14-DAY
- 23 PERIOD.
- 24 (3) UPON ENTRY OF AN ORDER TERMINATING RIGHTS OF PARENTS OR
- 25 PERSONS IN LOCO PARENTIS, A CHILD SHALL BE A WARD OF THE COURT
- 26 AND A CONSENT TO ADOPTION EXECUTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 9423 SHALL
- 27 NOT THEREAFTER BE WITHDRAWN. ENTRY OF THE ORDER SHALL TERMINATE

- 1 THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT OVER THE CHILD IN A DIVORCE OR
- 2 SEPARATE MAINTENANCE ACTION. IF THE PETITIONER FOR ADOPTION IS
- 3 MARRIED TO THE PARENT HAVING LEGAL CUSTODY OF THE CHILD, THE
- 4 CHILD SHALL NOT BE MADE A WARD OF THE COURT AFTER TERMINATION OF
- 5 THE RIGHTS OF THE OTHER PARENT.
- 6 (4) WITHOUT MAKING THE CHILD A WARD OF THE COURT, THE COURT
- 7 MAY AUTHORIZE PLACEMENT OF A CHILD IF THE CHILD IS PLACED FOR
- 8 ADOPTION IN THIS STATE BY A PUBLIC OR LICENSED PRIVATE AGENCY OF
- 9 ANOTHER STATE OR COUNTRY AND IF THE LAW OF THE SENDING STATE OR
- 10 COUNTRY PROHIBITS THE GIVING OF CONSENT TO ADOPTION AT THE TIME
- 11 OF PLACEMENT. BEFORE PLACEMENT OF THE CHILD IN THAT INSTANCE,
- 12 THE SENDING AGENCY SHALL TENDER EVIDENCE AS THE COURT REQUIRES TO
- 13 DEMONSTRATE THAT THE AGENCY POSSESSES THE NECESSARY AUTHORITY TO
- 14 CONSENT TO THE ADOPTION AT THE TIME OF ENTRY OF THE FINAL ORDER
- 15 OF ADOPTION. AFTER THE SENDING AGENCY HAS GIVEN EVIDENCE OF ITS
- 16 ABILITY TO CONSENT, THE AGENCY SHALL NOT DO ANYTHING TO JEOPAR-
- 17 DIZE ITS ABILITY TO GRANT THE REQUIRED CONSENT BEFORE ENTRY OF
- 18 THE FINAL ORDER OF ADOPTION. AFTER THE SENDING AGENCY GIVES ITS
- 19 CONSENT FOR THE ADOPTION, THAT CONSENT SHALL NOT BE WITHDRAWN.
- 20 (5) IF A PARENT HAVING LEGAL CUSTODY OF THE CHILD IS MARRIED
- 21 TO THE PETITIONER FOR ADOPTION, THE JUDGE SHALL NOT ENTER AN
- 22 ORDER TERMINATING THE RIGHTS OF THAT PARENT.
- 23 (6) IF THE PARENTS OF A CHILD ARE DIVORCED, OR IF THE PAR-
- 24 ENTS ARE UNMARRIED BUT THE FATHER HAS ACKNOWLEDGED PATERNITY OR
- 25 IS A PUTATIVE FATHER WHO MEETS THE CONDITIONS IN SECTION 9419(2),
- 26 AND IF THE PARENT HAVING LEGAL CUSTODY OF THE CHILD SUBSEQUENTLY
- 27 MARRIES AND THAT PARENT'S SPOUSE PETITIONS TO ADOPT THE CHILD,

- 1 THE COURT UPON NOTICE AND HEARING MAY ISSUE AN ORDER TERMINATING
- 2 THE RIGHTS OF THE OTHER PARENT IF BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING OCCUR:
- 3 (A) THE OTHER PARENT, HAVING THE ABILITY TO SUPPORT, OR
- 4 ASSIST IN SUPPORTING, THE CHILD, HAS FAILED OR NEGLECTED TO PRO-
- 5 VIDE REGULAR AND SUBSTANTIAL SUPPORT FOR THE CHILD OR IF A SUP-
- 6 PORT ORDER HAS BEEN ENTERED, HAS FAILED TO SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLY
- 7 WITH THE ORDER, FOR A PERIOD OF 2 YEARS OR MORE BEFORE THE FILING
- 8 OF THE PETITION.
- 9 (B) THE OTHER PARENT, HAVING THE ABILITY TO VISIT, CONTACT,
- 10 OR COMMUNICATE WITH THE CHILD, HAS REGULARLY AND SUBSTANTIALLY
- 11 FAILED OR NEGLECTED TO DO SO FOR A PERIOD OF 2 YEARS OR MORE
- 12 BEFORE THE FILING OF THE PETITION.
- 13 (7) UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT, THE PROSPECTIVE
- 14 ADOPTIVE PARENTS WITH WHOM A CHILD IS PLACED PURSUANT TO A COURT
- 15 ORDER UNDER THIS SECTION MAY CONSENT TO ALL MEDICAL, SURGICAL,
- 16 PSYCHOLOGICAL, EDUCATIONAL, AND RELATED SERVICES FOR THE CHILD.
- 17 SEC. 9432. DURING THE PERIOD BEFORE ENTRY OF THE ORDER OF
- 18 ADOPTION, THE CHILD SHALL BE SUPERVISED AT THE DIRECTION OF THE
- 19 COURT BY AN EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF THE COURT, A CHILD PLACING
- 20 AGENCY, OR THE DEPARTMENT, WHO SHALL MAKE REPORTS REGARDING THE
- 21 ADJUSTMENT OF THE CHILD IN THE HOME AS THE COURT ORDERS. THE
- 22 INVESTIGATIONS SHALL BE MADE UNDER REASONABLE CIRCUMSTANCES AND
- 23 AT REASONABLE INTERVALS.
- 24 SEC. 9434. (1) EXCEPT FOR A CHARGE OR FEE APPROVED BY THE
- 25 COURT, A PERSON SHALL NOT OFFER, GIVE, OR RECEIVE MONEY OR OTHER
- 26 CONSIDERATION OR THING OF VALUE IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OF THE
- 27 FOLLOWING:

- 1 (A) THE PLACING OF A CHILD FOR ADOPTION.
- 2 (B) THE REGISTRATION, RECORDING, OR COMMUNICATION OF THE
- 3 EXISTENCE OF A CHILD AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION OR THE EXISTENCE OF A
- 4 PERSON INTERESTED IN ADOPTING A CHILD.
- 5 (C) A RELEASE.
- 6 (D) A CONSENT.
- 7 (E) A PETITION.
- 8 (2) BEFORE THE ENTRY OF THE FINAL ORDER OF ADOPTION, THE
- 9 PETITIONER SHALL FILE WITH THE COURT A SWORN STATEMENT DESCRIBING
- 10 MONEY OR OTHER CONSIDERATION OR THING OF VALUE PAID TO OR
- 11 EXCHANGED BY A PARTY IN THE ADOPTION PROCEEDING, INCLUDING A
- 12 PERSON CONSENTING TO THE ADOPTION OR ADOPTING THE ADOPTEE; A REL-
- 13 ATIVE OF A PARTY OR OF THE ADOPTEE; A PHYSICIAN, ATTORNEY, SOCIAL
- 14 WORKER, OR MEMBER OF THE CLERGY; AND ANY OTHER PERSON, CORPORA-
- 15 TION, ASSOCIATION, OR OTHER ORGANIZATION. THE COURT SHALL
- 16 APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE FEES AND EXPENSES. ACCEPTANCE OR RETENTION
- 17 OF AMOUNTS IN EXCESS OF THOSE APPROVED BY THE COURT CONSTITUTES A
- 18 VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION.
- 19 (3) TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY THIS
- 20 SECTION AND BY SECTION 14 OF ACT NO. 116 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF
- 21 1973, BEING SECTION 722.124 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, THE
- 22 COURT MAY REQUIRE SWORN TESTIMONY FROM PERSONS WHO WERE INVOLVED
- 23 IN INFORMING, NOTIFYING, EXCHANGING INFORMATION, IDENTIFYING,
- 24 LOCATING, ASSISTING, OR IN ANY OTHER WAY PARTICIPATING IN THE
- 25 CONTRACTS OR ARRANGEMENTS WHICH, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, LED TO
- 26 PLACEMENT OF THE PERSON FOR ADOPTION.

- 1 SEC. 9435. (1) ONE YEAR AFTER THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER
- 2 TERMINATING RIGHTS, UNLESS THE COURT DETERMINES THAT
- 3 CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE ARISEN WHICH MAKE ADOPTION UNDESIRABLE, THE
- 4 COURT MAY ENTER AN ORDER OF ADOPTION. UPON THE MOTION OF THE
- 5 PETITIONER, THE COURT MAY WAIVE THE 1-YEAR PERIOD, OR ANY PORTION
- 6 OF THAT PERIOD, IF THE WAIVER IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE
- 7 ADOPTEE. IF, AFTER A HEARING, THE COURT FINDS THAT THE BEST
- 8 INTERESTS OF THE ADOPTEE WILL BE SERVED THEREBY, IT MAY EXTEND
- 9 THE 1-YEAR PERIOD FOR AN ADDITIONAL PERIOD OF TIME NOT EXCEEDING
- 10 2 YEARS FROM THE TIME OF PLACEMENT FOR ADOPTION. IN AN ADOPTION
- 11 PROCEEDING FOR WHICH AN ADOPTION ORDER IS NOT ENTERED WITHIN 2
- 12 YEARS AFTER PLACEMENT, THE COURT SHALL HOLD A HEARING AND DETER-
- 13 MINE WHETHER AN ORDER OF ADOPTION SHALL BE ENTERED OR THE PETI-
- 14 TION DENIED. IF A CHILD IS PLACED PURSUANT TO SECTION 9421(2),
- 15 THE COURT MAY EXTEND THE 1-YEAR PERIOD FOR AN ADDITIONAL PERIOD.
- 16 WHICH MAY EXCEED 2 YEARS FROM THE TIME OF PLACEMENT, UNTIL AN
- 17 ORDER FOR ADOPTION MAY BE ENTERED UNDER SUBSECTION (2).
- 18 (2) IF A PETITION FOR REHEARING OR AN APPEAL AS OF RIGHT
- 19 FROM AN ORDER TERMINATING PARENTAL RIGHTS HAS BEEN FILED, THE
- 20 COURT SHALL NOT ORDER AN ADOPTION UNTIL 1 OF THE FOLLOWING
- 21 OCCURS:
- 22 (A) THE PETITION FOR REHEARING IS GRANTED, AND AT THE
- 23 REHEARING THE ORDER TERMINATING PARENTAL RIGHTS IS NOT MODIFIED
- 24 OR SET ASIDE, AND SUBSEQUENTLY THE PERIOD FOR APPEAL AS OF RIGHT
- 25 TO THE COURT OF APPEALS HAS EXPIRED WITHOUT AN APPEAL BEING
- 26 FILED.

- 1 (B) THE PETITION FOR REHEARING IS DENIED AND THE PERIOD FOR
- 2 APPEAL AS OF RIGHT TO THE COURT OF APPEALS HAS EXPIRED WITHOUT AN
- 3 APPEAL BEING FILED.
- 4 (C) THERE IS A DECISION OF THE COURT OF APPEALS AFFIRMING
- 5 THE ORDER TERMINATING PARENTAL RIGHTS.
- 6 (3) IF THE PERSON TO BE ADOPTED IS AN ADULT, THE COURT MAY
- 7 ENTER AN ORDER OF ADOPTION AFTER THE FILING REQUIRED BY SECTION
- 8 9423(3) AND THE FILING OF THE WRITTEN REPORT OF INVESTIGATION
- 9 REOUIRED BY SECTION 9426(2) IS MADE.
- 10 SEC. 9437. WHEN THE COURT ENTERS AN ORDER OF ADOPTION, CER-
- 11 TIFIED COPIES SHALL BE GIVEN TO THE ADOPTING PARENT OR PARENTS.
- 12 IF THE CONSENT TO THE ADOPTION WAS GIVEN BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRE-
- 13 SENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT, OF A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, OR OF A
- 14 PUBLIC OR LICENSED PRIVATE AGENCY OF ANOTHER STATE OR COUNTRY, A
- 15 CERTIFIED COPY OF THE ORDER OF ADOPTION SHALL BE FURNISHED BY THE
- 16 COURT TO THE DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY.
- 17 SEC. 9438. IF THE PARENTS OR SURVIVING PARENT HAS GIVEN
- 18 CONSENT TO AN ADOPTION AND THE PETITIONER DESIRES TO CHANGE THE
- 19 NAME OF THE ADOPTED CHILD, THE ORDER OF ADOPTION AND EXEMPLIFICA-
- 20 TION OF RECORD SHALL NOT CONTAIN THE NAME OF THE CHILD'S NATURAL
- 21 PARENTS OR THE NAME BESTOWED UPON THE CHILD BEFORE THE ADOPTION.
- 22 SEC. 9439. (1) AFTER THE ENTRY OF THE ORDER OF ADOPTION,
- 23 THE ADOPTEE SHALL, IN CASE OF A CHANGE OF NAME, BE KNOWN AND
- 24 CALLED BY THE NEW NAME. THE PERSON OR PERSONS ADOPTING THE
- 25 ADOPTEE SHALL THEREAFTER STAND IN THE PLACE OF A PARENT OR PAR-
- 26 ENTS TO THE ADOPTEE IN LAW IN ALL RESPECTS AS THOUGH THE ADOPTED
- 27 PERSON HAD BEEN BORN TO THE ADOPTING PARENTS AND SHALL THEREAFTER

- 1 BE LIABLE FOR ALL THE DUTIES AND ENTITLED TO ALL THE RIGHTS OF
- 2 PARENTS.
- 3 (2) AFTER ENTRY OF THE ORDER OF ADOPTION, THERE SHALL NOT BE
- 4 ANY DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF NATURAL PROGENY
- 5 AND ADOPTED PERSONS, AND THE ADOPTED PERSON SHALL BECOME AN HEIR
- 6 AT LAW OF THE ADOPTING PARENT OR PARENTS, AND AN HEIR AT LAW OF
- 7 THE LINEAL AND COLLATERAL KINDRED OF THE ADOPTING PARENT OR
- 8 PARENTS. AFTER ENTRY OF THE ORDER OF ADOPTION, AN ADOPTED CHILD
- 9 SHALL NO LONGER BE AN HEIR AT LAW OF A PARENT WHOSE RIGHTS HAVE
- 10 BEEN TERMINATED UNDER THIS CHAPTER OR CHAPTER 96 OR THE LINEAL OR
- 11 COLLATERAL KINDRED OF THAT PARENT, NOR SHALL AN ADOPTED ADULT BE
- 12 AN HEIR AT LAW OF A PERSON WHO WAS HIS OR HER PARENT AT THE TIME
- 13 THE ORDER OF ADOPTION WAS ENTERED OR THE LINEAL OR COLLATERAL
- 14 KINDRED OF THAT PERSON, EXCEPT THAT A RIGHT, TITLE, OR INTEREST
- 15 VESTING BEFORE ENTRY OF THE FINAL ORDER OF ADOPTION SHALL NOT BE
- 16 DIVESTED BY THAT ORDER.
- 17 SEC. 9440. IF THE COURT DENIES AN ORDER OF ADOPTION, THE
- 18 COURT MAY RETURN THE CHILD TO THE PARENTS OR ORIGINAL CUSTODIAN
- 19 AND RESTORE THEIR RIGHTS, OR MAKE A DISPOSITION APPROPRIATE FOR
- 20 THE WELFARE OF THE WARD AS IS AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 96 BY AN EX
- 21 PARTE ORDER ENTERED IN THE COURT.
- 22 SEC. 9441. A COURT THAT DENIES A PETITION OR MOTION, OR
- 23 FAILS TO ISSUE AN ORDER UNDER THIS CHAPTER SHALL STATE THE REASON
- 24 FOR THAT ACTION ON THE RECORD OR IN WRITING.
- 25 SEC. 9443. (1) UPON THE FILING OF A PETITION IN THE COURT
- 26 WITHIN 21 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER UNDER THIS CHAPTER, AND

- 1 AFTER DUE NOTICE TO THE INTERESTED PARTIES, THE COURT MAY GRANT A
- 2 REHEARING AND MAY MODIFY OR SET ASIDE THE ORDER.
- 3 (2) THE COURT SHALL ENTER AN ORDER WITH RESPECT TO THE ORIG-
- 4 INAL HEARING OR REHEARING OF CONTESTED MATTERS WITHIN 21 DAYS
- 5 AFTER THE TERMINATION OF THE HEARING OR REHEARING.
- 6 SEC. 9445. (1) A PARTY AGGRIEVED BY AN ORDER WHICH IS
- 7 ENTERED BY THE COURT UNDER THIS CHAPTER, INCLUDING AN ORDER
- 8 ENTERED AFTER A REHEARING, MAY APPEAL THE ORDER TO THE COURT OF
- 9 APPEALS AS OF RIGHT NOT LATER THAN 21 DAYS AFTER THE ORDER IS
- 10 ENTERED BY THE COURT OR NOT LATER THAN 21 DAYS AFTER A PETITION
- 11 FOR A REHEARING IS DENIED.
- 12 (2) AN ORDER OF THE COURT ENTERED UNDER THIS CHAPTER SHALL
- 13 NOT BE STAYED PENDING APPEAL UNLESS ORDERED BY THE COURT OF
- 14 APPEALS UPON MOTION FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN AND ON JUST TERMS.
- 15 (3) AN APPEAL FROM AN ORDER ENTERED UNDER THIS CHAPTER SHALL
- 16 BE GIVEN PRIORITY IN THE COURT OF APPEALS AND SHALL TAKE PRECE-
- 17 DENCE OVER ALL OTHER MATTERS, EXCEPT FOR OTHER MATTERS WHICH ARE
- 18 GIVEN PRIORITY BY SPECIFIC STATUTORY PROVISION OR RULE OF THE
- 19 SUPREME COURT.
- 20 SEC. 9451. (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION
- 21 9453, RECORDS OF PROCEEDINGS IN ADOPTION CASES, INCLUDING A
- 22 NOTICE FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 9413(1), AND A PETITION FILED
- 23 PURSUANT TO SECTION 9414(1), AND THE PAPERS AND BOOKS RELATING TO
- 24 THE PROCEEDINGS SHALL BE KEPT IN SEPARATE LOCKED FILES AND SHALL
- 25 NOT BE OPEN TO INSPECTION OR COPY EXCEPT UPON ORDER OF A COURT OF
- 26 RECORD FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN EXPRESSLY PERMITTING INSPECTION OR
- 27 COPY. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION 9453, THE COURT,

- 1 AFTER 21 DAYS FOLLOWING ENTRY OF THE FINAL ORDER OF ADOPTION,
- 2 SHALL NOT PERMIT COPY OR INSPECTION OF THE ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS,
- 3 EXCEPT UPON A SWORN PETITION SETTING FORTH THE PURPOSE OF THE
- 4 INSPECTION OR COPY. THE COURT MAY ORDER NOTICE AND A HEARING ON
- 5 THE PETITION. THE COURT SHALL GRANT OR DENY THE PETITION IN
- 6 WRITING WITHIN 63 DAYS AFTER THE PETITION IS FILED, EXCEPT THAT
- 7 FOR GOOD CAUSE THE COURT MAY GRANT OR DENY THE PETITION AFTER THE
- 8 63-DAY PERIOD BUT NOT LATER THAN 182 DAYS AFTER THE PETITION IS
- 9 FILED.
- 10 (2) A PERSON IN CHARGE OF ADOPTION RECORDS SHALL NOT DIS-
- 11 CLOSE THE NAMES OF THE BIOLOGICAL OR ADOPTIVE PARENTS OF AN
- 12 ADOPTED PERSON, UNLESS ORDERED TO DO SO BY A COURT OF RECORD OR
- 13 AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 9453, EXCEPT TO MEET REQUIREMENTS OF THE
- 14 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING A NEW CER-
- 15 TIFICATE OF BIRTH IN THE ADOPTIVE NAME AND SEALING THE ORIGINAL
- 16 CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH.
- 17 (3) THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH SHALL FURNISH TO THE
- 18 ADOPTING PARENT OR PARENTS A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE NEW BIRTH CER-
- 19 TIFICATE WHICH SHALL NOT DISCLOSE THE ADOPTION OF THE PERSON. A
- 20 BIRTH CERTIFICATE ISSUED TO AN ADOPTED PERSON SHALL NOT REFER TO
- 21 ADOPTION AND SHALL CONFORM AS NEARLY AS POSSIBLE TO THE APPEAR-
- 22 ANCE OF BIRTH CERTIFICATES ISSUED IN OTHER CASES.
- 23 SEC. 9453. (1) ALL OF THE NONIDENTIFYING INFORMATION
- 24 REQUIRED BY SECTION 9407(1) AND (2) SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE IN
- 25 WRITING TO THE ADOPTIVE PARENTS AT THE TIME OF PLACEMENT AND
- 26 THEREAFTER WITHIN 63 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF A REQUEST FOR
- 27 INFORMATION, AND SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE IN WRITING TO AN ADULT

- 1 ADOPTEE WITHIN 63 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF A REQUEST FOR
- 2 INFORMATION.
- 3 (2) WITHIN 63 DAYS AFTER A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION IS
- 4 RECEIVED, A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, COURT, OR THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 5 PROVIDE IN WRITING TO THE BIOLOGICAL PARENT OR ADULT BIOLOGICAL
- 6 SIBLING REQUESTING THE INFORMATION ALL OF THE NONIDENTIFYING
- 7 INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 9407(1) AND (2).
- 8 (3) WITHIN 63 DAYS AFTER A REQUEST FOR IDENTIFYING INFORMA-
- 9 TION IS RECEIVED, A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, COURT, OR THE DEPART-
- 10 MENT SHALL PROVIDE IN WRITING TO THE BIOLOGICAL PARENT OR ADULT
- 11 BIOLOGICAL SIBLING REQUESTING THE INFORMATION THE ADULT ADOPTEE'S
- 12 MOST RECENT NAME AND ADDRESS AND THE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION
- 13 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 9407(3) IF THE ADULT ADOPTEE HAS GIVEN WRIT-
- 14 TEN CONSENT TO RELEASE OF THE INFORMATION PURSUANT TO THIS
- 15 CHAPTER.
- 16 (4) IF THE DEPARTMENT OR A CHILD PLACING AGENCY RECEIVES A
- 17 REQUEST FOR ADOPTION RECORD INFORMATION IN THEIR POSSESSION FROM
- 18 AN ADULT ADOPTEE, BIOLOGICAL PARENT, OR ADULT BIOLOGICAL SIBLING,
- 19 THE DEPARTMENT OR CHILD PLACING AGENCY SHALL PROVIDE THE PERSON
- 20 REQUESTING THE INFORMATION WITH THE IDENTITY OF THE COURT THAT
- 21 CONFIRMED THE ADOPTION WITHIN 28 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE
- 22 REQUEST. IF A COURT RECEIVES SUCH A REQUEST, THE COURT SHALL
- 23 PROVIDE THE PERSON REQUESTING THE INFORMATION WITH THE IDENTITY
- 24 OF THE CHILD PLACING AGENCY THAT HANDLED THE ADOPTION.
- 25 (5) FOR ADOPTIONS IN WHICH THE BIOLOGICAL PARENTS' RIGHTS
- 26 WERE TERMINATED BEFORE SEPTEMBER 12, 1980, A CHILD PLACING
- 27 AGENCY, A COURT, OR THE DEPARTMENT HAVING THE RECORDS OF AN

- 1 ADOPTEE AND HAVING RECEIVED A WRITTEN REQUEST FROM THAT ADOPTEE
- 2 AS AN ADULT FOR INFORMATION IDENTIFYING THE ADOPTEE'S BIOLOGICAL
- 3 PARENTS, SHALL RELEASE THE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN
- 4 SECTION 9407(3) AND OTHER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON FILE WITH
- 5 THE DEPARTMENT AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 9407(5), IN THE FOLLOWING
- 6 MANNER:
- 7 (A) ALL INFORMATION ON BOTH BIOLOGICAL PARENTS SHALL BE
- 8 RELEASED TO THE ADULT ADOPTEE, IF BOTH BIOLOGICAL PARENTS HAVE ON
- 9 FILE WITH THE DEPARTMENT A STATEMENT CONSENTING TO RELEASE OF
- 10 IDENTIFYING INFORMATION.
- 11 (B) INFORMATION PERTAINING TO 1 OF THE BIOLOGICAL PARENTS
- 12 SHALL BE RELEASED TO THE ADULT ADOPTEE IF THAT BIOLOGICAL PARENT
- 13 HAS ON FILE WITH THE DEPARTMENT A STATEMENT CONSENTING TO RELEASE
- 14 OF IDENTIFYING INFORMATION.
- 15 (C) INFORMATION PERTAINING TO 1 OF THE BIOLOGICAL PARENTS
- 16 SHALL BE RELEASED TO THE ADULT ADOPTEE IF THAT PARENT IS
- 17 DECEASED, OR IF A CHILD OF THAT PARENT WHO IS NOW AN ADULT AND
- 18 WHO IS A SIBLING OF THE ADOPTEE HAS ON FILE WITH THE DEPARTMENT A
- 19 CONSENT TO THE RELEASE OF IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF THAT
- 20 DECEASED PARENT.
- 21 (D) ALL INFORMATION ON BOTH BIOLOGICAL PARENTS SHALL BE
- 22 RELEASED TO THE ADULT ADOPTEE, IF BOTH BIOLOGICAL PARENTS ARE
- 23 DECEASED.
- 24 (6) FOR ALL ADOPTIONS IN WHICH THE BIOLOGICAL PARENTS'
- 25 RIGHTS WERE TERMINATED AFTER SEPTEMBER 12, 1980, AN ADOPTEE NOT
- 26 LESS THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO OBTAIN THE
- 27 IDENTIFYING INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 9407(3) AND ANY

- 1 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON FILE WITH THE DEPARTMENT AS SPECIFIED
- 2 IN SECTION 9407(5), EXCEPT THAT IF A BIOLOGICAL PARENT HAS FILED
- 3 A STATEMENT CURRENTLY IN EFFECT WITH THE DEPARTMENT DENYING CON-
- 4 SENT TO HAVE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION RELEASED, IDENTIFYING INFOR-
- 5 MATION SHALL NOT BE RELEASED ABOUT THAT PARENT. THE INFORMATION
- 6 SHALL BE PROVIDED WITHIN 63 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE REQUEST.
- 7 (7) UPON RECEIPT OF A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR IDENTIFYING INFOR-
- 8 MATION FROM AN ADULT ADOPTEE, A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, COURT, OR
- 9 THE DEPARTMENT, IF IT MAINTAINS THAT ADOPTION FILE, SHALL REQUEST
- 10 INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT FILE AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION
- 11 9407(5), PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION. UPON
- 12 RECEIPT OF A RESPONSE FROM THE DEPARTMENT FILE, A CHILD PLACING
- 13 AGENCY, COURT, OR THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY THE ADOPTEE IN
- 14 WRITING, WITHIN 28 DAYS AFTER THE RECEIPT OF THE RESPONSE, OF THE
- 15 IDENTIFYING INFORMATION TO WHICH THE ADOPTEE IS ENTITLED, OR, IF
- 16 THE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION CANNOT BE RELEASED PURSUANT TO THIS
- 17 SECTION, THE REASON WHY THE INFORMATION CANNOT BE RELEASED. THE
- 18 CHILD PLACING AGENCY, COURT, OR THE DEPARTMENT SHALL RETAIN A
- 19 COPY OF THE NOTICE SENT TO THE ADULT ADOPTEE. ONCE THE IDENTIFY-
- 20 ING INFORMATION IS RELEASED TO THE ADULT ADOPTEE, AND UPON THE
- 21 REQUEST OF THE ADULT ADOPTEE, BIOLOGICAL PARENT, ADULT BIOLOGICAL
- 22 SIBLING, OR ADOPTIVE PARENT, THE CHILD PLACING AGENCY, COURT, OR
- 23 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE FOR COUNSELING TO THAT PERSON.
- 24 (8) IF A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, COURT, OR THE DEPARTMENT PRO-
- 25 VIDES AN ADOPTEE WITH THE NAME OF EITHER OF THE ADOPTEE'S BIOLOG-
- 26 ICAL PARENTS, THAT CHILD PLACING AGENCY, COURT, OR DEPARTMENT
- 27 SHALL NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF THAT FACT. UPON

- 1 RECEIPT OF NOTIFICATION BY THE CHILD PLACING AGENCY, COURT, OR
- 2 DEPARTMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH SHALL INSURE THAT THE
- 3 ORIGINAL BIRTH CERTIFICATE ON FILE FOR THE ADOPTEE HAS BEEN
- 4 SEALED AND THAT A NEW BIRTH CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN PREPARED IN CON-
- 5 FORMANCE WITH SECTION 9451.
- 6 (9) AN EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, THE
- 7 COURT, OR THE DEPARTMENT, WHO INTENTIONALLY RELEASES IDENTIFYING
- 8 INFORMATION IN VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION, IS GUILTY OF A
- 9 MISDEMEANOR.
- 10 (10) THIS SECTION ALSO APPLIES TO A STEPPARENT ADOPTION AND
- 11 TO THE ADOPTION OF A CHILD RELATED TO THE PETITIONER WITHIN THE
- 12 FOURTH DEGREE OF AFFINITY OR CONSANGUINITY.
- 13 (11) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "ADULT ADOPTEE" MEANS A PERSON
- 14 WHO WAS ADOPTED AS A CHILD WHO IS NOW 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER OR
- 15 A PERSON WHO WAS 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AT THE TIME OF
- 16 ADOPTION.
- 17 (12) A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, A COURT, AND THE DEPARTMENT MAY
- 18 REQUIRE A FEE OF \$60.00 OR THE ACTUAL COST OF SUPPLYING THE
- 19 INFORMATION, WHICHEVER IS LESS, FOR SUPPLYING INFORMATION UNDER
- 20 THIS SECTION. THE CHILD PLACING AGENCY, THE COURT, AND THE
- 21 DEPARTMENT MAY WAIVE A PART OR ALL OF THE FEE IN CASE OF INDI-
- 22 GENCY OR HARDSHIP.
- 23 SEC. 9453A. (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP AND PUBLISH AN
- 24 INFORMATION PAMPHLET EXPLAINING THE RELEASE OF INFORMATION FROM
- 25 ADOPTION RECORDS PURSUANT TO THIS ACT.
- 26 (2) IF THE DEPARTMENT, A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, OR THE COURT
- 27 IS CONTACTED BY AN ADOPTEE, BIRTH PARENT, OR ADOPTIVE PARENT, IT

- 1 SHALL PROVIDE THE ADOPTEE, BIRTH PARENT, OR ADOPTIVE PARENT WITH
- 2 A COPY OF THE INFORMATION PAMPHLET DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)
- 3 WITHIN 14 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE CONTACT OR AT THE TIME OTHER
- 4 INFORMATION REQUESTED BY THE ADOPTEE, BIRTH PARENT, OR ADOPTIVE
- 5 PARENT IS PROVIDED.
- 6 SEC. 9456. A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SECTION 9421 OR 9434 IS
- 7 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND UPON A SUBSEQUENT CONVICTION, IS
- 8 GUILTY OF A FELONY.
- 9 CHAPTER 95
- 10 SEC. 9501. (1) THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT FOR A COUNTY
- 11 MAY ENTER AN ORDER TO CHANGE THE NAME OF A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN A
- 12 RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY FOR NOT LESS THAN 1 YEAR AND WHO MAKES A
- 13 PETITION IN WRITING TO THE COURT FOR THAT PURPOSE SHOWING A SUF-
- 14 FICIENT REASON FOR THE PROPOSED CHANGE AND THAT THE CHANGE IS NOT
- 15 SOUGHT WITH ANY FRAUDULENT INTENT. WHEN THE PETITION IS FILED,
- 16 THE COURT SHALL SET A TIME AND PLACE FOR HEARING AND ORDER PUBLI-
- 17 CATION AS PROVIDED BY SUPREME COURT RULE. UPON THE FILING OF A
- 18 PETITION, THE COURT MAY PERMIT A PERSON HAVING THE SAME NAME, OR
- 19 A SIMILAR NAME TO THAT WHICH THE PETITIONER PROPOSES TO ASSUME,
- 20 TO INTERVENE IN THE PROCEEDING FOR THE PURPOSE OF SHOWING FRAUDU-
- 21 LENT INTENT. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3), IF THE PETI-
- 22 TIONER IS A MINOR, THE PETITION SHALL BE SIGNED BY THE MOTHER AND
- 23 FATHER JOINTLY, OR BY THE SURVIVING PARENT IF 1 IS DECEASED, OR
- 24 IF BOTH PARENTS ARE DECEASED, BY THE GUARDIAN OF THE PERSON OF
- 25 THE MINOR, OR BY THE MINOR'S PARENT, IF THERE IS NOT ANOTHER
- 26 LEGAL PARENT TO GIVE CONSENT. IF EITHER PARENT HAS BEEN DECLARED
- 27 MENTALLY INCOMPETENT, THE PETITION MAY BE SIGNED BY THE GUARDIAN

- 1 FOR THAT PARENT. THE WRITTEN CONSENT TO THE CHANGE OF NAME OF A
- 2 MINOR 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, SIGNED BY THE MINOR IN THE PRES-
- 3 ENCE OF THE COURT, SHALL BE FILED WITH THE COURT BEFORE ANY ORDER
- 4 CHANGING THE NAME OF THE MINOR IS ENTERED. IF THE COURT CONSID-
- 5 ERS THE CHILD TO BE OF SUFFICIENT AGE TO EXPRESS A PREFERENCE, A
- 6 MINOR UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE SHALL BE CONSULTED BY THE COURT AS TO
- 7 A CHANGE IN HIS OR HER NAME AND HIS OR HER WISHES SHALL BE CON-
- 8 SIDERED BY THE COURT.
- 9 (2) IF THE PETITIONER IS MARRIED, THE COURT, IN ITS ORDER
- 10 CHANGING THE NAME OF THE PETITIONER, MAY INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE
- 11 SPOUSE, IF THE SPOUSE CONSENTS, AND MAY INCLUDE THE NAMES OF
- 12 MINOR CHILDREN OF THE PETITIONER OF WHOM THE PETITIONER HAS LEGAL
- 13 CUSTODY. THE WRITTEN CONSENT TO THE CHANGE OF NAME OF A CHILD 14
- 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, SIGNED BY THE CHILD IN THE PRESENCE OF THE
- 15 COURT, SHALL BE FILED WITH THE COURT BEFORE THE COURT INCLUDES
- 16 THAT CHILD IN ITS ORDER. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3),
- 17 THE NAME OF A MINOR UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE MAY NOT BE CHANGED
- 18 UNLESS HE OR SHE IS THE NATURAL OR ADOPTED CHILD OF THE PETI-
- 19 TIONER AND UNLESS CONSENT IS OBTAINED FROM THE MOTHER AND FATHER
- 20 JOINTLY, OR FROM THE SURVIVING PARENT IF 1 IS DECEASED, OR FROM
- 21 THE MINOR'S PARENT IF THERE IS NOT ANOTHER LEGAL PARENT TO GIVE
- 22 CONSENT. IF THE COURT CONSIDERS THE CHILD TO BE OF SUFFICIENT
- 23 AGE TO EXPRESS A PREFERENCE, A MINOR UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE SHALL
- 24 BE CONSULTED BY THE COURT AS TO A CHANGE IN HIS OR HER NAME AND
- 25 HIS OR HER WISHES SHALL BE CONSIDERED BY THE COURT.
- 26 (3) THE NAME OF A MINOR MAY BE CHANGED PURSUANT TO
- 27 SUBSECTION (1) OR (2) WITH THE CONSENT OR SIGNATURE OF THE

- I CUSTODIAL PARENT UPON NOTICE TO THE NONCUSTODIAL PARENT PURSUANT
- 2 TO SUPREME COURT RULE AND AFTER HEARING IF BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING
- 3 OCCUR:
- 4 (A) THE OTHER PARENT, HAVING THE ABILITY TO SUPPORT OR
- 5 ASSIST IN SUPPORTING THE CHILD, HAS FAILED OR NEGLECTED TO PRO-
- 6 VIDE REGULAR AND SUBSTANTIAL SUPPORT FOR THE CHILD; OR IF A SUP-
- 7 PORT ORDER HAS BEEN ENTERED, HAS FAILED TO SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLY
- 8 WITH THE ORDER, FOR A PERIOD OF 2 YEARS OR MORE BEFORE THE FILING
- 9 OF THE PETITION.
- 10 (B) THE OTHER PARENT, HAVING THE ABILITY TO VISIT, CONTACT,
- 11 OR COMMUNICATE WITH THE CHILD, HAS REGULARLY AND SUBSTANTIALLY
- 12 FAILED OR NEGLECTED TO DO SO FOR A PERIOD OF 2 YEARS OR MORE
- 13 BEFORE THE FILING OF THE PETITION.
- 14 SEC. 9502. THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SHALL REQUIRE THE
- 15 PERSON MAKING A PETITION UNDER SECTION 9501 TO PAY TO THE COURT A
- 16 FEE OF \$10.00, AND SHALL FURNISH TO THE PETITIONER, IF DESIRED, A
- 17 CERTIFIED COPY OF THE ORDER MADE IN THE MATTER, UPON PAYMENT OF
- 18 THE STATUTORY FEE. THE COURT SHALL REMIT THE FEE TO THE COUNTY
- 19 TREASURER FOR DEPOSIT IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND.
- 20 CHAPTER 96
- 21 SEC. 9601. (1) AS USED IN THIS CHAPTER, "COURT" OR
- 22 "DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT" MEANS THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT
- 23 CREATED IN CHAPTER 92.
- 24 (2) PROCEEDINGS UNDER THIS CHAPTER SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED
- 25 CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS.
- 26 (3) THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE LIBERALLY CONSTRUED TO THE END
- 27 THAT EACH CHILD COMING WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT SHALL

- 1 RECEIVE THE CARE, GUIDANCE, AND CONTROL, PREFERABLY IN THE
- 2 CHILD'S OWN HOME, AS WILL BE CONDUCIVE TO THE CHILD'S WELFARE AND
- 3 THE BEST INTEREST OF THE STATE AND THAT WHEN THE CHILD IS REMOVED
- 4 FROM THE CONTROL OF HIS OR HER PARENTS, THE COURT SHALL SECURE
- 5 CARE AS NEARLY AS POSSIBLE EQUIVALENT TO THE CARE WHICH SHOULD
- 6 HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO THE CHILD BY THOSE PARENTS.
- 7 SEC. 9602. (1) THE COURT SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY AND
- 8 JURISDICTION DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION.
- 9 (2) THE COURT HAS EXCLUSIVE ORIGINAL JURISDICTION SUPERIOR
- 10 TO AND REGARDLESS OF THE JURISDICTION OF ANY OTHER COURT IN PRO-
- 11 CEEDINGS CONCERNING A CHILD UNDER 17 YEARS OF AGE WHO IS FOUND
- 12 WITHIN THE COUNTY IF | OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- (A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, THE
- 14 CHILD HAS VIOLATED ANY MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE OR LAW OF THE STATE OR
- 15 OF THE UNITED STATES. THE COURT SHALL HAVE JURISDICTION OVER A
- 16 CHILD 15 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER WHO IS CHARGED WITH A VIOLATION OF
- 17 SECTION 83, 89, 91, 316, 317, 520B, OR 529 OF THE MICHIGAN PENAL
- 18 CODE, ACT NO. 328 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1931, BEING SECTIONS
- 19 750.83, 750.89, 750.91, 750.316, 750.317, 750.520B, AND 750.529
- 20 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, OR SECTION 7401(2)(A)(i) OR
- 21 7403(2)(A)(i) OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH CODE, ACT NO. 368 OF THE
- 22 PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, BEING SECTIONS 333.7401 AND 333.7403 OF THE
- 23 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, IF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY FILES A PETI-
- 24 TION IN THE COURT INSTEAD OF AUTHORIZING A COMPLAINT AND
- 25 WARRANT.
- 26 (B) THE CHILD HAS DESERTED HIS OR HER HOME WITHOUT
- 27 SUFFICIENT CAUSE AND THE COURT FINDS ON THE RECORD THAT THE CHILD

- 1 HAS BEEN PLACED OR REFUSED ALTERNATIVE PLACEMENT OR THE CHILD AND
- 2 THE CHILD'S PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN HAVE EXHAUSTED OR
- 3 REFUSED FAMILY COUNSELING.
- 4 (C) THE CHILD IS REPEATEDLY DISOBEDIENT TO THE REASONABLE
- 5 AND LAWFUL COMMANDS OF HIS OR HER PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN
- 6 AND THE COURT FINDS ON THE RECORD BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVI-
- 7 DENCE THAT COURT-ACCESSED SERVICES ARE NECESSARY.
- 8 (D) THE CHILD WILLFULLY AND REPEATEDLY ABSENTS HIMSELF OR
- 9 HERSELF FROM SCHOOL OR OTHER LEARNING PROGRAM INTENDED TO MEET
- 10 THE CHILD'S EDUCATIONAL NEEDS, OR REPEATEDLY VIOLATES RULES AND
- 11 REGULATIONS OF THE SCHOOL OR OTHER LEARNING PROGRAM, AND THE
- 12 COURT FINDS ON THE RECORD THAT THE CHILD, THE CHILD'S PARENT,
- 13 GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS OR LEARNING PROGRAM
- 14 PERSONNEL HAVE MET ON THE CHILD'S EDUCATIONAL PROBLEMS, AND EDU-
- 15 CATIONAL COUNSELING AND ALTERNATIVE AGENCY HELP HAVE BEEN
- 16 SOUGHT. AS USED IN THIS SUBDIVISION ONLY, "LEARNING PROGRAM"
- 17 MEANS AN ORGANIZED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM THAT IS APPROPRIATE, GIVEN
- 18 THE AGE, INTELLIGENCE, ABILITY, AND ANY PSYCHOLOGICAL LIMITATIONS
- 19 OF A CHILD, IN THE SUBJECT AREAS OF READING, SPELLING, MATHEMAT-
- 20 ICS, SCIENCE, HISTORY, CIVICS, WRITING, AND ENGLISH GRAMMAR.
- 21 (3) THE COURT HAS JURISDICTION IN PROCEEDINGS CONCERNING ANY
- 22 CHILD UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE FOUND WITHIN THE COUNTY:
- 23 (A) WHOSE PARENT OR OTHER PERSON LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
- 24 CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF THE CHILD, WHEN ABLE TO DO SO, NEGLECTS
- 25 OR REFUSES TO PROVIDE PROPER OR NECESSARY SUPPORT, EDUCATION,
- 26 MEDICAL, SURGICAL, OR OTHER CARE NECESSARY FOR HIS OR HER HEALTH
- 27 OR MORALS, WHO IS SUBJECT TO A SUBSTANTIAL RISK OF HARM TO HIS OR

- 1 HER MENTAL WELL-BEING, WHO IS ABANDONED BY HIS OR HER PARENTS,
- 2 GUARDIAN, OR OTHER CUSTODIAN, OR WHO IS WITHOUT PROPER CUSTODY OR
- 3 GUARDIANSHIP. AS USED IN THIS SUBDIVISION:
- 4 (i) "EDUCATION" MEANS LEARNING BASED ON AN ORGANIZED EDUCA-
- 5 TIONAL PROGRAM THAT IS APPROPRIATE, GIVEN THE AGE, INTELLIGENCE,
- 6 ABILITY, AND ANY PSYCHOLOGICAL LIMITATIONS OF A CHILD, IN THE
- 7 SUBJECT AREAS OF READING, SPELLING, MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE, HISTO-
- 8 RY, CIVICS, WRITING, AND ENGLISH GRAMMAR.
- 9 (ii) "WITHOUT PROPER CUSTODY OR GUARDIANSHIP" DOES NOT
- 10 INCLUDE THE SITUATION WHERE A PARENT HAS PLACED THE CHILD WITH
- 11 ANOTHER PERSON WHO IS LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CARE AND MAIN-
- 12 TENANCE OF THE CHILD AND WHO IS ABLE TO AND DOES PROVIDE THE
- 13 CHILD WITH PROPER CARE AND MAINTENANCE.
- 14 (B) WHOSE HOME OR ENVIRONMENT, BY REASON OF NEGLECT, CRUEL-
- 15 TY, DRUNKENNESS, CRIMINALITY, OR DEPRAVITY ON THE PART OF A
- 16 PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR OTHER CUSTODIAN, IS AN UNFIT PLACE FOR THE
- 17 CHILD TO LIVE IN.
- 18 (4) IF A PETITION IS FILED IN ANY COURT ALLEGING THAT A
- 19 CHILD IS WITHIN THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (3), AND THE CUSTODY
- 20 OF THAT CHILD IS SUBJECT TO THE PRIOR OR CONTINUING ORDER OF
- 21 ANOTHER COURT OF RECORD OF THIS STATE, THE MANNER OF NOTICE TO
- 22 THE OTHER COURT AND THE AUTHORITY OF THE COURT TO PROCEED SHALL
- 23 BE GOVERNED BY RULE OF THE SUPREME COURT.
- 24 (5) THE COURT HAS JURISDICTION OVER CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS
- 25 OF AGE, JURISDICTION OF WHOM HAS BEEN WAIVED TO THE COURT BY A
- 26 CIRCUIT COURT PURSUANT TO A PROVISION IN A TEMPORARY ORDER FOR
- 27 CUSTODY OF CHILDREN BASED UPON A COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE OR UPON A

- 1 MOTION PURSUANT TO A COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE BY THE PROSECUTING
- 2 ATTORNEY, IN A DECREE OF DIVORCE DISSOLVING A MARRIAGE BETWEEN
- 3 THE PARENTS OF THE MINOR CHILDREN, OR BY AN AMENDED DECREE RELA-
- 4 TIVE TO THE CUSTODY OF THE CHILD IN A DIVORCE.
- 5 (6) IF THE COURT FINDS ON THE RECORD THAT VOLUNTARY SERVICES
- 6 HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED OR REFUSED, THE COURT HAS CONCURRENT JURIS-
- 7 DICTION IN PROCEEDINGS CONCERNING ANY CHILD BETWEEN THE AGES OF
- 8 17 AND 18 FOUND WITHIN THE COUNTY WHO MEETS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING
- 9 CRITERIA:
- (A) IS REPEATEDLY ADDICTED TO THE USE OF DRUGS OR THE INTEM-
- 11 PERATE USE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.
- 12 (B) REPEATEDLY ASSOCIATES WITH CRIMINAL, DISSOLUTE, OR DIS-
- 13 ORDERLY PERSONS.
- 14 (C) IS FOUND OF HIS OR HER OWN FREE WILL AND KNOWLEDGE IN A
- 15 HOUSE OF PROSTITUTION, ASSIGNATION, OR ILL-FAME.
- 16 (D) REPEATEDLY ASSOCIATES WITH THIEVES, PROSTITUTES, PIMPS,
- 17 OR PROCURERS.
- 18 (E) IS WILLFULLY DISOBEDIENT TO THE REASONABLE AND LAWFUL
- 19 COMMANDS OF HIS OR HER PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR OTHER CUSTODIAN AND
- 20 IS IN DANGER OF BECOMING MORALLY DEPRAVED.
- 21 (7) IF ANY CHILD IS BROUGHT BEFORE THE COURT IN A COUNTY
- 22 OTHER THAN THAT IN WHICH THE CHILD RESIDES, THE COURT MAY ENTER
- 23 AN ORDER PRIOR TO HEARING TRANSFERRING THE JURISDICTION OF THE
- 24 MATTER TO THE COURT OF THE COUNTY OF RESIDENCE, WHICH SHALL NOT
- 25 BE CONSTRUED AS A LEGAL SETTLEMENT AS DEFINED IN SECTION 55 OF
- 26 THE SOCIAL WELFARE ACT, ACT NO. 280 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1939,
- 27 BEING SECTION 400.55 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, WITH THE

- 1 CONSENT OF THE JUDGE OF THE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF RESIDENCE,
- 2 WHICH ORDER, TOGETHER WITH A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN
- 3 THE COURT OF THE COUNTY OTHER THAN THE COUNTY OF RESIDENCE, SHALL
- 4 BE DELIVERED TO THE COURT OF THE COUNTY OF RESIDENCE.
- 5 (8) AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH OR ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A
- 6 PROGRAM OR PROGRAMS WITHIN THE COUNTY TO PREVENT DELINQUENCY AND
- 7 PROVIDE SERVICES TO ACT UPON REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE COURT
- 8 RELATED TO THE BEHAVIOR OF CHILDREN WHO DO NOT REQUIRE FORMAL
- 9 COURT JURISDICTION BUT OTHERWISE FALL WITHIN SUBSECTION (2).
- 10 THESE SERVICES SHALL BE USED ONLY IF THEY ARE VOLUNTARILY
- 11 ACCEPTED BY THE CHILD AND HIS OR HER PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR
- 12 CUSTODIAN.
- 13 (9) IF THE COURT OPERATES A DETENTION HOME FOR CHILDREN
- 14 WITHIN THE COURT'S JURISDICTION UNDER SUBSECTION (2)(A), AUTHOR-
- 15 ITY TO PLACE A CHILD WITHIN THAT HOME PENDING TRIAL IF THE CHILD
- 16 IS WITHIN THE CIRCUIT COURT'S JURISDICTION UNDER SECTION 606 OR
- 17 WITHIN THE RECORDER'S COURT OF THE CITY OF DETROIT'S JURISDICTION
- 18 UNDER SECTION 10A(1)(C) OF ACT NO. 369 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF
- 19 1919, BEING SECTION 725.10A OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, AND
- 20 THE CHILD IS ORDERED SO PLACED BY THE CIRCUIT COURT OR THE
- 21 RECORDER'S COURT OF THE CITY OF DETROIT. IF THE CIRCUIT COURT OR
- 22 THE RECORDER'S COURT OF THE CITY OF DETROIT ISSUES AN ORDER TO
- 23 THE COURT IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE CIRCUIT COURT OR THE
- 24 RECORDER'S COURT IS LOCATED AND ORDERS A CHILD PLACED IN A DETEN-
- 25 TION HOME OPERATED AS AN AGENCY OF THE COURT PENDING TRIAL, THE
- 26 COURT SHALL COMPLY WITH THAT ORDER.

- 1 (10) THE COURT MAY ISSUE AN ORDER AUTHORIZING A PEACE
- 2 OFFICER OR OTHER PERSON DESIGNATED BY THE COURT TO APPREHEND A
- 3 CHILD WHO IS ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE FROM AN INSTITUTION OR FACILITY
- 4 TO WHICH THE CHILD WAS COMMITTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 9629, HAS
- 5 VIOLATED PROBATION, OR HAS FAILED TO APPEAR FOR A HEARING ON A
- 6 PETITION CHARGING VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION. THE ORDER SHALL SET
- 7 FORTH SPECIFICALLY THE IDENTITY OF THE CHILD SOUGHT AND THE
- 8 HOUSE, BUILDING, OR OTHER LOCATION OR PLACE WHERE THERE IS PROBA-
- 9 BLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE THE CHILD IS TO BE FOUND. A PERSON WHO
- 10 INTERFERES WITH THE LAWFUL ATTEMPT TO EXECUTE AN ORDER ISSUED
- 11 PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR.
- 12 (11) THE COURT HAS JURISDICTION OVER ADULTS INCIDENTAL TO
- 13 THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT OVER A CHILD AND MAY MAKE ORDERS
- 14 AFFECTING ADULTS, WHICH IN THE OPINION OF THE COURT ARE NECESSARY
- 15 FOR THE PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR MORAL WELL-BEING OF A PARTICULAR
- 16 CHILD UNDER ITS JURISDICTION, IF THE ORDERS ARE INCIDENTAL TO THE
- 17 JURISDICTION OF THE COURT OVER THAT CHILD.
- 18 SEC. 9603. IF A PETITION IS FILED IN THE COURT ALLEGING
- 19 THAT A CHILD IS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT UNDER
- 20 SECTION 9602(2), AND THE CUSTODY OF THE CHILD IS SUBJECT TO THE
- 21 PRIOR OR CONTINUING ORDER OF ANOTHER COURT OF RECORD OF THIS
- 22 STATE, THE COURT IN WHICH THE PETITION IS FILED IMMEDIATELY SHALL
- 23 CAUSE NOTICE OF THE FILING OF THE PETITION TO BE SERVED UPON THE
- 24 PROSECUTING ATTORNEY FOR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE OTHER COURT IS
- 25 SITUATED, PERSONALLY OR BY REGISTERED MAIL. IMMEDIATELY UPON
- 26 RECEIVING THE NOTICE, THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY SHALL PREPARE AND
- 27 FILE THE PLEADINGS, PETITIONS, NOTICES, OR ORDERS NECESSARY TO

- 1 BRING THE MATTER BEFORE THE OTHER COURT FOR HEARING AND
- 2 DISPOSITION, CONSISTENT WITH THE POWERS OF THAT COURT, AS MAY BE
- 3 FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD. PENDING ACTION BY THE OTHER
- 4 COURT IN REGARD TO THE MATTER, THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT WITH
- 5 WHICH THE PETITION IS FILED SHALL HAVE JURISDICTION TO MAKE A
- 6 TEMPORARY ORDER PERTAINING TO THE CHILD'S CARE OR CUSTODY, WHICH
- 7 MAY BE ADVISABLE OR NECESSARY FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE CHILD.
- 8 SEC. 9604. (1) IF, DURING THE PENDENCY OF A CRIMINAL CHARGE
- 9 AGAINST A PERSON IN ANY OTHER COURT, IT IS ASCERTAINED THAT THE
- 10 PERSON WAS LESS THAN 17 YEARS OF AGE AT THE TIME OF THE COMMIS-
- 11 SION OF THE OFFENSE, THE COURT HAVING GENERAL CRIMINAL JURISDIC-
- 12 TION SHALL TRANSFER THE CASE WITHOUT DELAY, TOGETHER WITH ALL THE
- 13 PAPERS, DOCUMENTS, AND TESTIMONY CONNECTED WITH THE CASE, TO THE
- 14 DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT FOR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE OTHER COURT
- 15 IS SITUATED OR IN WHICH THE PERSON RESIDES.
- 16 (2) THE COURT HAVING GENERAL CRIMINAL JURISDICTION AND
- 17 MAKING THE TRANSFER SHALL ORDER THE CHILD TO BE TAKEN IMMEDIATELY
- 18 TO THE PLACE OF DETENTION DESIGNATED BY THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS
- 19 COURT OR TO THAT COURT ITSELF, OR RELEASE THE CHILD IN THE CUS-
- 20 TODY OF SOME SUITABLE PERSON TO APPEAR BEFORE THE DOMESTIC RELA-
- 21 TIONS COURT AT A TIME DESIGNATED. THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT
- 22 SHALL PROCEED TO HEAR AND DISPOSE OF THE CASE IN THE SAME MANNER
- 23 AS IF THE CASE HAD BEEN INSTITUTED IN THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS
- 24 COURT IN THE FIRST INSTANCE.
- 25 SEC. 9605. WHEN AN ORDER AFFECTING THE WELFARE OF A CHILD
- 26 IS ENTERED UNDER THIS CHAPTER BY THE COURT IN A CASE IN WHICH THE
- 27 CHILD IS SUBJECT TO THE PRIOR OR CONTINUING ORDER OF ANY OTHER

- 1 COURT OF THIS STATE, A NOTICE SHALL BE FILED IN THE OTHER COURT
- 2 AND A COPY OF THE NOTICE SHALL BE SERVED PERSONALLY OR BY REGIS-
- 3 TERED MAIL UPON THE PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR PERSONS IN LOCO PAREN-
- 4 TIS AND UPON THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE
- 5 OTHER COURT IS LOCATED. THE NOTICES SHALL NOT DISCLOSE AN ALLE-
- 6 GATION OR FINDING OF FACT SET FORTH IN THE PETITION OR ORDER, NOR
- 7 THE ACTUAL PERSON OR INSTITUTION TO WHOM CUSTODY IS CHANGED. THE
- 8 FACTS MAY BE DISCLOSED DIRECTLY TO THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY AND
- 9 SHALL BE DISCLOSED ON REQUEST OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY OR BY
- 10 ORDER OF THE OTHER COURT, BUT SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS CONFIDENTIAL
- 11 INFORMATION, THE DISCLOSURE OF WHICH WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE SAME
- 12 REGULATIONS IN OTHER JUVENILE MATTERS.
- 13 SEC. 9606. (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN
- 14 SUBSECTION (2), IF THE COURT HAS EXERCISED JURISDICTION OVER A
- 15 CHILD UNDER SECTION 9602(2) OR (3), JURISDICTION SHALL CONTINUE
- 16 FOR A PERIOD OF 2 YEARS BEYOND THE MAXIMUM AGE OF JURISDICTION
- 17 CONFERRED UNDER THE APPLICABLE SUBDIVISIONS OF SECTION 9602,
- 18 UNLESS RELEASED SOONER BY ORDER OF THE COURT.
- 19 (2) IF THE COURT HAS EXERCISED JURISDICTION OVER A CHILD
- 20 UNDER SECTION 9602(2)(A) FOR AN OFFENSE WHICH, IF COMMITTED BY AN
- 21 ADULT, WOULD BE A VIOLATION OR ATTEMPTED VIOLATION OF SECTION 72,
- 22 83, 84, 88, 89, 91, 316, 317, 349, 520B, 520C, 520D, 520G, 529,
- 23 OR 530 OF THE MICHIGAN PENAL CODE, ACT NO. 328 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS
- 24 OF 1931, BEING SECTIONS 750.72, 750,83, 750.84, 750.88, 750.89,
- **25** 750.91, 750.316, 750.317, 750.349, 750.520B, 750.520C, 750.520D,
- 26 750.520G, 750.529, AND 750.530 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, OR
- 27 SECTION 7401(2)(A)(i) OR 7403(2)(A)(i) OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH CODE,

- 1 ACT NO. 368 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, BEING SECTIONS 333.7401
- 2 AND 333.7403 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, JURISDICTION MAY BE
- 3 CONTINUED UNTIL THE CHILD IS 21 YEARS OF AGE UNDER SECTION
- 4 9630B.
- 5 (3) AS USED IN THIS CHAPTER, "CHILD", "MINOR" OR ANY OTHER
- 6 TERM SIGNIFYING A PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF 18 SHALL BE CONSTRUED
- 7 TO APPLY TO A PERSON 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER CONCERNING WHOM
- 8 PROCEEDINGS ARE COMMENCED IN THE COURT PURSUANT TO SECTION 9602
- 9 AND OVER WHOM THE COURT HAS CONTINUING JURISDICTION PURSUANT TO
- 10 SUBSECTION (1).
- 11 SEC. 9607. (1) WHEN A CHILD IS ACCUSED OF AN ACT, THE
- 12 NATURE OF WHICH CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE
- 13 CODE, ACT NO. 300 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1949, BEING SECTIONS
- 14 257.1 TO 257.923 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, OR OF A PROVISION
- 15 OF AN ORDINANCE SUBSTANTIALLY CORRESPONDING TO ANY PROVISION OF
- 16 ACT NO. 300 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1949, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE
- 17 SHALL APPLY, ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CHAPTER
- 18 NOTWITHSTANDING:
- 19 (A) NO PETITION SHALL BE REQUIRED, BUT THE COURT MAY ACT
- 20 UPON A COPY OF THE WRITTEN CITATION TO APPEAR GIVEN THE ACCUSED
- 21 CHILD AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 728 OF THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE,
- 22 ACT NO. 300 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1949, BEING SECTION 257.728 OF
- 23 THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 24 (B) THE PARENT OR PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN OF THE
- 25 CHILD MAY BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND A HEARING CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE
- 26 WITH THIS SECTION WHEN NOTIFIED BY THE COURT, WITHOUT ADDITIONAL

- 1 SERVICE OF PROCESS OR DELAY; HOWEVER, THE COURT MAY EXTEND THE
- 2 TIME FOR SUCH APPEARANCE.
- 3 (C) IF, AFTER HEARING THE CASE, THE COURT FINDS THE ACCUSA-
- 4 TION TO BE TRUE, THE COURT MAY DISPOSE OF THE CASE IN ACCORDANCE
- 5 WITH SECTION 9629.
- 6 (D) WITHIN 14 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF A COURT ORDER OF DISPOSI-
- 7 TION FOR A CHILD FOUND TO BE WITHIN THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAP-
- 8 TER, THE COURT SHALL PREPARE AND FORWARD AN ABSTRACT OF THE
- 9 RECORD OF THE COURT FOR THE CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 732
- 10 OF THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE, ACT NO. 300 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF
- 11 1949, BEING SECTION 257.732 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 12 (E) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED AS LIMITING THE DIS-
- 13 CRETION OF THE COURT TO RESTRICT THE DRIVING PRIVILEGES OF A
- 14 CHILD AS A TERM OR CONDITION OF PROBATION.
- 15 (2) IF A CHILD IS ACCUSED OF AN ACT, THE NATURE OF WHICH
- 16 CONSTITUTES A CIVIL INFRACTION UNDER ACT NO. 300 OF THE PUBLIC
- 17 ACTS OF 1949, OR OF A PROVISION OF AN ORDINANCE SUBSTANTIALLY
- 18 CORRESPONDING TO A CIVIL INFRACTION UNDER ACT NO. 300 OF THE
- 19 PUBLIC ACTS OF 1949, SECTION 741 OF ACT NO. 300 OF THE PUBLIC
- 20 ACTS OF 1949, BEING SECTION 257.741 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED
- 21 LAWS, SHALL APPLY.
- 22 SEC. 9608. (1) IF A CHILD WHO HAS ATTAINED THE AGE OF 15
- 23 YEARS IS ACCUSED OF AN ACT WHICH, IF COMMITTED BY AN ADULT, WOULD
- 24 BE A FELONY, THE JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT OF THE
- 25 COUNTY WHERE THE OFFENSE IS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN COMMITTED MAY
- 26 WAIVE JURISDICTION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION UPON MOTION OF THE
- 27 PROSECUTING ATTORNEY. AFTER WAIVER, IT SHALL BE LAWFUL TO TRY

- 1 THE CHILD IN THE COURT HAVING GENERAL CRIMINAL JURISDICTION OF 2 THE OFFENSE.
- 3 (2) BEFORE CONDUCTING A HEARING ON THE MOTION TO WAIVE
- 4 JURISDICTION, THE COURT SHALL GIVE NOTICE OF THE HEARING IN THE
- 5 MANNER PROVIDED BY SUPREME COURT RULE TO THE CHILD AND THE PROSE-
- 6 CUTING ATTORNEY AND, IF ADDRESSES ARE KNOWN, TO THE CHILD'S PAR-
- 7 ENTS OR GUARDIANS. THE NOTICE SHALL STATE CLEARLY THAT A WAIVER
- 8 OF JURISDICTION TO A COURT OF GENERAL CRIMINAL JURISDICTION HAS
- 9 BEEN REQUESTED AND THAT, IF GRANTED, THE CHILD CAN BE PROSECUTED
- 10 FOR THE ALLEGED OFFENSE AS THOUGH HE OR SHE WERE AN ADULT.
- 11 (3) BEFORE THE COURT WAIVES JURISDICTION, THE COURT SHALL
- 12 DETERMINE ON THE RECORD IF THERE IS PROBABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE
- 13 THAT AN OFFENSE HAS BEEN COMMITTED WHICH IF COMMITTED BY AN ADULT
- 14 WOULD BE A FELONY AND IF THERE IS PROBABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE THAT
- 15 THE CHILD COMMITTED THE OFFENSE. BEFORE A CHILD MAY WAIVE A
- 16 PROBABLE CAUSE HEARING UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE COURT SHALL
- 17 INFORM THE CHILD THAT A WAIVER OF THIS SUBSECTION WAIVES THE PRE-
- 18 LIMINARY EXAMINATION REQUIRED BY CHAPTER VI OF THE CODE OF CRIMI-
- 19 NAL PROCEDURE, ACT NO. 175 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1927, BEING SEC-
- 20 TIONS 766.1 TO 766.22 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 21 (4) UPON A SHOWING OF PROBABLE CAUSE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
- 22 (3), THE COURT SHALL CONDUCT A HEARING TO DETERMINE IF THE BEST
- 23 INTERESTS OF THE CHILD AND THE PUBLIC WOULD BE SERVED BY GRANTING
- 24 A WAIVER OF JURISDICTION TO THE COURT OF GENERAL CRIMINAL
- 25 JURISDICTION. IN MAKING THE DETERMINATION, THE COURT SHALL CON-
- 26 SIDER THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA GIVING EACH WEIGHT AS APPROPRIATE TO
- 27 THE CIRCUMSTANCES:

- 1 (A) THE PRIOR RECORD AND CHARACTER OF THE CHILD, HIS OR HER
- 2 PHYSICAL AND MENTAL MATURITY, AND HIS OR HER PATTERN OF LIVING.
- 3 (B) THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE OFFENSE.
- 4 (C) WHETHER THE OFFENSE IS PART OF A REPETITIVE PATTERN OF
- 5 OFFENSES WHICH WOULD LEAD TO 1 OF THE FOLLOWING DETERMINATIONS:
- 6 (i) THE CHILD IS NOT AMENABLE TO TREATMENT.
- 7 (ii) THAT DESPITE THE CHILD'S POTENTIAL FOR TREATMENT, THE
- 8 NATURE OF THE CHILD'S DELINQUENT BEHAVIOR IS LIKELY TO DISRUPT
- 9 THE REHABILITATION OF OTHER CHILDREN IN THE TREATMENT PROGRAM.
- 10 (D) WHETHER, DESPITE THE CHILD'S POTENTIAL FOR TREATMENT,
- 11 THE NATURE OF THE CHILD'S DELINQUENT BEHAVIOR IS LIKELY TO RENDER
- 12 THE CHILD DANGEROUS TO THE PUBLIC IF RELEASED AT THE AGE OF 19 OR
- 13 21.
- 14 (E) WHETHER THE CHILD IS MORE LIKELY TO BE REHABILITATED BY
- 15 THE SERVICES AND FACILITIES AVAILABLE IN ADULT PROGRAMS AND PRO-
- 16 CEDURES THAN IN JUVENILE PROGRAMS AND PROCEDURES.
- 17 (F) WHETHER IT IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE PUBLIC WEL-
- 18 FARE AND THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC SECURITY THAT THE CHILD
- 19 STAND TRIAL AS AN ADULT OFFENDER.
- 20 (5) IF LEGAL COUNSEL HAS NOT BEEN RETAINED OR APPOINTED TO
- 21 REPRESENT THE CHILD, THE COURT SHALL ADVISE THE CHILD AND HIS OR
- 22 HER PARENTS, GUARDIAN, CUSTODIAN, OR GUARDIAN AD LITEM OF THE
- 23 CHILD'S RIGHT TO REPRESENTATION AND APPOINT LEGAL COUNSEL. IF
- 24 THE COURT APPOINTS LEGAL COUNSEL, THE JUDGE MAY ASSESS THE COST
- 25 OF PROVIDING LEGAL COUNSEL AS COSTS AGAINST THE CHILD OR THOSE
- 26 RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS OR HER SUPPORT, OR BOTH, IF THE PERSONS TO BE
- 27 ASSESSED ARE FINANCIALLY ABLE TO COMPLY.

- 1 (6) LEGAL COUNSEL SHALL HAVE ACCESS TO RECORDS OR REPORTS
- 2 PROVIDED AND RECEIVED BY THE JUDGE AS A BASIS FOR DECISION IN
- 3 PROCEEDINGS FOR WAIVER OF JURISDICTION. A CONTINUANCE SHALL BE
- 4 GRANTED AT LEGAL COUNSEL'S REQUEST IF ANY REPORT, INFORMATION OR
- 5 RECOMMENDATION, NOT PREVIOUSLY AVAILABLE, IS INTRODUCED OR DEVEL-
- 6 OPED AT THE HEARING AND THE INTERESTS OF JUSTICE REQUIRE A
- 7 CONTINUANCE.
- 8 (7) THE COURT SHALL ENTER A WRITTEN ORDER EITHER GRANTING OR
- 9 DENYING THE MOTION TO WAIVE JURISDICTION, AND THE COURT SHALL
- 10 STATE ON THE RECORD OR IN A WRITTEN OPINION THE COURT'S FINDINGS
- 11 OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FORMING THE BASIS FOR ENTRY OF THE
- 12 ORDER. IF JURISDICTION OVER A CHILD IS WAIVED, A TRANSCRIPT OF
- 13 THE COURT'S FINDINGS OR A COPY OF THE WRITTEN OPINION SHALL BE
- 14 SENT TO THE COURT OF GENERAL CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.
- 15 (8) IF THE COURT DOES NOT WAIVE JURISDICTION, A TRANSCRIPT
- 16 OF THE COURT'S FINDINGS OR, IF A WRITTEN OPINION IS PREPARED, A
- 17 COPY OF THE WRITTEN OPINION SHALL BE SENT TO THE PROSECUTOR,
- 18 CHILD, OR CHILD'S ATTORNEY UPON REQUEST.
- 19 (9) IF THE COURT WAIVES JURISDICTION, THE CHILD SHALL BE
- 20 ARRAIGNED ON AN INFORMATION FILED BY THE PROSECUTOR IN THE COURT
- 21 OF GENERAL CRIMINAL JURISDICTION. THE PROBABLE CAUSE FINDING
- 22 UNDER SUBSECTION (3) SHALL SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF AND BE
- 23 CONSIDERED THE EQUIVALENT OF THE PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REQUIRED
- 24 BY CHAPTER VI OF ACT NO. 175 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1927.
- 25 SEC. 9609. THE COURT SHALL NOT HAVE JURISDICTION OVER A
- 26 CHILD AFTER HE OR SHE BECOMES 18 YEARS OF AGE, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED
- 27 IN SECTION 9606. A COMMITMENT OF A CHILD TO A PRIVATE OR PUBLIC

- 1 INSTITUTION OR AGENCY SHALL NOT BE VALID AFTER THE CHILD HAS
- 2 REACHED THE AGE BEYOND WHICH THE COURT DOES NOT HAVE CONTINUING
- 3 JURISDICTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 9606. A COMMITMENT TO A PRIVATE
- 4 OR INCORPORATED INSTITUTION OR AGENCY SHALL NOT DIVEST THE COURT
- 5 OF JURISDICTION UNLESS THE CHILD IS ADOPTED IN A MANNER PROVIDED
- 6 BY LAW.
- 7 SEC. 9611. THE COURT MAY APPOINT A REGISTRAR OF THE COURT.
- 8 THE REGISTRAR SHALL PREPARE PETITIONS FOR INVESTIGATION, SUMMONS,
- 9 WRITS, AND OTHER PAPERS NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER THIS CHAPTER, AND
- 10 SHALL PERFORM CLERICAL DUTIES ASSIGNED BY THE COURT.
- 11 SEC. 9612. (1) THE OFFICE OF COUNTY AGENT IS CREATED. THE
- 12 COUNTY AGENT SHALL BE AN OFFICER OF THE COURT, UNDER THE GENERAL
- 13 SUPERVISION OF THE JUDGES OF THE COURT, AND SHALL SERVE AT THEIR
- 14 PLEASURE.
- 15 (2) THE COUNTY AGENT SHALL ORGANIZE, DIRECT, AND DEVELOP THE
- 16 CHILD WELFARE WORK OF THE COURT IF AUTHORIZED BY THE JUDGE. THE
- 17 COUNTY AGENT, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE COURT, SHALL MAKE INVESTI-
- 18 GATIONS AND REPORTS ON CHILDREN OR FAMILIES WITHIN THE COUNTY AS
- 19 MAY BE REQUESTED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES OR BY
- 20 THE SUPERINTENDENT OF A STATE INSTITUTION RELATIVE TO THE WELFARE
- 21 OF A CHILD. THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES SHALL ASSIST
- 22 IN THE WORK OF THE COUNTY AGENTS AND ASSISTANTS AS PROVIDED IN
- 23 SECTION 115D OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE ACT, ACT NO. 280 OF THE PUBLIC
- 24 ACTS OF 1939, BEING SECTION 400.115D OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED
- 25 LAWS. AN ASSISTANT COUNTY AGENT SHALL PERFORM DUTIES ASSIGNED TO
- 26 THE ASSISTANT BY THE COUNTY AGENT.

- 1 SEC. 9613. (1) THE COURT MAY APPOINT ANY SUITABLE PERSON OF
- 2 GOOD CHARACTER AND QUALIFIED TRAINING OR EXPERIENCE, OTHER THAN
- 3 THE COUNTY AGENT OR ASSISTANTS, TO ACT AS PROBATION OFFICER. A
- 4 PROBATION OFFICER SHALL RECEIVE COMPENSATION THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- 5 COMMISSIONERS APPROPRIATES FOR THAT PURPOSE. AT THE DISCRETION
- 6 OF THE JUDGE, A PROBATION OFFICER MAY PERFORM COUNTY AGENT
- 7 DUTIES.
- 8 (2) THE COURT MAY ALSO APPOINT OTHER PROBATION OFFICERS WHO
- 9 SHALL NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION FROM THE COUNTY TREASURY FOR THE
- 10 DUTIES PERFORMED.
- 11 (3) THE COURT SHALL NOTIFY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
- 12 SERVICES OF THE APPOINTMENT OF EACH PAID PROBATION OFFICER MADE
- 13 UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 14 (4) A PROBATION OFFICER SHALL HOLD OFFICE DURING THE PLEA-
- 15 SURE OF THE COURT AND SHALL REPORT TO THE COURT UPON ALL CASES
- 16 UNDER THE OFFICER'S CARE.
- 17 SEC. 9614. (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN
- 18 SUBSECTION (2), THE JUDGE OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT MAY
- 19 DESIGNATE A PROBATION OFFICER OR COUNTY AGENT TO ACT AS REFEREE
- 20 IN TAKING THE TESTIMONY OF WITNESSES AND HEARING THE STATEMENTS
- 21 OF PARTIES UPON THE HEARING OF PETITIONS ALLEGING THAT A CHILD IS
- 22 WITHIN THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER, IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION
- 23 BY PARTIES IN INTEREST. THE PROBATION OFFICER OR COUNTY AGENT
- 24 DESIGNATED TO ACT AS REFEREE SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 25 (A) TAKE AND SUBSCRIBE THE OATH OF OFFICE PROVIDED BY THE
- 26 CONSTITUTION.

- 1 (B) ADMINISTER OATHS AND EXAMINE WITNESSES.
- 2 (C) IF A CASE REQUIRES A HEARING AND THE TAKING OF
- 3 TESTIMONY, MAKE A WRITTEN SIGNED REPORT TO THE JUDGE OF PROBATE
- 4 CONTAINING A SUMMARY OF THE TESTIMONY TAKEN AND A RECOMMENDATION
- 5 FOR THE COURT'S FINDINGS AND DISPOSITION.
- 6 (2) IF A CHILD IS BEFORE THE COURT UNDER SECTION 9602(2)(A),
- 7 A PROBATION OFFICER OR COUNTY AGENT WHO IS NOT LICENSED TO PRAC-
- 8 TICE LAW IN THIS STATE SHALL NOT BE DESIGNATED TO ACT AS A REF-
- 9 EREE IN ANY HEARING FOR THE CHILD, EXCEPT THE PRELIMINARY INOUIRY
- 10 OR PRELIMINARY HEARING. THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A PRO-
- 11 BATION OFFICER OR COUNTY AGENT WHO HAS BEEN DESIGNATED TO ACT AS
- 12 A REFEREE BY THE PROBATE JUDGE BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1988 AND WHO IS
- 13 ACTING AS A REFEREE AS OF JANUARY 1, 1988.
- 14 SEC. 9621. (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), IF A
- 15 PERSON GIVES INFORMATION TO THE COURT THAT A CHILD IS WITHIN SEC-
- 16 TION 9602(2) TO (6), A PRELIMINARY INQUIRY MAY BE MADE TO DETER-
- 17 MINE WHETHER THE INTERESTS OF THE PUBLIC OR OF THE CHILD REQUIRE
- 18 THAT FURTHER ACTION BE TAKEN. IF IT APPEARS THAT FORMAL JURIS-
- 19 DICTION SHOULD BE ACQUIRED, THE COURT SHALL AUTHORIZE A PETITION
- 20 TO BE FILED.
- 21 (2) ONLY THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY MAY FILE A PETITION
- 22 REQUESTING THE COURT TO TAKE JURISDICTION OF A CHILD ALLEGEDLY
- 23 WITHIN SECTION 9602(2)(A). IF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY SUBMITS A
- 24 PETITION REQUESTING THE COURT TO TAKE JURISDICTION OF A CHILD
- 25 ALLEGEDLY WITHIN SECTION 9602(2)(A) AND IT APPEARS THAT FORMAL
- 26 JURISDICTION SHOULD BE ACQUIRED, THE COURT SHALL AUTHORIZE A
- 27 PETITION TO BE FILED.

- 1 (3) THE PETITION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTIONS (1) AND (2) SHALL
- 2 BE VERIFIED AND MAY BE UPON INFORMATION AND BELIEF. THE PETITION
- 3 SHALL SET FORTH PLAINLY THE FACTS THAT BRING THE CHILD WITHIN
- 4 THIS CHAPTER AND SHALL CONTAIN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
- 5 (A) THE NAME, BIRTH DATE, AND ADDRESS OF THE CHILD.
- 6 (B) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE CHILD'S PARENTS.
- 7 (C) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE CHILD'S LEGAL GUARDIAN, IF
- 8 THERE IS ONE.
- 9 (D) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF EACH PERSON HAVING CUSTODY OR
- 10 CONTROL OF THE CHILD.
- 11 (E) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE CHILD'S NEAREST KNOWN RELA-
- 12 TIVE, IF NO PARENT OR GUARDIAN CAN BE FOUND.
- 13 (4) IF ANY OF THE FACTS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (3) ARE NOT
- 14 KNOWN TO THE PETITIONER, THE PETITION SHALL SO STATE. IF THE
- 15 CHILD ATTAINS HIS OR HER SEVENTEENTH BIRTHDAY AFTER THE FILING OF
- 16 THE PETITION, THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT SHALL CONTINUE BEYOND
- 17 THE CHILD'S SEVENTEENTH BIRTHDAY, AND THE COURT SHALL HAVE
- 18 AUTHORITY TO HEAR AND DISPOSE OF THE PETITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH
- 19 THIS CHAPTER.
- 20 (5) AT THE TIME A PETITION IS AUTHORIZED, THE COURT SHALL
- 21 EXAMINE THE COURT FILE TO DETERMINE IF A CHILD HAS HAD FINGER-
- 22 PRINTS TAKEN AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 3 OF ACT NO. 289 OF THE
- 23 PUBLIC ACTS OF 1925, BEING SECTION 28.243 OF THE MICHIGAN
- 24 COMPILED LAWS. IF A CHILD HAS NOT HAD HIS OR HER FINGERPRINTS
- 25 TAKEN, THE COURT SHALL DO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 1 (A) ORDER THE CHILD TO SUBMIT HIMSELF OR HERSELF TO THE
- 2 POLICE AGENCY THAT ARRESTED OR OBTAINED THE WARRANT FOR THE
- 3 ARREST OF THE CHILD SO THE CHILD'S FINGERPRINTS CAN BE TAKEN.
- 4 (B) ORDER THE CHILD COMMITTED TO THE CUSTODY OF THE SHERIFF
- 5 FOR THE TAKING OF THE CHILD'S FINGERPRINTS.
- 6 (6) A PETITION OR OTHER COURT RECORD MAY BE AMENDED AT ANY
- 7 STAGE OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AS THE ENDS OF JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE.
- 8 (7) IF THE JUVENILE DIVERSION ACT, ACT NO. 13 OF THE PUBLIC
- 9 ACTS OF 1988, BEING SECTIONS 722.821 TO 722.831 OF THE MICHIGAN
- 10 COMPILED LAWS, IS COMPLIED WITH AND IT APPEARS THAT COURT SERV-
- 11 ICES CAN BE USED IN THE PREVENTION OF DELINQUENCY WITHOUT FORMAL
- 12 JURISDICTION, THE COURT MAY OFFER COURT SERVICES TO CHILDREN, AS
- 13 PROVIDED IN SECTION 9602(8), WITHOUT A PETITION BEING
- 14 AUTHORIZED.
- 15 SEC. 9622. (1) AFTER A PETITION IS FILED AND AFTER FURTHER
- 16 INVESTIGATION AS DIRECTED BY THE COURT, IN THE COURSE OF WHICH
- 17 THE COURT MAY ORDER THE CHILD TO BE EXAMINED BY A PHYSICIAN, DEN-
- 18 TIST, PSYCHOLOGIST, OR PSYCHIATRIST, THE COURT MAY DISMISS THE
- 19 PETITION OR MAY ISSUE A SUMMONS RECITING BRIEFLY THE SUBSTANCE OF
- 20 THE PETITION, AND REQUIRING THE PERSON WHO HAS THE CUSTODY OR
- 21 CONTROL OF THE CHILD, OR WITH WHOM THE CHILD MAY BE, TO APPEAR
- 22 PERSONALLY AND BRING THE CHILD BEFORE THE COURT AT A TIME AND
- 23 PLACE STATED. THE COURT MAY EXCUSE, BUT NOT RESTRICT, A CHILD
- 24 FROM ATTENDING THE HEARING. IF THE PERSON SUMMONED IS OTHER THAN
- 25 THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF THE CHILD, THE PARENTS OR GUARDIAN, OR
- 26 BOTH, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 9623, SHALL ALSO BE NOTIFIED,
- 27 BY PERSONAL SERVICE BEFORE THE HEARING, OF THE PETITION AND OF

- 1 THE TIME AND PLACE APPOINTED FOR THE HEARING. SUMMONS MAY BE
- 2 ISSUED REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON WHOSE PRESENCE, IN
- 3 THE OPINION OF THE COURT, IS NECESSARY.
- 4 (2) AN INTERESTED PARTY WHO VOLUNTARILY APPEARS IN THE PRO-
- 5 CEEDINGS, BY WRITING, MAY WAIVE SERVICE OF PROCESS OR NOTICE OF
- 6 HEARING.
- 7 SEC. 9623. (1) SERVICE OF SUMMONS MAY BE MADE ANYWHERE IN
- 8 THE STATE PERSONALLY BY THE DELIVERY OF TRUE COPIES OF THE SUM-
- 9 MONS TO THE PERSONS SUMMONED. IF THE COURT IS SATISFIED THAT IT
- 10 IS IMPRACTICABLE TO SERVE PERSONALLY THE SUMMONS OR THE NOTICE
- 11 PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 9622 THE COURT MAY ORDER SERVICE BY REG-
- 12 ISTERED MAIL ADDRESSED TO THEIR LAST KNOWN ADDRESSES, OR BY PUB-
- 13 LICATION, OR BOTH. JURISDICTION IS CONFERRED IF PERSONAL SERVICE
- 14 IS EFFECTED NOT LESS THAN 72 HOURS BEFORE THE DATE OF HEARING;
- 15 REGISTERED MAIL IS MAILED NOT LESS THAN 5 DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF
- 16 HEARING IF WITHIN THE STATE OR 14 DAYS IF OUTSIDE THE STATE; OR
- 17 PUBLICATION IS MADE ONCE IN A NEWSPAPER PRINTED AND CIRCULATED IN
- 18 THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE COURT IS LOCATED AT LEAST 1 WEEK BEFORE
- 19 THE TIME FIXED IN THE SUMMONS OR NOTICE FOR THE HEARING.
- 20 (2) SERVICE OF A SUMMONS, NOTICE, OR ORDER REQUIRED BY THIS
- 21 CHAPTER MAY BE MADE BY A PEACE OFFICER OR BY ANY OTHER SUITABLE
- 22 PERSON DESIGNATED BY THE COURT. THE COURT MAY AUTHORIZE THE PAY-
- 23 MENT OF NECESSARY TRAVELING EXPENSES INCURRED BY A PERSON SUM-
- 24 MONED OR OTHERWISE REQUIRED TO APPEAR AT THE TIME OF HEARING OF A
- 25 CASE COMING WITHIN THIS CHAPTER. THE EXPENSES AND THE EXPENSES
- 26 OF MAKING SERVICE, IF APPROVED BY THE COURT, SHALL BE PAID BY THE
- 27 COUNTY TREASURER FROM THE GENERAL FUND OF THE COUNTY.

- 1 (3) IF A PERSON SUMMONED, AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, FAILS
- 2 WITHOUT REASONABLE CAUSE TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COURT, THAT PERSON
- 3 MAY BE PROCEEDED AGAINST FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT AND PUNISHED
- 4 ACCORDINGLY.
- 5 SEC. 9623A. (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION AND SECTIONS 9630D,
- 6 9631, 9632, 9632A, AND 9632B:
- 7 (A) "AGENCY" MEANS A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ORGANIZATION, INSTI-
- 8 TUTION, OR FACILITY RESPONSIBLE PURSUANT TO COURT ORDER OR CON-
- 9 TRACTUAL ARRANGEMENT FOR THE CARE AND SUPERVISION OF A CHILD.
- 10 (B) "FOSTER CARE" MEANS CARE PROVIDED TO A CHILD IN A FOSTER
- 11 FAMILY HOME, FOSTER FAMILY GROUP HOME, OR CHILD CARING INSTITU-
- 12 TION LICENSED OR APPROVED UNDER ACT NO. 116 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF
- 13 1973, BEING SECTIONS 722.111 TO 722.128 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED
- 14 LAWS, OR CARE PROVIDED TO A CHILD IN A RELATIVE'S HOME PURSUANT
- 15 TO AN ORDER BY THE COURT.
- 16 (2) IF A CHILD IS ALLEGED TO HAVE COME WITHIN THE PROVISIONS
- 17 OF SECTION 9602(2), THE COURT MAY AUTHORIZE A PETITION TO BE
- 18 FILED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE PRELIMINARY HEARING OR INQUIRY.
- 19 THE PETITION MAY BE AUTHORIZED UPON A SHOWING OF PROBABLE CAUSE
- 20 THAT 1 OR MORE OF THE ALLEGATIONS IN THE PETITION ARE TRUE AND
- 21 FALL WITHIN THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 9602(2).
- 22 (3) IF A PETITION UNDER SUBSECTION (2) IS AUTHORIZED, THE
- 23 COURT MAY RELEASE THE CHILD IN THE CUSTODY OF EITHER OF THE
- 24 CHILD'S PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN UNDER SUCH REASONABLE
- 25 TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS ARE NECESSARY FOR EITHER THE PHYSICAL
- 26 HEALTH OR MENTAL WELL-BEING OF THE CHILD.

- 1 (4) IF A PETITION UNDER SUBSECTION (2) IS AUTHORIZED, THE
- 2 COURT MAY ORDER PLACEMENT OF THE CHILD WITH SOMEONE OTHER THAN A
- 3 PARENT IF THE COURT AFTER HEARING DETERMINES THAT BOTH OF THE
- 4 FOLLOWING CONDITIONS EXIST:
- 5 (A) CUSTODY OF THE CHILD WITH A PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTO-
- 6 DIAN PRESENTS A SUBSTANTIAL RISK OF HARM TO THE CHILD'S LIFE,
- 7 PHYSICAL HEALTH, OR MENTAL WELL-BEING AND NO PROVISION OF SERVICE
- 8 OR OTHER ARRANGEMENT EXCEPT REMOVAL OF THE CHILD IS REASONABLY.
- 9 AVAILABLE TO ADEQUATELY SAFEGUARD THE CHILD FROM SUCH RISK.
- 10 (B) CONDITIONS OF CUSTODY OF THE CHILD AWAY FROM A PARENT,
- 11 GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN ARE ADEQUATE TO SAFEGUARD THE CHILD'S
- 12 HEALTH AND WELFARE.
- 13 (5) IF THE COURT ORDERS PLACEMENT OF THE CHILD OUTSIDE THE
- 14 CHILD'S HOME, THE COURT SHALL INFORM THE PARTIES OF ALL OF THE
- 15 FOLLOWING:
- 16 (A) THAT THE AGENCY HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY TO PREPARE AN
- 17 INITIAL SERVICES PLAN WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE CHILD'S PLACEMENT.
- 18 (B) THE GENERAL ELEMENTS OF AN INITIAL SERVICES PLAN AS
- 19 REQUIRED BY THE RULES PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO ACT NO. 116 OF THE
- 20 PUBLIC ACTS OF 1973, BEING SECTIONS 722.111 TO 722.128 OF THE
- 21 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 22 (C) THAT WITHOUT A COURT ORDER PARTICIPATION IN AN INITIAL
- 23 SERVICES PLAN IS VOLUNTARY.
- 24 (6) IN DETERMINING PLACEMENT OF A CHILD PENDING TRIAL, THE
- 25 COURT SHALL ORDER THE CHILD PLACED IN THE MOST FAMILY-LIKE SET-
- 26 TING AVAILABLE CONSISTENT WITH THE NEEDS OF THE CHILD.

- 1 (7) UNLESS VISITATION, EVEN IF SUPERVISED, WOULD BE HARMFUL
- 2 TO THE CHILD, THE CHILD'S PARENT SHALL BE PERMITTED TO VISIT
- 3 FREQUENTLY WITH THE CHILD.
- 4 (8) UPON THE MOTION OF ANY PARTY, THE COURT SHALL REVIEW
- 5 CUSTODY AND PLACEMENT ORDERS AND INITIAL SERVICES PLANS PENDING
- 6 TRIAL AND MAY MODIFY THOSE ORDERS AND PLANS AS THE COURT CONSID-
- 7 ERS PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION ARE IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE
- 8 CHILD.
- 9 SEC. 9624. (1) ANY LOCAL POLICE OFFICER, SHERIFF OR DEPUTY
- 10 SHERIFF, STATE POLICE OFFICER, COUNTY AGENT OR PROBATION OFFICER
- 11 OF ANY COURT OF RECORD MAY, WITHOUT THE ORDER OF THE COURT, IMME-
- 12 DIATELY TAKE INTO CUSTODY ANY CHILD WHO IS FOUND VIOLATING ANY
- 13 LAW OR ORDINANCE, OR WHOSE SURROUNDINGS ARE SUCH AS TO ENDANGER
- 14 HIS OR HER HEALTH, MORALS, OR WELFARE. IF THE OFFICER OR COUNTY
- 15 AGENT TAKES A CHILD COMING WITHIN THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER
- 16 INTO CUSTODY, HE OR SHE SHALL IMMEDIATELY ATTEMPT TO NOTIFY THE
- 17 PARENT OR PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN. WHILE AWAITING THE
- 18 ARRIVAL OF THE PARENT OR PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, A CHILD
- 19 UNDER THE AGE OF 17 YEARS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY UNDER THE PROVISIONS
- 20 OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL NOT BE HELD IN ANY DETENTION FACILITY
- 21 UNLESS THE CHILD IS COMPLETELY ISOLATED SO AS TO PREVENT ANY
- 22 VERBAL, VISUAL, OR PHYSICAL CONTACT WITH ANY ADULT PRISONER.
- 23 UNLESS THE CHILD REQUIRES IMMEDIATE DETENTION AS PROVIDED FOR IN
- 24 THIS ACT, THE OFFICER SHALL ACCEPT THE WRITTEN PROMISE OF THE
- 25 PARENT OR PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, TO BRING THE CHILD TO
- 26 THE COURT AT A TIME FIXED THEREIN. THE CHILD SHALL THEN BE

- 1 RELEASED TO THE CUSTODY OF THE PARENT OR PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR
- 2 CUSTODIAN.
- 3 (2) IF A CHILD IS NOT RELEASED UNDER SUBSECTION (1), THE
- 4 CHILD AND HIS OR HER PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, IF THEY CAN
- 5 BE LOCATED, SHALL IMMEDIATELY BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE COURT FOR A
- 6 PRELIMINARY HEARING ON THE STATUS OF THE CHILD, AND AN ORDER
- 7 SIGNED BY A JUDGE OF PROBATE OR A REFEREE AUTHORIZING THE FILING
- 8 OF A COMPLAINT SHALL BE ENTERED OR THE CHILD SHALL BE RELEASED TO
- 9 HIS OR HER PARENT OR PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN.
- 10 (3) IF A COMPLAINT IS AUTHORIZED UNDER SUBSECTION (2), THE
- 11 ORDER SHALL STATE WHERE THE CHILD IS TO BE PLACED, PENDING INVES-
- 12 TIGATION AND HEARING, WHICH PLACEMENT MAY BE IN ANY OF THE
- 13 FOLLOWING:
- 14 (A) IN THE HOME OF THE CHILD'S PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR
- 15 CUSTODIAN.
- 16 (B) IF A CHILD IS WITHIN THE COURT'S JURISDICTION UNDER SEC-
- 17 TION 9602(2), IN A SUITABLE FOSTER CARE HOME SUBJECT TO THE
- 18 COURT'S SUPERVISION. IF A CHILD IS WITHIN THE COURT'S JURISDIC-
- 19 TION UNDER SECTION 9602(3), THE COURT SHALL NOT PLACE A CHILD IN
- 20 A FOSTER CARE HOME SUBJECT TO THE COURT'S SUPERVISION.
- 21 (C) IN A CHILD CARE INSTITUTION OR CHILD PLACING AGENCY
- 22 LICENSED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO RECEIVE
- 23 FOR CARE CHILDREN WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT.
- 24 (D) IN A SUITABLE PLACE OF DETENTION.
- 25 SEC. 9625. (1) IN THE CASE OF A CHILD CONCERNING WHOM A
- 26 COMPLAINT HAS BEEN MADE OR A PETITION OR SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION OR
- 27 PETITION FOR REVOCATION OF PROBATION HAS BEEN FILED PURSUANT TO

- 1 THIS CHAPTER, THE COURT MAY ORDER THE CHILD, PENDING THE HEARING,
- 2 DETAINED IN A FACILITY AS THE COURT SHALL DESIGNATE. THE COURT
- 3 MAY RELEASE THE CHILD, PENDING THE HEARING, IN THE CUSTODY OF A
- 4 PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, TO BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE COURT AT
- 5 THE TIME DESIGNATED.
- 6 (2) CUSTODY, PENDING HEARING, IS LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING
- 7 CHILDREN:
- 8 (A) THOSE WHOSE HOME CONDITIONS MAKE IMMEDIATE REMOVAL
- 9 NECESSARY.
- 10 (B) THOSE WHO HAVE A RECORD OF UNEXCUSED FAILURES TO APPEAR
- 11 AT JUVENILE COURT PROCEEDINGS.
- 12 (C) THOSE WHO HAVE RUN AWAY FROM HOME.
- 13 (D) THOSE WHO HAVE FAILED TO REMAIN IN A DETENTION OR NONSE-
- 14 CURE FACILITY OR PLACEMENT IN VIOLATION OF A COURT ORDER.
- 15 (E) THOSE WHOSE OFFENSES ARE SO SERIOUS THAT RELEASE WOULD
- 16 ENDANGER PUBLIC SAFETY.
- 17 (3) A CHILD TAKEN INTO CUSTODY PURSUANT TO SECTION
- 18 9602(2)(B) TO (D) OR SUBSECTION (2)(C), WHO IS NOT UNDER THE
- 19 JURISDICTION OF THE COURT PURSUANT TO SECTION 9602(2)(A), SHALL
- 20 NOT BE DETAINED IN ANY SECURE FACILITY DESIGNED TO PHYSICALLY
- 21 RESTRICT THE MOVEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES OF ALLEGED OR ADJUDICATED
- 22 JUVENILE OFFENDERS UNLESS THE COURT FINDS THAT THE CHILD WILL-
- 23 FULLY VIOLATED A COURT ORDER AND THE COURT FINDS, AFTER A HEARING
- 24 AND ON THE RECORD, THAT THERE IS NOT A LESS RESTRICTIVE ALTERNA-
- 25 TIVE MORE APPROPRIATE TO THE NEEDS OF THE CHILD.
- 26 (4) A CHILD TAKEN INTO CUSTODY PURSUANT TO SECTION 9602(3)
- 27 OR SUBSECTION (2)(A) SHALL NOT BE DETAINED IN ANY SECURE FACILITY

- 1 DESIGNED TO PHYSICALLY RESTRICT THE MOVEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES OF
- 2 ALLEGED OR ADJUDICATED JUVENILE OFFENDERS OR IN A CELL OR OTHER
- 3 SECURE AREA OF ANY SECURE FACILITY DESIGNED TO INCARCERATE
- 4 ADULTS.
- 5 (5) A CHILD TAKEN INTO CUSTODY PURSUANT TO SECTION
- 6 9602(2)(B) TO (D) OR SUBSECTION (2)(C) WHO IS NOT UNDER THE
- 7 JURISDICTION OF THE COURT PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION
- 8 9602(2)(A) FOR AN OFFENSE WHICH, IF COMMITTED BY AN ADULT, WOULD
- 9 BE A FELONY SHALL NOT BE DETAINED IN A CELL OR OTHER SECURE AREA
- 10 OF ANY SECURE FACILITY DESIGNED TO INCARCERATE ADULTS.
- 11 SEC. 9626. (1) IF A CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF 17 YEARS IS
- 12 TAKEN INTO CUSTODY OR DETAINED, THE CHILD SHALL NOT BE CONFINED
- 13 IN ANY POLICE STATION, PRISON, JAIL, LOCK-UP, OR REFORMATORY, OR
- 14 BE TRANSPORTED WITH, OR COMPELLED OR PERMITTED TO ASSOCIATE OR
- 15 MINGLE WITH, CRIMINAL OR DISSOLUTE PERSONS. HOWEVER, EXCEPT AS
- 16 OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION 9625(3), (4), AND (5), A CHILD 15
- 17 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER WHOSE HABITS OR CONDUCT ARE CONSIDERED A
- 18 MENACE TO OTHER CHILDREN, OR WHO MAY NOT OTHERWISE BE SAFELY
- 19 DETAINED, MAY, ON ORDER OF THE COURT, BE PLACED IN A JAIL OR
- 20 OTHER PLACE OF DETENTION FOR ADULTS, BUT IN A ROOM OR WARD SEPA-
- 21 RATE FROM ADULTS, AND FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED 30 DAYS, UNLESS
- 22 LONGER DETENTION IS NECESSARY FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS.
- 23 (2) THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN EACH COUNTY OR
- 24 COUNTIES MAY CONTRACT TOGETHER FOR THE DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT,
- 25 CARE, TRAINING, AND DETENTION OF CHILDREN IN A CHILD CARE HOME TO
- 26 BE CONDUCTED AS AN AGENCY OF THE COURT OR COUNTY IF THE HOME OR
- 27 FACILITY-MEETS LICENSING STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE

- 1 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES. THE COURT OR A COURT APPROVED
- 2 AGENCY MAY ARRANGE FOR THE BOARDING OF CHILDREN BY ANY OF THE
- 3 FOLLOWING:
- 4 (A) IF A CHILD IS WITHIN THE COURT'S JURISDICTION UNDER SEC-
- 5 TION 9602(2), IN A SUITABLE FOSTER CARE HOME SUBJECT TO THE
- 6 COURT'S SUPERVISION. IF A CHILD IS WITHIN THE COURT'S JURISDIC-
- 7 TION UNDER SECTION 9602(3), THE COURT SHALL NOT PLACE A CHILD IN
- 8 A FOSTER CARE HOME SUBJECT TO THE COURT'S SUPERVISION.
- 9 (B) IN A CHILD CARE INSTITUTION OR CHILD PLACING AGENCY
- 10 LICENSED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO RECEIVE
- 11 FOR CARE CHILDREN WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT.
- 12 (C) IF IN A ROOM OR WARD, SEPARATE AND APART FROM ADULT
- 13 CRIMINALS, IN THE COUNTY JAIL IN CASES OF CHILDREN OVER 17 YEARS
- 14 OF AGE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT.
- 15 (3) IF A DETENTION HOME IS ESTABLISHED AS AN AGENCY OF THE
- 16 COURT, THE JUDGE MAY APPOINT A SUPERINTENDENT OR MATRON AND OTHER
- 17 NECESSARY EMPLOYEES FOR THE HOME WHO SHALL RECEIVE COMPENSATION
- 18 AS SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
- 19 COUNTY. THIS SECTION DOES NOT ALTER OR DIMINISH THE LEGAL
- 20 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO
- 21 RECEIVE JUVENILES COMMITTED BY THE COURTS.
- 22 (4) IF THE COURT UNDER SUBSECTION (2) ARRANGES FOR THE BOARD
- 23 OF CHILDREN TEMPORARILY DETAINED IN PRIVATE HOMES OR IN A CHILD
- 24 CARE INSTITUTION OR CHILD PLACING AGENCY, A REASONABLE SUM, TO BE
- 25 FIXED BY THE COURT, FOR THE BOARD OF THE CHILDREN SHALL BE PAID
- 26 BY THE COUNTY TREASURER OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND OF THE COUNTY.

- 1 SEC. 9627. (1) THE COURT MAY CONDUCT HEARINGS IN AN
- 2 INFORMAL MANNER AND MAY ADJOURN THE HEARING FROM TIME TO TIME.
- 3 STENOGRAPHIC NOTES OR OTHER TRANSCRIPT OF THE HEARING SHALL BE
- 4 TAKEN.
- 5 (2) IN ALL HEARINGS UNDER THIS CHAPTER, ANY PERSON INTER-
- 6 ESTED IN THE HEARING MAY DEMAND A JURY OF 6 OR THE JUDGE OF THE
- 7 COURT ON HIS OR HER OWN MOTION MAY ORDER A JURY OF 6 TO TRY THE
- 8 CASE. THE JURY SHALL BE SUMMONED AND IMPANELED IN ACCORDANCE
- 9 WITH CHAPTER 13 OF THE REVISED JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961, ACT
- 10 NO. 236 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1961, BEING SECTIONS 600.1300 TO
- 11 600.1376 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 12 (3) A PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR OTHER CUSTODIAN OF A CHILD HELD
- 13 UNDER THIS CHAPTER HAS THE RIGHT TO GIVE BOND OR OTHER SECURITY
- 14 FOR THE APPEARANCE OF THE CHILD AT THE HEARING OF THE CASE.
- 15 (4) THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY SHALL APPEAR FOR THE PEOPLE
- 16 WHEN REQUESTED BY THE COURT, AND IN A PROCEEDING UNDER SECTION
- 17 9602(2)(A), THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY SHALL APPEAR IF THE PROCEED-
- 18 ING REQUIRES A HEARING AND THE TAKING OF TESTIMONY.
- 19 (5) IN A PROCEEDING UNDER SECTION 9602(3), UPON REQUEST OF
- 20 THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES OR AN AGENT OF THE DEPARTMENT
- 21 UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE DEPARTMENT, THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
- 22 SHALL SERVE AS A LEGAL CONSULTANT TO THE DEPARTMENT OR THE
- 23 DEPARTMENT'S AGENT AT ALL STAGES OF THE PROCEEDING. IF IN A PRO-
- 24 CEEDING UNDER SECTION 9602(3) THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY DOES NOT
- 25 APPEAR ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OR THE DEPARTMENT'S AGENT, THE
- 26 DEPARTMENT MAY CONTRACT WITH AN ATTORNEY OF ITS CHOICE FOR LEGAL
- 27 REPRESENTATION.

- 1 (6) UPON MOTION OF ANY PARTY OR VICTIM, IN A CASE BROUGHT
- 2 PURSUANT TO THIS CHAPTER, THE COURT MAY CLOSE THE HEARING TO MEM-
- 3 BERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC DURING THE TESTIMONY OF A CHILD WIT-
- 4 NESS OR VICTIM IF THE COURT FINDS THAT CLOSING THE HEARING IS
- 5 NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE WELFARE OF THE CHILD WITNESS OR VICTIM.
- 6 IN DETERMINING WHETHER CLOSING THE HEARING IS NECESSARY TO PRO-
- 7 TECT THE WELFARE OF THE CHILD WITNESS OR VICTIM, THE COURT SHALL
- 8 CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:
- 9 (A) THE AGE OF THE CHILD WITNESS OR VICTIM.
- 10 (B) THE PSYCHOLOGICAL MATURITY OF THE CHILD WITNESS OR
- 11 VICTIM.
- 12 (C) THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING.
- 13 (D) THE DESIRE OF THE CHILD WITNESS OR HIS OR HER FAMILY OR
- 14 GUARDIAN OR THE DESIRE OF THE VICTIM TO HAVE THE TESTIMONY TAKEN
- 15 IN A ROOM CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.
- 16 (7) AS USED IN SUBSECTION (6), "CHILD WITNESS" DOES NOT
- 17 INCLUDE A CHILD AGAINST WHOM A PROCEEDING IS BROUGHT UNDER SEC-
- 18 TION 9602(2)(A).
- 19 SEC. 9628. IN A CASE IN WHICH A RECORD OF A HEARING IS KEPT
- 20 BY A RECORDING DEVICE, A TRANSCRIPTION NEED NOT BE MADE OF THE
- 21 HEARING IN THE ABSENCE OF A REQUEST BY AN INTERESTED PARTY. THE
- 22 RECORDING OF THE HEARING SHALL BE STORED BY THE COURT AS A PER-
- 23 MANENT RECORD OF THE HEARING.
- SEC. 9629. (1) IF THE COURT FINDS THAT A CHILD CONCERNING
- 25 WHOM A PETITION HAS BEEN FILED IS NOT WITHIN THIS CHAPTER, THE
- 26 COURT SHALL ENTER AN ORDER DISMISSING THE PETITION. EXCEPT AS
- 27 OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (15), IF THE COURT FINDS THAT A

- 1 CHILD IS WITHIN THIS CHAPTER, THE COURT MAY ENTER ANY OF THE
- 2 FOLLOWING ORDERS OF DISPOSITION WHICH IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE WEL-
- 3 FARE OF THE CHILD AND SOCIETY IN VIEW OF THE FACTS PROVEN AND
- 4 ASCERTAINED:
- 5 (A) WARN THE CHILD OR THE CHILD'S PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR CUS-
- 6 TODIAN AND DISMISS THE PETITION.
- 7 (B) PLACE THE CHILD ON PROBATION, OR UNDER SUPERVISION IN
- 8 THE CHILD'S OWN HOME OR IN THE HOME OF AN ADULT WHO IS RELATED TO
- 9 THE CHILD. AS USED IN THIS SUBDIVISION "RELATED" MEANS ANY OF
- 10 THE FOLLOWING RELATIONSHIPS, BY MARRIAGE, BLOOD, OR ADOPTION:
- 11 PARENT, GRANDPARENT, BROTHER, SISTER, STEPPARENT, STEPSISTER,
- 12 STEPBROTHER, UNCLE, OR AUNT. THE PROBATION OR SUPERVISION SHALL
- 13 BE UPON SUCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS, INCLUDING REASONABLE RULES FOR
- 14 THE CONDUCT OF THE PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, IF ANY,
- 15 DESIGNED FOR THE PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR MORAL WELL-BEING AND BEHAV-
- 16 IOR OF THE CHILD, AS THE COURT DETERMINES.
- 17 (C) IF A CHILD IS WITHIN THE COURT'S JURISDICTION UNDER SEC-
- 18 TION 9602(2)(A), PLACE THE CHILD IN A SUITABLE FOSTER CARE HOME
- 19 SUBJECT TO THE COURT'S SUPERVISION. IF A CHILD IS WITHIN THE
- 20 COURT'S JURISDICTION UNDER SECTION 9602(3), THE COURT SHALL NOT
- 21 PLACE A CHILD IN A FOSTER CARE HOME SUBJECT TO THE COURT'S
- 22 SUPERVISION.
- 23 (D) PLACE THE CHILD IN OR COMMIT THE CHILD TO A PRIVATE
- 24 INSTITUTION OR AGENCY APPROVED OR LICENSED BY THE STATE DEPART-
- 25 MENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE CARE OF CHILDREN OF SIMILAR AGE,
- 26 SEX, AND CHARACTERISTICS.

- 1 (E) COMMIT THE CHILD TO A PUBLIC INSTITUTION, COUNTY
- 2 FACILITY, INSTITUTION OPERATED AS AN AGENCY OF THE COURT OR
- 3 COUNTY, OR AGENCY AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO RECEIVE CHILDREN OF SIMI-
- 4 LAR AGE, SEX, AND CHARACTERISTICS. IN A PLACEMENT UNDER SUBDIVI-
- 5 SION (D) OR A COMMITMENT UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION, EXCEPT TO A
- 6 STATE INSTITUTION, THE RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION OF THE CHILD SHALL
- 7 BE PROTECTED BY PLACEMENT OR COMMITMENT TO A PRIVATE
- 8 CHILD-PLACING OR CHILD-CARING AGENCY OR INSTITUTION, IF
- 9 AVAILABLE. THE COURT, IN EVERY ORDER OF COMMITMENT UNDER THIS
- 10 SUBDIVISION TO A STATE INSTITUTION OR AGENCY DESCRIBED IN THE
- 11 YOUTH REHABILITATION SERVICES ACT, ACT NO. 150 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS
- 12 OF 1974, BEING SECTIONS 803.301 TO 803.309 OF THE MICHIGAN
- 13 COMPILED LAWS OR IN ACT NO. 220 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1935, BEING
- 14 SECTIONS 400.201 TO 400.214 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, SHALL
- 15 NAME THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE INSTITUTION TO WHICH THE CHILD IS
- 16 COMMITTED AS A SPECIAL GUARDIAN TO RECEIVE BENEFITS DUE THE CHILD
- 17 FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND THE BENEFITS SHALL
- 18 BE USED TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO PAY FOR THE PORTIONS OF THE
- 19 COST OF CARE IN THE INSTITUTION WHICH THE PARENT OR PARENTS ARE
- 20 FOUND UNABLE TO PAY.
- 21 (F) PROVIDE THE CHILD WITH MEDICAL, DENTAL, SURGICAL, OR
- 22 OTHER HEALTH CARE, IN A LOCAL HOSPITAL IF AVAILABLE, OR ELSE-
- 23 WHERE, MAINTAINING AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE A LOCAL PHYSICIAN-PATIENT
- 24 RELATIONSHIP, AND WITH CLOTHING AND OTHER INCIDENTAL ITEMS AS THE
- 25 COURT CONSIDERS NECESSARY.
- 26 (G) ORDER THE PARENTS, GUARDIAN, CUSTODIAN, OR ANY OTHER
- 27 PERSON TO REFRAIN FROM CONTINUING CONDUCT WHICH, IN THE OPINION

- 1 OF THE COURT, HAS CAUSED OR TENDED TO CAUSE THE CHILD TO COME
- 2 WITHIN OR TO REMAIN UNDER THIS CHAPTER, OR WHICH OBSTRUCTS PLACE-
- 3 MENT OR COMMITMENT OF THE CHILD PURSUANT TO AN ORDER UNDER THIS
- 4 SECTION.
- 5 (2) AN ORDER OF DISPOSITION PLACING A CHILD IN OR COMMITTING
- 6 A CHILD TO CARE OUTSIDE OF THE CHILD'S OWN HOME AND UNDER STATE
- 7 OR COURT SUPERVISION SHALL CONTAIN A PROVISION FOR THE REIMBURSE-
- 8 MENT BY THE CHILD, PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN TO THE COURT
- 9 FOR THE COST OF CARE OR SERVICE. THE ORDER SHALL BE REASONABLE,
- 10 TAKING INTO ACCOUNT BOTH THE INCOME AND RESOURCES OF THE CHILD,
- 11 PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN. THE AMOUNT MAY BE BASED UPON THE
- 12 GUIDELINES AND MODEL SCHEDULE CREATED UNDER SUBSECTION (6). THE
- 13 REIMBURSEMENT PROVISION SHALL APPLY DURING THE ENTIRE PERIOD THE
- 14 CHILD REMAINS IN CARE OUTSIDE OF THE CHILD'S OWN HOME AND UNDER
- 15 STATE OR COURT SUPERVISION, UNLESS THE CHILD IS IN THE PERMANENT
- 16 CUSTODY OF THE COURT. THE COURT SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION
- 17 OF ALL AMOUNTS ORDERED TO BE REIMBURSED, AND THE MONEY COLLECTED
- 18 SHALL BE ACCOUNTED FOR AND REPORTED TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- 19 COMMISSIONERS. COLLECTIONS TO COVER DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS OR TO
- 20 PAY THE BALANCE DUE ON REIMBURSEMENT ORDERS MAY BE MADE AFTER A
- 21 CHILD IS RELEASED OR DISCHARGED FROM CARE OUTSIDE THE CHILD'S OWN
- 22 HOME AND UNDER STATE OR COURT SUPERVISION. TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT
- 23 OF ALL AMOUNTS COLLECTED PURSUANT TO AN ORDER ENTERED UNDER THIS
- 24 SUBSECTION SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE APPROPRIATE FUND OF THE
- 25 COUNTY TO OFFSET THE ADMINISTRATIVE COST OF COLLECTIONS. THE
- 26 BALANCE OF ALL AMOUNTS COLLECTED PURSUANT TO AN ORDER ENTERED
- 27 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE DIVIDED IN THE SAME RATIO IN WHICH

- 1 THE COUNTY, STATE, AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATE IN THE COST
- 2 OF CARE OUTSIDE THE CHILD'S OWN HOME AND UNDER STATE OR COURT
- 3 SUPERVISION. THE COURT MAY ALSO COLLECT BENEFITS PAID FOR THE
- 4 COST OF CARE OF A COURT WARD FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED
- 5 STATES. MONEY COLLECTED FOR CHILDREN PLACED WITH OR COMMITTED TO
- 6 THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES SHALL BE ACCOUNTED FOR
- 7 AND REPORTED ON AN INDIVIDUAL CHILD BASIS.
- 8 (3) AN ORDER OF DISPOSITION PLACING A CHILD IN THE CHILD'S
- 9 OWN HOME UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(B) MAY CONTAIN A PROVISION FOR THE
- 10 REIMBURSEMENT BY THE CHILD, PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN TO THE
- 11 COURT FOR THE COST OF SERVICE. IF AN ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER THIS
- 12 SUBSECTION, AMOUNTS DUE SHALL BE DETERMINED AND TREATED IN THE
- 13 SAME MANNER PROVIDED FOR AN ORDER ENTERED UNDER SUBSECTION (2).
- 14 (4) AN ORDER DIRECTED TO A PARENT OR A PERSON OTHER THAN THE
- 15 CHILD SHALL NOT BE EFFECTUAL AND BINDING ON THE PARENT OR OTHER
- 16 PERSON UNLESS OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING HAS BEEN GIVEN PURSUANT TO
- 17 ISSUANCE OF SUMMONS OR NOTICE AS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 9622 AND
- 18 9623, AND UNTIL A COPY OF THE ORDER, BEARING THE SEAL OF THE
- 19 COURT, IS SERVED ON THE PARENT OR OTHER PERSON, PERSONALLY OR BY
- 20 FIRST CLASS MAIL, TO THE PARENT'S OR OTHER PERSON'S LAST KNOWN
- 21 ADDRESS, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 9623.
- 22 (5) IF THE COURT APPOINTS AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT A CHILD,
- 23 PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, AN ORDER ENTERED UNDER THIS SEC-
- 24 TION MAY REQUIRE THE CHILD, PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN TO
- 25 REIMBURSE THE COURT FOR ATTORNEY FEES.
- 26 (6) THE OFFICE OF THE STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR, UNDER THE
- 27 SUPERVISION AND DIRECTION OF THE SUPREME COURT AND IN

- 1 CONSULTATION WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES SHALL
- 2 CREATE GUIDELINES AND A MODEL SCHEDULE WHICH MAY BE USED BY THE
- 3 COURT IN DETERMINING THE ABILITY OF THE CHILD, PARENT, GUARDIAN,
- 4 OR CUSTODIAN TO PAY FOR CARE AND ANY COSTS OF SERVICE ORDERED
- 5 UNDER SUBSECTION (2) OR (3). THE GUIDELINES AND MODEL SCHEDULE
- 6 SHALL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT BOTH THE INCOME AND RESOURCES OF THE
- 7 CHILD, PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN.
- 8 (7) IF THE COURT FINDS THAT A CHILD HAS VIOLATED ANY MUNICI-
- 9 PAL ORDINANCE OR STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, AND THE COURT HAS PLACED
- 10 THE CHILD ON PROBATION, THE COURT MAY, AS A CONDITION OF PROBA-
- 11 TION, REQUIRE THE CHILD TO DO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 12 (A) BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 13 (i) PAY RESTITUTION TO THE VICTIM.
- 14 (ii) ENGAGE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE OR WITH THE VICTIM'S CON-
- 15 SENT PERFORM SERVICES FOR THE VICTIM.
- 16 (B) SEEK AND MAINTAIN PAID PART-TIME OR FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT
- 17 AND PAY RESTITUTION TO THE VICTIM FROM THE EARNINGS OF THAT PAID
- 18 PART-TIME OR FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT.
- 19 (8) IF THE COURT IMPOSES RESTITUTION AS PART OF A SENTENCE
- 20 OF PROBATION, THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:
- 21 (A) THE COURT SHALL NOT REQUIRE A CHILD TO PAY RESTITUTION
- 22 UNLESS THE CHILD IS OR WILL BE ABLE TO PAY ALL OR PART OF THE
- 23 RESTITUTION DURING THE TERM OF HIS OR HER PROBATION. IN DETER-
- 24 MINING THE AMOUNT AND METHOD OF PAYMENT OF RESTITUTION, THE COURT
- 25 SHALL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES OF THE CHILD AND
- 26 THE BURDEN THAT THE PAYMENT OF RESTITUTION WILL IMPOSE, WITH DUE

- 1 REGARD TO ANY OTHER MORAL OR LEGAL FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS THAT THE
- 2 CHILD MAY HAVE.
- 3 (B) THE AMOUNT OF RESTITUTION A COURT ORDERS A CHILD TO PAY
- 4 UNDER SUBSECTION (7)(B) SHALL NOT EXCEED 30% OF THE NET INCOME
- 5 PER PAY PERIOD FROM THE CHILD'S PAID PART-TIME OR FULL-TIME
- 6 EMPLOYMENT.
- 7 (C) A CHILD WHO IS REQUIRED TO PAY RESTITUTION AND WHO IS
- 8 NOT IN INTENTIONAL DEFAULT OF THE PAYMENT OF RESTITUTION MAY
- 9 PETITION THE COURT, OR AN ADULT ACTING ON THE CHILD'S BEHALF MAY
- 10 PETITION THE COURT, FOR A MODIFICATION OF THE AMOUNT OF RESTITU-
- 11 TION OWED OR FOR A CANCELLATION OF ANY UNPAID PORTION OF THE
- 12 RESTITUTION.
- 13 (D) THE COURT SHALL CANCEL ALL OR PART OF THE AMOUNT OF RES-
- 14 TITUTION DUE IF IT APPEARS TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE COURT THAT
- 15 PAYMENT OF THE AMOUNT DUE WILL IMPOSE A MANIFEST HARDSHIP ON THE
- 16 CHILD.
- 17 (E) IF THE COURT CANCELS ALL OR A PART OF THE AMOUNT OF RES-
- 18 TITUTION, THE COURT MAY MODIFY THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PROBA-
- 19 TION TO REQUIRE THE CHILD TO ENGAGE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE.
- 20 (9) IF A CHILD IS REQUIRED TO PAY RESTITUTION AS PART OF THE
- 21 SENTENCE OF PROBATION, THE COURT SHALL PROVIDE FOR PAYMENT TO BE
- 22 MADE IN SPECIFIED INSTALLMENTS AND WITHIN A SPECIFIED PERIOD OF
- 23 TIME.
- 24 (10) IF THE COURT FINDS THAT THE CHILD IS IN INTENTIONAL
- 25 DEFAULT OF THE PAYMENT OF RESTITUTION, A COURT MAY REVOKE OR
- 26 ALTER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PROBATION FOR NONPAYMENT OF
- 27 RESTITUTION.

- 1 (11) IF A CHILD WHO IS ORDERED TO ENGAGE IN COMMUNITY
- 2 SERVICE INTENTIONALLY REFUSES TO PERFORM THE REQUIRED COMMUNITY
- 3 SERVICE, THE COURT MAY REVOKE OR ALTER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS
- 4 OF PROBATION.
- 5 (12) IF THE CHILD IS UNABLE TO PAY ALL OF THE RESTITUTION
- 6 ORDERED, AFTER NOTICE TO THE CHILD'S CUSTODIAL PARENT AND AN
- 7 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PARENT TO BE HEARD, THE COURT MAY ORDER THE
- 8 CUSTODIAL PARENT TO PAY ALL OR PART OF THE UNPAID PORTION OF THE
- 9 RESTITUTION ORDERED. THE AMOUNT OF RESTITUTION THE PARENT IS
- 10 ORDERED TO PAY UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT EXCEED \$2,500.00.
- 11 (13) IF THE COURT ORDERS THE CUSTODIAL PARENT TO PAY RESTI-
- 12 TUTION UNDER SUBSECTION (12), THE COURT SHALL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT
- 13 THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES OF THE PARENT AND THE BURDEN THAT THE
- 14 PAYMENT OF RESTITUTION WILL IMPOSE, WITH DUE REGARD TO ANY OTHER
- 15 MORAL OR LEGAL FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS THAT THE PARENT MAY HAVE.
- 16 IF A PARENT IS REQUIRED TO PAY RESTITUTION UNDER SUBSECTION (12),
- 17 THE COURT SHALL PROVIDE FOR PAYMENT TO BE MADE IN SPECIFIED
- 18 INSTALLMENTS AND WITHIN A SPECIFIED PERIOD OF TIME.
- 19 (14) A PARENT WHO HAS BEEN ORDERED TO PAY RESTITUTION UNDER
- 20 SUBSECTION (12) MAY PETITION THE COURT FOR A MODIFICATION OF THE
- 21 AMOUNT OF RESTITUTION OWED OR FOR A CANCELLATION OF ANY UNPAID
- 22 PORTION OF THE RESTITUTION. THE COURT SHALL CANCEL ALL OR PART
- 23 OF THE AMOUNT OF RESTITUTION DUE, IF IT APPEARS TO THE SATISFAC-
- 24 TION OF THE COURT THAT PAYMENT OF THE AMOUNT DUE WILL IMPOSE A
- 25 MANIFEST HARDSHIP ON THE PARENT.
- 26 (15) THE COURT SHALL NOT ENTER AN ORDER OF DISPOSITION FOR A
- 27 JUVENILE OFFENSE AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1A OF ACT NO. 289 OF THE

- 1 PUBLIC ACTS OF 1925, BEING SECTION 28.241A OF THE MICHIGAN
- 2 COMPILED LAWS, UNTIL THE COURT HAS EXAMINED THE COURT FILE AND
- 3 HAS DETERMINED THAT THE CHILD'S FINGERPRINTS HAVE BEEN TAKEN AS
- 4 REQUIRED BY SECTION 3 OF ACT NO. 289 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1925,
- 5 BEING SECTION 28.243 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS. IF A CHILD
- 6 HAS NOT HAD HIS OR HER FINGERPRINTS TAKEN, THE COURT SHALL DO
- 7 EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 8 (A) ORDER THE CHILD TO SUBMIT HIMSELF OR HERSELF TO THE
- 9 POLICE AGENCY THAT ARRESTED OR OBTAINED THE WARRANT FOR THE
- 10 ARREST OF THE CHILD SO THE CHILD'S FINGERPRINTS CAN BE TAKEN.
- 11 (B) ORDER THE CHILD COMMITTED TO THE CUSTODY OF THE SHERIFF
- 12 FOR THE TAKING OF THE CHILD'S FINGERPRINTS.
- 13 (16) UPON DISPOSITION OR DISMISSAL OF A JUVENILE OFFENSE,
- 14 THE CLERK OF THE COURT ENTERING THE DISPOSITION OR DISMISSAL
- 15 SHALL IMMEDIATELY ADVISE THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE OF THE
- 16 DISPOSITION OR DISMISSAL ON FORMS APPROVED BY THE STATE COURT
- 17 ADMINISTRATOR. THE REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE
- 18 SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION AS TO THE FINDING OF THE JUDGE OR JURY
- 19 AND A SUMMARY OF THE DISPOSITION IMPOSED.
- 20 SEC. 9630. WHEN THE COURT ENTERS A REIMBURSEMENT ORDER
- 21 UNDER SECTION 9629 AND THE PARENT OR OTHER ADULT LEGALLY RESPON-
- 22 SIBLE FOR THE CARE OF THE CHILD FAILS OR REFUSES TO OBEY AND PER-
- 23 FORM THE ORDER, AND HAS BEEN FOUND GUILTY OF CONTEMPT OF COURT
- 24 FOR THE FAILURE OR REFUSAL, THE COURT MAKING THE ORDER, AFTER
- 25 PROPER NOTICE AND HEARING, MAY ORDER AN ASSIGNMENT TO THE COUNTY
- 26 OR STATE OF THE SALARY, WAGES, OR OTHER INCOME OF THE PERSON
- 27 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CARE OF THE CHILD, WHICH ASSIGNMENT SHALL

- 1 CONTINUE UNTIL THE SUPPORT IS PAID IN FULL. THE ORDER OF
- 2 ASSIGNMENT SHALL BE EFFECTIVE | WEEK AFTER SERVICE UPON THE
- 3 EMPLOYER OF A TRUE COPY OF THE ORDER BY PERSONAL SERVICE OR BY
- 4 REGISTERED MAIL. AFTER THE ORDER OF ASSIGNMENT TAKES EFFECT, THE
- 5 EMPLOYER SHALL WITHHOLD FROM THE EARNINGS DUE THE EMPLOYEE THE
- 6 AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN THE ORDER OF ASSIGNMENT FOR TRANSMITTAL TO
- 7 THE COUNTY OR STATE UNTIL NOTIFIED BY THE COURT THAT THE SUPPORT
- 8 ARREARAGE IS PAID IN FULL. AN EMPLOYER SHALL NOT USE THE ASSIGN-
- 9 MENT AS A BASIS, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, FOR THE DISCHARGE OF AN
- 10 EMPLOYEE OR FOR ANY OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST AN
- 11 EMPLOYEE. COMPLIANCE BY AN EMPLOYER WITH THE ORDER OF ASSIGNMENT
- 12 OPERATES AS A DISCHARGE OF THE EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY TO THE
- 13 EMPLOYEE AS TO THAT PORTION OF THE EMPLOYEE'S EARNINGS SO
- 14 AFFECTED.
- 15 SEC. 9630A. (1) IF A CHILD IS COMMITTED UNDER
- 16 SECTION 9629(1)(E) FOR AN OFFENSE WHICH, IF COMMITTED BY AN
- 17 ADULT, WOULD BE PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR MORE THAN 1 YEAR
- 18 OR AN OFFENSE EXPRESSLY DESIGNATED BY LAW TO BE A FELONY, THE
- 19 COURT SHALL RETAIN JURISDICTION OVER THE CHILD.
- 20 (2) IF A CHILD IS COMMITTED UNDER SECTION 9629(1)(E) AND THE
- 21 CHILD WAS ADJUDICATED AS BEING IN THE COURT'S JURISDICTION UNDER
- 22 SECTION 9602(2), THE COURT SHALL RETAIN JURISDICTION OVER THE
- 23 CHILD. THIS SUBSECTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT JUNE 1, 1991.
- 24 (3) IF THE COURT HAS RETAINED JURISDICTION OVER A CHILD
- 25 UNDER THIS SECTION, THE COURT SHALL CONDUCT AN ANNUAL REVIEW OF
- 26 THE SERVICES BEING PROVIDED TO THE CHILD, THE CHILD'S PLACEMENT,
- 27 AND THE CHILD'S PROGRESS IN THAT PLACEMENT. IN CONDUCTING THIS

- 1 REVIEW, THE COURT SHALL EXAMINE THE CHILD'S ANNUAL REPORT
- 2 PREPARED PURSUANT TO SECTION 3 OF THE JUVENILE FACILITIES ACT.
- 3 THE COURT MAY ORDER CHANGES IN THE CHILD'S PLACEMENT OR TREATMENT
- 4 PLAN BASED ON THE REVIEW.
- 5 (4) IF THE COURT HAS RETAINED JURISDICTION OVER A CHILD
- 6 UNDER THIS SECTION, THE CHILD MAY BE RELEASED ONLY WITH THE
- 7 APPROVAL OF THE COURT. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN
- 8 SECTION 9630B, THE CHILD SHALL BE AUTOMATICALLY RELEASED UPON
- 9 REACHING 19 YEARS OF AGE.
- 10 SEC. 9630B. (1) IF A CHILD IS COMMITTED UNDER
- 11 SECTION 9629(1)(E) FOR AN OFFENSE WHICH, IF COMMITTED BY AN
- 12 ADULT, WOULD BE A VIOLATION OR ATTEMPTED VIOLATION OF SECTION 72,
- 13 83, 84, 88, 89, 91, 316, 317, 349, 520B, 520C, 520D, 520G, 529,
- 14 OR 530 OF THE MICHIGAN PENAL CODE, ACT NO. 328 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS
- 15 OF 1931, BEING SECTIONS 750.72, 750,83, 750.84, 750.88, 750.89,
- 16 750.91, 750.316, 750.317, 750.349, 750.520B, 750.520C, 750.520D,
- 17 750.520G, 750.529, AND 750.530 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, OR
- 18 SECTION 7401(2)(A)(i) OR 7403(2)(A)(i) OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH CODE,
- 19 ACT NO. 368 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, BEING SECTIONS 333.7401
- 20 AND 333.7403 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, THE COURT SHALL CON-
- 21 DUCT A REVIEW HEARING TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE CHILD HAS BEEN
- 22 REHABILITATED AND WHETHER THE CHILD PRESENTS A SERIOUS RISK TO
- 23 PUBLIC SAFETY. IF THE COURT DETERMINES THAT THE CHILD HAS NOT
- 24 BEEN REHABILITATED OR THAT THE CHILD PRESENTS A SERIOUS RISK TO
- 25 PUBLIC SAFETY, JURISDICTION OVER THE CHILD SHALL BE CONTINUED.
- 26 IN MAKING THIS DETERMINATION, THE COURT SHALL CONSIDER ALL OF THE
- 27 FOLLOWING:

- 1 (A) THE EXTENT AND NATURE OF THE CHILD'S PARTICIPATION IN
- 2 EDUCATION, COUNSELING, OR WORK PROGRAMS.
- 3 (B) THE CHILD'S WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR
- 4 PRIOR BEHAVIOR.
- 5 (C) THE CHILD'S BEHAVIOR IN HIS OR HER CURRENT PLACEMENT.
- 6 (D) THE PRIOR RECORD AND CHARACTER OF THE CHILD AND HIS OR
- 7 HER PHYSICAL AND MENTAL MATURITY.
- 8 (E) THE CHILD'S POTENTIAL FOR VIOLENT CONDUCT AS DEMON-
- 9 STRATED BY PRIOR BEHAVIOR.
- 10 (F) THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INSTITUTION, AGENCY, OR
- 11 FACILITY CHARGED WITH THE CHILD'S CARE FOR THE CHILD'S RELEASE OR
- 12 CONTINUED CUSTODY.
- 13 (G) OTHER INFORMATION THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY OR CHILD MAY
- 14 SUBMIT.
- 15 (2) A REVIEW HEARING SHALL BE SCHEDULED AND HELD, UNLESS
- 16 ADJOURNED FOR GOOD CAUSE, AS NEAR AS POSSIBLE TO, BUT BEFORE, THE
- 17 CHILD'S NINETEENTH BIRTHDAY. IF THE INSTITUTION, AGENCY, OR
- 18 FACILITY TO WHICH THE CHILD WAS COMMITTED BELIEVES THAT THE CHILD
- 19 HAS BEEN REHABILITATED AND THAT THE CHILD DOES NOT PRESENT A
- 20 SERIOUS RISK TO PUBLIC SAFETY, THE INSTITUTION, AGENCY, OR FACIL-
- 21 ITY MAY PETITION THE COURT TO CONDUCT A REVIEW HEARING AT ANY
- 22 TIME BEFORE THE CHILD BECOMES 19 YEARS OF AGE OR, IF THE COURT
- 23 HAS CONTINUED JURISDICTION UNDER SUBSECTION (1), AT ANY TIME
- 24 BEFORE THE CHILD BECOMES 21 YEARS OF AGE.
- 25 (3) NOT LESS THAN 14 DAYS BEFORE A REVIEW HEARING IS TO BE
- 26 CONDUCTED, THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, CHILD, AND, IF ADDRESSES ARE
- 27 KNOWN, THE CHILD'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN SHALL BE NOTIFIED. THE

- 1 NOTICE SHALL STATE THAT THE COURT MAY EXTEND JURISDICTION OVER
- 2 THE CHILD AND SHALL ADVISE THE CHILD AND THE CHILD'S PARENT OR
- 3 GUARDIAN OF THE RIGHT TO LEGAL COUNSEL. IF LEGAL COUNSEL HAS NOT
- 4 BEEN RETAINED OR APPOINTED TO REPRESENT THE CHILD, THE COURT
- 5 SHALL APPOINT LEGAL COUNSEL AND MAY ASSESS THE COST OF PROVIDING
- 6 COUNSEL AS COSTS AGAINST THE CHILD OR THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
- 7 CHILD'S SUPPORT, OR BOTH, IF THE PERSONS TO BE ASSESSED ARE
- 8 FINANCIALLY ABLE TO COMPLY.
- 9 (4) THE INSTITUTION, AGENCY, OR FACILITY CHARGED WITH THE
- 10 CARE OF THE CHILD SHALL PREPARE COMMITMENT REPORTS AS PROVIDED IN
- 11 SECTION 5 OF THE JUVENILE FACILITIES ACT, FOR USE BY THE COURT AT
- 12 A REVIEW HEARING HELD UNDER THIS SECTION.
- SEC. 9630C. (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), A
- 14 PERSON WHO HAS BEEN ADJUDICATED OF NOT MORE THAN 1 JUVENILE
- 15 OFFENSE AND WHO HAS NO FELONY CONVICTIONS MAY FILE AN APPLICATION
- 16 WITH THE ADJUDICATING COURT FOR THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER SETTING
- 17 ASIDE THE ADJUDICATION. A PERSON MAY HAVE ONLY 1 ADJUDICATION
- 18 SET ASIDE UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 19 (2) A PERSON SHALL NOT APPLY TO HAVE SET ASIDE, NOR MAY A
- 20 JUDGE SET ASIDE, AN ADJUDICATION FOR AN OFFENSE WHICH IF COMMIT-
- 21 TED BY AN ADULT WOULD BE A FELONY FOR WHICH THE MAXIMUM PUNISH-
- 22 MENT IS LIFE IMPRISONMENT OR AN ADJUDICATION FOR A TRAFFIC
- 23 OFFENSE UNDER THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE, ACT NO. 300 OF THE
- 24 PUBLIC ACTS OF 1949, BEING SECTIONS 257.1 TO 257.923 OF THE
- 25 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, OR A LOCAL ORDINANCE SUBSTANTIALLY CORRE-
- 26 SPONDING TO THAT ACT, WHICH VIOLATION INVOLVES THE OPERATION OF A

- 1 VEHICLE AND AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION IS A FELONY OR
- 2 MISDEMEANOR.
- 3 (3) AN APPLICATION SHALL NOT BE FILED UNTIL THE EXPIRATION
- 4 OF 5 YEARS FOLLOWING IMPOSITION OF THE DISPOSITION FOR THE ADJU-
- 5 DICATION WHICH THE APPLICANT SEEKS TO SET ASIDE, OR 5 YEARS FOL-
- 6 LOWING COMPLETION OF ANY TERM OF DETENTION FOR THAT ADJUDICATION,
- 7 OR WHEN THE PERSON BECOMES 24 YEARS OF AGE, WHICHEVER OCCURS
- 8 LATER.
- 9 (4) THE APPLICATION SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION
- 10 AND SHALL BE SIGNED UNDER OATH BY THE PERSON WHOSE ADJUDICATION
- 11 IS TO BE SET ASIDE:
- 12 (A) THE FULL NAME AND CURRENT ADDRESS OF THE APPLICANT.
- 13 (B) A CERTIFIED RECORD OF THE ADJUDICATION THAT IS TO BE SET 14 ASIDE.
- 15 (C) A STATEMENT THAT THE APPLICANT HAS NOT BEEN ADJUDICATED
- 16 OF A JUVENILE OFFENSE OTHER THAN THE ONE THAT IS SOUGHT TO BE SET
- 17 ASIDE AS A RESULT OF THIS APPLICATION.
- 18 (D) A STATEMENT THAT THE APPLICANT HAS NOT BEEN CONVICTED OF
- 19 ANY FELONY OFFENSE.
- 20 (E) A STATEMENT AS TO WHETHER THE APPLICANT HAS PREVIOUSLY
- 21 FILED AN APPLICATION TO SET ASIDE THIS OR ANY OTHER ADJUDICATION
- 22 AND, IF SO, THE DISPOSITION OF THE APPLICATION.
- 23 (F) A STATEMENT AS TO WHETHER THE APPLICANT HAS ANY OTHER
- 24 CRIMINAL CHARGE PENDING AGAINST HIM OR HER IN ANY COURT IN THE
- 25 UNITED STATES OR IN ANY OTHER COUNTRY.

- 1 (G) A CONSENT TO THE USE OF THE NONPUBLIC RECORD CREATED
  2 UNDER SUBSECTION (13), TO THE EXTENT AUTHORIZED BY SUBSECTION
- 3 (13).
- 4 (5) THE APPLICANT SHALL SUBMIT A COPY OF THE APPLICATION AND
- 5 A COMPLETE SET OF FINGERPRINTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
- 6 POLICE. THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE SHALL COMPARE THOSE FIN-
- 7 GERPRINTS WITH THE RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING THE NON-
- 8 PUBLIC RECORD CREATED UNDER SUBSECTION (13), AND SHALL REPORT TO
- 9 THE COURT IN WHICH THE APPLICATION IS FILED THE INFORMATION CON-
- 10 TAINED IN THE DEPARTMENT'S RECORDS WITH RESPECT TO ANY PENDING
- 11 CHARGES AGAINST THE APPLICANT, ANY RECORD OF ADJUDICATION OR CON-
- 12 VICTION OF THE APPLICANT, AND THE SETTING ASIDE OF ANY ADJUDICA-
- 13 TION OR CONVICTION OF THE APPLICANT. THE COURT SHALL NOT ACT
- 14 UPON THE APPLICATION UNTIL THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE REPORTS
- 15 THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION TO THE COURT.
- 16 (6) THE COPY OF THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT
- 17 OF STATE POLICE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5) SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED
- 18 BY A FEE OF \$15.00 PAYABLE TO THE STATE OF MICHIGAN. THE DEPART-
- 19 MENT OF STATE POLICE SHALL USE THE FEE TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES
- 20 INCURRED IN PROCESSING THE APPLICATION.
- 21 (7) A COPY OF THE APPLICATION SHALL BE SERVED UPON THE
- 22 ATTORNEY GENERAL AND, IF APPLICABLE, UPON THE OFFICE OF THE PROS-
- 23 ECUTING ATTORNEY WHO PROSECUTED THE OFFENSE. THE ATTORNEY GEN-
- 24 ERAL AND THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY SHALL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
- 25 CONTEST THE APPLICATION.

- 1 (8) UPON THE HEARING OF THE APPLICATION, THE COURT MAY
- 2 REQUIRE THE FILING OF SUCH AFFIDAVITS AND THE TAKING OF SUCH
- 3 PROOFS AS IT CONSIDERS PROPER.
- 4 (9) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (10), IF THE COURT
- 5 DETERMINES THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND BEHAVIOR OF THE APPLICANT
- 6 FROM THE DATE OF THE APPLICANT'S ADJUDICATION TO THE FILING OF
- 7 THE APPLICATION WARRANT SETTING ASIDE THE ADJUDICATION AND THAT
- 8 SETTING ASIDE THE ADJUDICATION IS CONSISTENT WITH THE PUBLIC WEL-
- 9 FARE, THE COURT MAY ENTER AN ORDER SETTING ASIDE THE
- 10 ADJUDICATION. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (10), THE SETTING
- 11 ASIDE OF AN ADJUDICATION UNDER THIS SECTION IS A PRIVILEGE AND
- 12 CONDITIONAL, AND IS NOT A RIGHT.
- 13 (10) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (9), THE COURT SHALL SET
- 14 ASIDE THE ADJUDICATION OF A PERSON WHO WAS ADJUDICATED FOR AN
- 15 OFFENSE WHICH IF COMMITTED BY AN ADULT WOULD BE A VIOLATION OR AN
- 16 ATTEMPTED VIOLATION OF SECTION 413 OF THE MICHIGAN PENAL CODE,
- 17 ACT NO. 328 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1931, BEING SECTION 750.413 OF
- 18 THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, IF THE PERSON FILES AN APPLICATION
- 19 WITH THE COURT AND OTHERWISE MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
- 20 SECTION.
- 21 (11) UPON THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER UNDER THIS SECTION, THE
- 22 APPLICANT, FOR PURPOSES OF THE LAW, SHALL BE CONSIDERED NOT TO
- 23 HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY ADJUDICATED, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSEC-
- 24 TION (13) AND AS FOLLOWS:
- 25 (A) THE APPLICANT SHALL NOT BE ENTITLED TO THE REMISSION OF
- 26 ANY FINE, COSTS, OR OTHER SUMS OF MONEY PAID AS A CONSEQUENCE OF
- 27 AN ADJUDICATION THAT IS SET ASIDE.

- 1 (B) THIS SECTION DOES NOT AFFECT THE RIGHT OF THE APPLICANT 2 TO RELY UPON THE ADJUDICATION TO BAR SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS FOR
- 3 THE SAME OFFENSE.
- 4 (C) THIS SECTION DOES NOT AFFECT THE RIGHT OF A VICTIM OF AN
- 5 OFFENSE TO PROSECUTE OR DEFEND A CIVIL ACTION FOR DAMAGES.
- 6 (D) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO CREATE A RIGHT TO
- 7 COMMENCE AN ACTION FOR DAMAGES FOR DETENTION UNDER THE DISPOSI-
- 8 TION WHICH THE APPLICANT SERVED BEFORE THE ADJUDICATION IS SET
- 9 ASIDE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.
- 10 (12) UPON THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER UNDER THIS SECTION, THE
- 11 COURT SHALL SEND A COPY OF THE ORDER TO THE ARRESTING AGENCY AND
- 12 THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE.
- 13 (13) THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE SHALL RETAIN A NONPUBLIC
- 14 RECORD OF THE ORDER SETTING ASIDE AN ADJUDICATION AND OF THE
- 15 RECORD OF THE ARREST, FINGERPRINTS, ADJUDICATION, AND DISPOSITION
- 16 OF THE APPLICANT IN THE CASE TO WHICH THE ORDER APPLIES. EXCEPT
- 17 AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (14), THIS NONPUBLIC RECORD SHALL BE
- 18 MADE AVAILABLE ONLY TO A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION, AN
- 19 AGENCY OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH OF STATE GOVERNMENT, A LAW ENFORCE-
- 20 MENT AGENCY, A PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, OR THE
- 21 GOVERNOR UPON REQUEST AND ONLY FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:
- 22 (A) FOR CONSIDERATION IN A LICENSING FUNCTION CONDUCTED BY
- 23 AN AGENCY OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH OF STATE GOVERNMENT.
- 24 (B) FOR CONSIDERATION BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IF A
- 25 PERSON WHOSE ADJUDICATION HAS BEEN SET ASIDE APPLIES FOR EMPLOY-
- 26 MENT WITH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

- 1 (C) TO SHOW THAT A PERSON WHO HAS FILED AN APPLICATION TO
- 2 SET ASIDE AN ADJUDICATION HAS PREVIOUSLY HAD AN ADJUDICATION SET
- 3 ASIDE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.
- 4 (D) FOR THE COURT'S CONSIDERATION IN DETERMINING THE SEN-
- 5 TENCE TO BE IMPOSED UPON CONVICTION FOR A SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE THAT
- 6 IS PUNISHABLE AS A FELONY OR BY IMPRISONMENT FOR MORE THAN 1
- 7 YEAR.
- 8 (E) FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE GOVERNOR, IF A PERSON WHOSE
- 9 ADJUDICATION HAS BEEN SET ASIDE APPLIES FOR A PARDON FOR ANOTHER
- 10 OFFENSE.
- 11 (14) A COPY OF THE NONPUBLIC RECORD CREATED UNDER SUBSECTION
- 12 (13) SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE PERSON WHOSE ADJUDICATION IS SET
- 13 ASIDE UNDER THIS SECTION UPON PAYMENT OF A FEE DETERMINED AND
- 14 CHARGED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE IN THE SAME MANNER AS
- 15 THE FEE PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 4 OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
- 16 ACT, ACT NO. 442 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1976, BEING SECTION 15.234
- 17 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 18 (15) THE NONPUBLIC RECORD MAINTAINED UNDER SUBSECTION (13)
- 19 SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER ACT NO. 442 OF THE PUBLIC
- 20 ACTS OF 1976, BEING SECTIONS 15.231 TO 15.246 OF THE MICHIGAN
- 21 COMPILED LAWS.
- 22 (16) A PERSON, OTHER THAN THE APPLICANT, WHO KNOWS OR SHOULD
- 23 HAVE KNOWN THAT AN ADJUDICATION WAS SET ASIDE UNDER THIS SECTION,
- 24 WHO DIVULGES, USES, OR PUBLISHES INFORMATION CONCERNING AN ADJU-
- 25 DICATION SET ASIDE UNDER THIS SECTION, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUB-
- 26 SECTION (13), IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR.

- 1 SEC. 9630D. (1) IF, IN A PROCEEDING UNDER SECTION 9602(3),
- 2 AN AGENCY ADVISES THE COURT AGAINST PLACING A CHILD IN THE
- 3 CUSTODY OF THE CHILD'S PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, THE AGENCY
- 4 SHALL REPORT IN WRITING TO THE COURT WHAT EFFORTS WERE MADE TO
- 5 PREVENT THE CHILD'S REMOVAL FROM HIS OR HER HOME OR THE EFFORTS
- 6 MADE TO RECTIFY THE CONDITIONS THAT CAUSED THE CHILD'S REMOVAL
- 7 FROM HIS OR HER HOME. THE REPORT SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THE
- 8 FOLLOWING:
- 9 (A) IF SERVICES WERE PROVIDED TO THE CHILD AND HIS OR HER
- 10 PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, THE SERVICES, INCLUDING IN-HOME
- 11 SERVICES, THAT WERE PROVIDED.
- 12 (B) IF SERVICES WERE NOT PROVIDED TO THE CHILD AND HIS OR
- 13 HER PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, THE REASONS WHY SERVICES WERE
- 14 NOT PROVIDED.
- 15 (C) LIKELY HARM TO THE CHILD IF THE CHILD WERE TO BE SEPA-
- 16 RATED FROM HIS OR HER PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN.
- 17 (D) LIKELY HARM TO THE CHILD IF THE CHILD WERE TO BE
- 18 RETURNED TO HIS OR HER PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN.
- 19 (2) BEFORE THE COURT ENTERS AN ORDER OF DISPOSITION IN A
- 20 PROCEEDING UNDER SECTION 9602(3), THE AGENCY SHALL PREPARE A CASE
- 21 SERVICE PLAN WHICH SHALL BE AVAILABLE TO THE COURT AND ALL THE
- 22 PARTIES TO THE PROCEEDING.
- 23 (3) THE CASE SERVICE PLAN SHALL PROVIDE FOR PLACING THE
- 24 CHILD IN THE MOST FAMILY-LIKE SETTING AVAILABLE AND IN AS CLOSE
- 25 PROXIMITY TO THE CHILD'S PARENTS' HOME AS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE
- 26 BEST INTERESTS AND SPECIAL NEEDS OF THE CHILD. THE CASE SERVICE
- 27 PLAN SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:

- 1 (A) THE TYPE OF HOME OR INSTITUTION IN WHICH THE CHILD IS TO 2 BE PLACED AND THE REASONS FOR THE SELECTED PLACEMENT.
- 3 (B) EFFORTS TO BE MADE BY THE CHILD'S PARENT TO ENABLE THE
- 4 CHILD TO RETURN TO HIS OR HER HOME.
- 5 (C) EFFORTS TO BE MADE BY THE AGENCY TO RETURN THE CHILD TO 6 HIS OR HER HOME.
- 7 (D) SCHEDULE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO THE PARENT,
- 8 CHILD, AND IF THE CHILD IS TO BE PLACED IN FOSTER CARE, THE
- 9 FOSTER PARENT, TO FACILITATE THE CHILD'S RETURN TO HIS OR HER
- 10 HOME OR TO FACILITATE THE PERMANENT PLACEMENT OF THE CHILD.
- 11 (E) UNLESS VISITATION, EVEN IF SUPERVISED, WOULD BE HARMFUL
- 12 TO THE CHILD, A SCHEDULE FOR REGULAR AND FREQUENT VISITATION
- 13 BETWEEN THE CHILD AND HIS OR HER PARENT WHICH SHALL NOT BE LESS
- 14 THAN ONCE EVERY 7 DAYS.
- 15 (4) THE COURT SHALL CONSIDER THE CASE SERVICE PLAN AND THE
- 16 EVIDENCE OFFERED BEARING ON DISPOSITION BEFORE THE COURT ENTERS
- 17 AN ORDER OF DISPOSITION. THE ORDER OF DISPOSITION SHALL STATE
- 18 WHETHER REASONABLE EFFORTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO PREVENT THE CHILD'S
- 19 REMOVAL FROM HIS OR HER HOME OR TO RECTIFY THE CONDITIONS THAT
- 20 CAUSED THE CHILD'S REMOVAL FROM HIS OR HER HOME. THE COURT MAY
- 21 ORDER COMPLIANCE WITH ALL OR ANY PART OF THE CASE SERVICE PLAN AS
- 22 THE COURT CONSIDERS NECESSARY.
- 23 (5) IF A CHILD CONTINUES IN PLACEMENT OUTSIDE OF THE CHILD'S
- 24 HOME. THE CASE SERVICE PLAN SHALL BE UPDATED AND REVISED AT
- 25 90-DAY INTERVALS AS REQUIRED BY THE RULES PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO
- 26 ACT NO. 116 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1973, BEING SECTIONS 722.111 TO
- 27 722.128 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS. UPDATED AND REVISED CASE

- 1 SERVICE PLANS SHALL BE AVAILABLE TO THE COURT AND ALL THE PARTIES
- 2 TO THE PROCEEDING.
- 3 SEC. 9631. (1) SUBJECT TO SECTION 9633, IF A CHILD REMAINS
- 4 UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT, A CAUSE MAY BE TERMINATED OR
- 5 AN ORDER MAY BE AMENDED OR SUPPLEMENTED, WITHIN THE AUTHORITY
- 6 GRANTED TO THE COURT IN SECTION 9629, AT ANY TIME AS THE COURT
- 7 CONSIDERS NECESSARY AND PROPER. AN AMENDED OR SUPPLEMENTED ORDER
- 8 SHALL BE REFERRED TO AS A "SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF DISPOSITION".
- 9 (2) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (3), (5),
- 10 (6), (8), (9), AND (10), IF A CHILD IS PLACED IN FOSTER CARE, THE
- 11 CAUSE SHALL BE REHEARD NOT MORE THAN 182 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF THE
- 12 ORDER OF DISPOSITION. THE SHOWING SHALL BE RECORDED STENOGRAPHI-
- 13 CALLY AT A HEARING HELD BY THE JUDGE OR REFEREE. IF THE CHILD
- 14 REMAINS IN FOSTER CARE IN THE TEMPORARY CUSTODY OF THE COURT FOL-
- 15 LOWING THE HEARING, THE CAUSE SHALL BE FURTHER REHEARD NOT MORE
- 16 THAN 182 DAYS AFTER THE HEARING. IN CONDUCTING THE REVIEW HEAR-
- 17 ING, THE COURT SHALL REVIEW THE PERFORMANCE OF THE CHILD, THE
- 18 CHILD'S PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN, THE JUVENILE WORKER, AND
- 19 OTHER PERSONS PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO THE CHILD AND HIS OR HER
- 20 FAMILY.
- 21 (3) IF, IN A PROCEEDING UNDER SECTION 9602(3), A CHILD IS
- 22 PLACED AND REMAINS IN FOSTER CARE, A REVIEW HEARING SHALL BE HELD
- 23 NOT MORE THAN 91 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF THE ORDER OF DISPOSITION AND
- 24 EVERY 91 DAYS THEREAFTER FOR THE FIRST YEAR FOLLOWING THE ENTRY
- 25 OF THE ORDER OF DISPOSITION. AFTER THE FIRST YEAR FOLLOWING THE
- 26 ENTRY OF THE ORDER OF DISPOSITION, A REVIEW HEARING SHALL BE HELD
- 27 NOT MORE THAN 182 DAYS AFTER A PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARING HELD

- 1 PURSUANT TO SECTION 9632. UPON MOTION BY ANY PARTY OR IN THE
- 2 COURT'S DISCRETION, A REVIEW HEARING MAY BE ACCELERATED TO REVIEW
- 3 ANY ELEMENT OF THE CASE SERVICE PLAN PREPARED PURSUANT TO SECTION
- 4 9630D.
- 5 (4) NOTICE OF A REVIEW HEARING UNDER SUBSECTION (2) OR (3)
- 6 SHALL BE SERVED UPON ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 7 (A) THE AGENCY. THE AGENCY SHALL ADVISE THE CHILD OF THE
- 8 HEARING IF THE CHILD IS 11 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.
- 9 (B) THE FOSTER PARENT OR CUSTODIAN OF THE CHILD.
- 10 (C) IF THE PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD HAVE NOT BEEN TERMI-
- 11 NATED, THE CHILD'S PARENTS.
- 12 (D) IF THE CHILD HAS A GUARDIAN, THE GUARDIAN FOR THE
- 13 CHILD.
- 14 (E) IF THE CHILD HAS A GUARDIAN AD LITEM, THE GUARDIAN AD
- 15 LITEM FOR THE CHILD.
- 16 (F) IF TRIBAL AFFILIATION HAS BEEN DETERMINED, THE ELECTED
- 17 LEADER OF THE INDIAN TRIBE.
- 18 (G) THE ATTORNEY FOR THE CHILD.
- 19 (H) IF THE CHILD IS 11 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, THE CHILD.
- 20 (I) OTHER PERSONS AS THE COURT MAY DIRECT.
- 21 (5) AT A REVIEW HEARING UNDER SUBSECTION (3), THE COURT
- 22 SHALL REVIEW ON THE RECORD THE COMPLIANCE WITH THE CASE SERVICE
- 23 PLAN PREPARED PURSUANT TO SECTION 9630D IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:
- 24 (A) SERVICES PROVIDED OR OFFERED TO THE CHILD AND HIS OR HER
- 25 PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN AND WHETHER THE PARENT, GUARDIAN,
- 26 OR CUSTODIAN HAS COMPLIED WITH AND BENEFITED FROM THOSE
- 27 SERVICES.

- 1 (B) VISITATION WITH THE CHILD. IF VISITATION DID NOT OCCUR
- 2 OR WAS INFREQUENT, THE COURT SHALL DETERMINE WHY VISITATION DID
- 3 NOT OCCUR OR WAS INFREQUENT.
- 4 (6) AFTER REVIEW OF THE CASE SERVICE PLAN, THE COURT SHALL
- 5 DETERMINE THE EXTENT OF PROGRESS MADE TOWARD ALLEVIATING OR MITI-
- 6 GATING THE CONDITIONS THAT CAUSED THE CHILD TO BE PLACED IN
- 7 FOSTER CARE OR THAT CAUSED THE CHILD TO REMAIN IN FOSTER CARE.
- 8 THE COURT MAY MODIFY ANY PART OF THE CASE SERVICE PLAN INCLUDING,
  - 9 BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:
- 10 (A) PRESCRIBING ADDITIONAL SERVICES THAT ARE NECESSARY TO
- 11 RECTIFY THE CONDITIONS THAT CAUSED THE CHILD TO BE PLACED IN
- 12 FOSTER CARE OR TO REMAIN IN FOSTER CARE.
- 13 (B) PRESCRIBING ADDITIONAL ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN BY THE
- 14 PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN TO RECTIFY THE CONDITIONS THAT
- 15 CAUSED THE CHILD TO BE PLACED IN FOSTER CARE OR TO REMAIN IN
- 16 FOSTER CARE.
- 17 (7) AT A REVIEW HEARING UNDER SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE
- 18 COURT SHALL DETERMINE THE CONTINUING NECESSITY AND APPROPRIATE-
- 19 NESS OF THE CHILD'S PLACEMENT AND SHALL ORDER THE RETURN OF THE
- 20 CHILD TO THE CUSTODY OF THE PARENT, CONTINUE THE DISPOSITIONAL
- 21 ORDER, MODIFY THE DISPOSITIONAL ORDER, OR ENTER A NEW DISPOSI-
- 22 TIONAL ORDER.
- 23 (8) IF IN A PROCEEDING UNDER SECTION 9602(3) A CHILD IS
- 24 PLACED IN FOSTER CARE, THE COURT SHALL DETERMINE AT THE DISPOSI-
- 25 TIONAL HEARING AND EACH REVIEW HEARING WHETHER THE CAUSE SHOULD
- 26 BE REVIEWED BEFORE THE NEXT REVIEW HEARING REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION

- 1 (3). IN MAKING THIS DETERMINATION, THE COURT SHALL CONSIDER, BUT
  - 2 NOT BE LIMITED TO, BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
  - 3 (A) THE PARENT'S ABILITY AND MOTIVATION TO MAKE NECESSARY
  - 4 CHANGES TO PROVIDE A SUITABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE CHILD.
  - 5 (B) WHETHER THERE IS A REASONABLE LIKELIHOOD THAT THE CHILD
  - 6 MAY BE RETURNED TO HIS OR HER HOME PRIOR TO THE NEXT REVIEW HEAR-
  - 7 ING REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (3).
  - 8 (9) UNLESS WAIVED, IF NOT LESS THAN 7 DAYS' NOTICE IS GIVEN
  - 9 TO ALL PARTIES PRIOR TO THE RETURN OF A CHILD TO HIS OR HER HOME,
  - 10 AND NO PARTY REQUESTS A HEARING WITHIN THE 7 DAYS, THE COURT MAY
  - 11 ISSUE AN ORDER WITHOUT A HEARING PERMITTING THE AGENCY TO RETURN
  - 12 THE CHILD TO HIS OR HER HOME.
  - 13 (10) AN AGENCY REPORT FILED WITH THE COURT SHALL BE ACCESSI-
  - 14 BLE TO ALL PARTIES TO THE ACTION AND SHALL BE OFFERED INTO
  - 15 EVIDENCE.
  - 16 SEC. 9632. (1) IF A CHILD REMAINS IN FOSTER CARE AND PAREN-
  - 17 TAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD HAVE NOT BEEN TERMINATED, THE COURT SHALL
  - 18 CONDUCT A PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARING NOT MORE THAN 364 DAYS
  - 19 AFTER ENTRY OF THE ORDER OF DISPOSITION AND EVERY 364 DAYS THERE-
  - 20 AFTER DURING THE CONTINUATION OF THE CHILD'S PLACEMENT IN FOSTER
  - 21 CARE. A PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARING MAY BE COMBINED WITH A
  - 22 REVIEW HEARING HELD UNDER SECTION 9631(3).
  - 23 (2) A PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARING SHALL BE CONDUCTED TO
  - 24 REVIEW THE STATUS OF THE CHILD AND THE PROGRESS BEING MADE TOWARD
  - 25 THE CHILD'S RETURN HOME OR TO SHOW WHY THE CHILD SHOULD NOT BE
  - 26 PLACED IN THE PERMANENT CUSTODY OF THE COURT.

- 1 (3) NOT LESS THAN 14 DAYS BEFORE A PERMANENCY PLANNING
- 2 HEARING, NOTICE OF THE HEARING AND A STATEMENT OF THE PURPOSES OF
- 3 THE HEARING SHALL BE SERVED UPON ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 4 (A) THE AGENCY. THE AGENCY SHALL ADVISE THE CHILD OF THE
- 5 HEARING IF THE CHILD IS 11 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.
- 6 (B) THE FOSTER PARENT OR CUSTODIAN OF THE CHILD.
- 7 (C) IF THE PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD HAVE NOT BEEN TERMI-
- 8 NATED, THE CHILD'S PARENTS.
- 9 (D) IF THE CHILD HAS A GUARDIAN, THE GUARDIAN FOR THE 10 CHILD.
- (E) IF THE CHILD HAS A GUARDIAN AD LITEM, THE GUARDIAN AD
- 12 LITEM FOR THE CHILD.
- 13 (F) IF TRIBAL AFFILIATION HAS BEEN DETERMINED, THE ELECTED
- 14 LEADER OF THE INDIAN TRIBE.
- 15 (G) THE ATTORNEY FOR THE CHILD.
- 16 (H) IF THE CHILD IS 11 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, THE CHILD.
- 17 (I) OTHER PERSONS AS THE COURT MAY DIRECT.
- 18 (4) IF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD HAVE NOT BEEN TERMINATED
- 19 AND THE COURT DETERMINES AT A PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARING THAT
- 20 THE RETURN OF THE CHILD TO HIS OR HER PARENT WOULD NOT CAUSE A
- 21 SUBSTANTIAL RISK OF HARM TO THE CHILD'S LIFE, PHYSICAL HEALTH, OR
- 22 MENTAL WELL-BEING, THE COURT SHALL ORDER THE CHILD RETURNED TO
- 23 HIS OR HER PARENT. IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE RETURN OF THE
- 24 CHILD WOULD CAUSE A SUBSTANTIAL RISK OF HARM TO THE CHILD, THE
- 25 COURT SHALL VIEW THE FAILURE OF THE PARENT TO SUBSTANTIALLY
- 26 COMPLY WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CASE SERVICE PLAN
- 27 PREPARED UNDER SECTION 9630D AS EVIDENCE THAT RETURN OF THE CHILD

- 1 TO HIS OR HER PARENT WOULD CAUSE A SUBSTANTIAL RISK OF HARM TO
- 2 THE CHILD'S LIFE, PHYSICAL HEALTH, OR MENTAL WELL-BEING.
- 3 (5) IF THE COURT DETERMINES AT A PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARING
- 4 THAT THE CHILD SHOULD NOT BE RETURNED TO HIS OR HER PARENT, THE
- 5 AGENCY SHALL INITIATE PROCEEDINGS TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS TO
- 6 THE CHILD NOT LATER THAN 42 DAYS AFTER THE PERMANENCY PLANNING
- 7 HEARING, UNLESS THE AGENCY DEMONSTRATES TO THE COURT THAT INITI-
- 8 ATING THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD IS CLEARLY
- 9 NOT IN THE CHILD'S BEST INTERESTS.
- 10 (6) IF THE AGENCY DEMONSTRATES UNDER SUBSECTION (5) THAT
- 11 INITIATING THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD IS
- 12 CLEARLY NOT IN THE CHILD'S BEST INTERESTS, THEN THE COURT SHALL
- 13 ORDER EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVE PLACEMENT PLANS:
- 14 (A) IF THE COURT DETERMINES THAT OTHER PERMANENT PLACEMENT
- 15 IS NOT POSSIBLE, THE CHILD'S PLACEMENT IN FOSTER CARE SHALL CON-
- 16 TINUE FOR A LIMITED PERIOD TO BE STATED BY THE COURT.
- 17 (B) IF THE COURT DETERMINES THAT IT IS IN THE CHILD'S BEST
- 18 INTERESTS, THE CHILD'S PLACEMENT IN FOSTER CARE SHALL CONTINUE ON
- 19 A LONG-TERM BASIS.
- 20 SEC. 9632A. (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (4), IF A
- 21 CHILD REMAINS IN FOSTER CARE IN THE TEMPORARY CUSTODY OF THE
- 22 COURT FOLLOWING A REVIEW HEARING UNDER SECTION 9631(3) OR A PER-
- 23 MANENCY PLANNING HEARING UNDER SECTION 9632, UPON PETITION OF THE
- 24 PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, CHILD, OR AGENCY, THE COURT SHALL HOLD A
- 25 HEARING TO DETERMINE IF THE PARENTAL RIGHTS TO A CHILD SHOULD BE
- 26 TERMINATED AND, IF ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD ARE
- 27 TERMINATED, THE CHILD PLACED IN PERMANENT CUSTODY OF THE COURT.

- 1 (2) NOT LESS THAN 14 DAYS BEFORE A HEARING TO DETERMINE IF
- 2 THE PARENTAL RIGHTS TO A CHILD SHOULD BE TERMINATED, NOTICE OF
- 3 THE HEARING SHALL BE SERVED UPON ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 4 (A) THE AGENCY. THE AGENCY SHALL ADVISE THE CHILD OF THE
- 5 HEARING IF THE CHILD IS 11 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.
- 6 (B) THE FOSTER PARENT OR CUSTODIAN OF THE CHILD.
- 7 (C) THE CHILD'S PARENTS.
- 8 (D) IF THE CHILD HAS A GUARDIAN, THE GUARDIAN FOR THE
- 9 CHILD.
- 10 (E) IF THE CHILD HAS A GUARDIAN AD LITEM, THE GUARDIAN AD
- 11 LITEM FOR THE CHILD.
- 12 (F) IF TRIBAL AFFILIATION HAS BEEN DETERMINED, THE ELECTED
- 13 LEADER OF THE INDIAN TRIBE.
- (G) THE ATTORNEY FOR THE CHILD.
- 15 (H) IF THE CHILD IS 11 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, THE CHILD.
- 16 (I) THE PROSECUTOR.
- 17 (3) THE COURT MAY TERMINATE THE PARENTAL RIGHTS OF A PARENT
- 18 TO A CHILD IF THE COURT FINDS, BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE,
- 19 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 20 (A) THE CHILD HAS BEEN DESERTED UNDER EITHER OF THE FOLLOW-
- 21 ING CIRCUMSTANCES:
- 22 (i) IF THE PARENT OF A CHILD IS UNIDENTIFIABLE AND HAS
- 23 DESERTED THE CHILD FOR 28 OR MORE DAYS AND HAS NOT SOUGHT CUSTODY
- 24 OF THE CHILD DURING THAT PERIOD. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SEC-
- 25 TION, A PARENT IS UNIDENTIFIABLE IF THE PARENT'S IDENTITY CANNOT
- 26 BE ASCERTAINED AFTER REASONABLE EFFORTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO LOCATE
- 27 AND IDENTIFY THE PARENT.

- 1 (ii) THE PARENT OF A CHILD HAS DESERTED THE CHILD FOR 91 OR 2 MORE DAYS AND HAS NOT SOUGHT CUSTODY OF THE CHILD DURING THAT 3 PERIOD.
- 4 (B) THE CHILD OR A SIBLING OF THE CHILD HAS SUFFERED PHYSI-
- 5 CAL INJURY OR PHYSICAL OR SEXUAL ABUSE UNDER EITHER OF THE FOL-
- 6 LOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:
- 7 (i) A PARENT'S ACT CAUSED THE PHYSICAL INJURY OR PHYSICAL OR
- 8 SEXUAL ABUSE AND THE COURT FINDS THAT THERE IS A REASONABLE LIKE-
- 9 LIHOOD THAT THE CHILD WILL SUFFER FROM INJURY OR ABUSE IN THE
- 10 FORESEEABLE FUTURE IF PLACED IN THE PARENT'S HOME.
- 11 (ii) A PARENT WHO HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PREVENT THE PHYSI-
- 12 CAL INJURY OR PHYSICAL OR SEXUAL ABUSE FAILED TO DO SO AND THE
- 13 COURT FINDS THAT THERE IS A REASONABLE LIKELIHOOD THAT THE CHILD
- 14 WILL SUFFER INJURY OR ABUSE IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE IF PLACED
- 15 IN THE PARENT'S HOME.
- 16 (C) THE PARENT WAS A RESPONDENT IN A PROCEEDING BROUGHT
- 17 UNDER THIS CHAPTER, 182 OR MORE DAYS HAVE ELAPSED SINCE THE ISSU-
- 18 ANCE OF AN INITIAL DISPOSITIONAL ORDER, AND THE COURT, BY CLEAR
- 19 AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE, FINDS EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 20 (i) THE CONDITIONS THAT LED TO THE ADJUDICATION CONTINUE TO
- 21 EXIST AND THERE IS NO REASONABLE LIKELIHOOD THAT THE CONDITIONS
- 22 WILL BE RECTIFIED WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME CONSIDERING THE AGE OF
- 23 THE CHILD.
- 24 (ii) OTHER CONDITIONS EXIST THAT CAUSE THE CHILD TO COME
- 25 WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT, THE PARENT HAS RECEIVED
- 26 RECOMMENDATIONS TO RECTIFY THOSE CONDITIONS, THE CONDITIONS HAVE
- 27 NOT BEEN RECTIFIED BY THE PARENT AFTER THE PARENT HAS RECEIVED

- 1 NOTICE, A HEARING, AND BEEN GIVEN A REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO
- 2 RECTIFY THE CONDITIONS, AND THERE IS NO REASONABLE LIKELIHOOD
- 3 THAT THE CONDITIONS WILL BE RECTIFIED WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME
- 4 CONSIDERING THE AGE OF THE CHILD.
- 5 (D) THE PARENT, WITHOUT REGARD TO INTENT, FAILS TO PROVIDE
- 6 PROPER CARE OR CUSTODY FOR THE CHILD AND THERE IS NO REASONABLE
- 7 EXPECTATION THAT THE PARENT WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE PROPER CARE
- 8 AND CUSTODY WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME CONSIDERING THE AGE OF THE
- 9 CHILD.
- 10 (E) THE PARENT IS IMPRISONED FOR SUCH A PERIOD THAT THE
- 11 CHILD WILL BE DEPRIVED OF A NORMAL HOME FOR A PERIOD EXCEEDING 2
- 12 YEARS, AND THE PARENT HAS NOT PROVIDED FOR THE CHILD'S PROPER
- 13 CARE AND CUSTODY, AND THERE IS NO REASONABLE EXPECTATION THAT THE
- 14 PARENT WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE PROPER CARE AND CUSTODY WITHIN A
- 15 REASONABLE TIME CONSIDERING THE AGE OF THE CHILD.
- 16 (F) PARENTAL RIGHTS TO 1 OR MORE SIBLINGS OF THE CHILD HAVE
- 17 BEEN TERMINATED DUE TO SERIOUS AND CHRONIC NEGLECT OR PHYSICAL OR
- 18 SEXUAL ABUSE, AND PRIOR ATTEMPTS TO REHABILITATE THE PARENTS HAVE
- 19 BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL.
- 20 (4) IF A PETITION TO TERMINATE THE PARENTAL RIGHTS TO A
- 21 CHILD IS FILED, THE COURT MAY ENTER AN ORDER TERMINATING PARENTAL
- 22 RIGHTS UNDER SUBSECTION (3) AT THE INITIAL DISPOSITIONAL
- 23 HEARING.
- 24 SEC. 9632B. (1) IF A CHILD REMAINS IN FOSTER CARE FOLLOWING
- 25 THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD, THE COURT SHALL
- 26 CONDUCT A HEARING NOT MORE THAN 182 DAYS AFTER THE TERMINATION OF
- 27 PARENTAL RIGHTS AND AT LEAST EVERY 182 DAYS THEREAFTER TO REVIEW

- 1 THE CHILD'S PLACEMENT IN FOSTER CARE AND THE PROGRESS BEING MADE
- 2 TOWARD THE CHILD'S ADOPTION OR OTHER PERMANENT PLACEMENT.
- 3 (2) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A COURT THAT IS PROVIDING
- 4 TO A CHILD WITHIN THE COURT'S JURISDICTION UNDER SECTION 9602(3)
- 5 FOSTER CARE HOME SERVICES SUBJECT TO THE COURT'S SUPERVISION.
- 6 HOWEVER, THIS SECTION DOES APPLY TO THAT COURT BEGINNING
- 7 JANUARY 1, 1990 OR WHEN THE COURT IS NO LONGER PROVIDING TO A
- 8 CHILD WITHIN THE COURT'S JURISDICTION UNDER SECTION 9602(3)
- 9 FOSTER CARE HOME SERVICES SUBJECT TO THE COURT'S SUPERVISION,
- 10 WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST.
- 11 SEC. 9633. IN EACH CASE INVOLVING CUSTODY THE COURT SHALL
- 12 STATE IN THE ORDER FOR DISPOSITION OR A SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF
- 13 DISPOSITION WHETHER THE CHILD IS PLACED IN THE TEMPORARY OR PER-
- 14 MANENT CUSTODY OF THE COURT. IF THE CHILD IS PLACED IN THE TEM-
- 15 PORARY CUSTODY OF THE COURT, A SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF DISPOSITION
- 16 PROVIDING PERMANENT CUSTODY OR CONTAINING ANY OTHER ORDER OF DIS-
- 17 POSITION SHALL NOT BE MADE EXCEPT AT A HEARING HELD AFTER ISSU-
- 18 ANCE OF A SUMMONS OR NOTICE AS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 9622 AND 9623
- 19 OR AT A REHEARING HELD AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 9631. IF THE CHILD
- 20 IS PLACED IN THE PERMANENT CUSTODY OF THE COURT, THE PARENTAL
- 21 RIGHTS ARE TERMINATED, THOUGH THE RIGHTS MAY BE REINSTATED BY A
- 22 SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF DISPOSITION AFTER REHEARING IS HELD PURSU-
- 23 ANT TO SECTION 9636.
- 24 SEC. 9636. AN INTERESTED PERSON, WHILE THE CHILD IS UNDER
- 25 THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT, MAY FILE A PETITION, IN WRITING
- 26 AND UNDER OATH, FOR A REHEARING UPON THE MATTERS COMING WITHIN
- 27 THIS CHAPTER. AT THE REHEARING, THE COURT MAY AFFIRM, MODIFY, OR

- 1 SET ASIDE ANY ORDER REVIEWED. IF PARENTAL RIGHTS HAVE BEEN
- 2 TERMINATED BY AN ORDER ENTERED IN THE PROCEEDINGS AND CUSTODY OF
- 3 THE CHILD HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM THE PARENTS, GUARDIAN, OR OTHER
- 4 PERSON, THE PETITION FOR REHEARING SHALL BE FILED NOT LATER THAN
- 5 20 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF ENTRY OF THE ORDER TERMINATING PARENTAL
- 6 RIGHTS, AND THE PETITION SHALL SET FORTH IN DETAIL THE PLACE,
- 7 MANNER, AND ALL OTHER INFORMATION REQUESTED BY THE COURT IN REF-
- 8 ERENCE TO THE PROPOSED FUTURE CUSTODY OF THE CHILD. THE REHEAR-
- 9 ING SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
- 10 CHAPTER RELATIVE TO THE CONDUCT OF ORIGINAL HEARINGS. AT ANY
- 11 TIME THE COURT MAY ENTER AN ORDER FOR SUPPLEMENTAL DISPOSITION AS
- 12 LONG AS THE CHILD REMAINS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT.
- 13 SEC. 9638. A DISPOSITION OF A CHILD UNDER THIS CHAPTER OR
- 14 EVIDENCE GIVEN IN A CASE SHALL NOT BE LAWFUL OR PROPER EVIDENCE
- 15 AGAINST THE CHILD FOR ANY PURPOSE, IN A CIVIL, CRIMINAL, OR OTHER
- 16 CAUSE OR PROCEEDING IN A COURT, EXCEPT IN A SUBSEQUENT CASE
- 17 AGAINST THE SAME CHILD UNDER THIS CHAPTER.
- 18 SEC. 9640. (1) WHEN THE COURT PLACES A CHILD IN A PUBLIC OR
- 19 PRIVATE INSTITUTION OR AGENCY, THE COURT SHALL TRANSMIT, WITH THE
- 20 ORDER OF DISPOSITION OR SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF DISPOSITION, A SUM-
- 21 MARY OF ITS INFORMATION CONCERNING THE CHILD. THE CHILD MAY BE
- 22 PLACED IN THE CARE OF A COUNTY AGENT, PROBATION OFFICER, JUVENILE
- 23 MATRON, OR SOME OTHER RELIABLE PERSON DESIGNATED BY THE COURT TO
- 24 BE CONVEYED TO THE INSTITUTION. THE SAME COMPENSATION SHALL BE
- 25 PAID BY THE STATE FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF THE CHILD AS IS PAID
- 26 TO COUNTY AGENTS IN LIKE CASES.

- 1 (2) WHEN THE COURT PLACES A CHILD IN A PRIVATE OR
- 2 INCORPORATED INSTITUTION OR AGENCY, THE COURT SHALL REQUIRE A
- 3 PROGRESS REPORT CONCERNING THE CHILD WHICH SHALL BE MADE NOT LESS
- 4 THAN ONCE EVERY 6 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE ORDER.
- 5 SEC. 9642. EXPENSES INCURRED IN CARRYING OUT THIS CHAPTER,
- 6 EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE MAY BE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED BY LAW, SHALL BE
- 7 PAID UPON THE ORDER OF THE COURT BY THE COUNTY TREASURER FROM THE
- 8 GENERAL FUND OF THE COUNTY.
- 9 SEC. 9645. THE COURT MAY PUNISH FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT, PUR-
- 10 SUANT TO CHAPTER 17, A PERSON WHO WILLFULLY VIOLATES, NEGLECTS,
- 11 OR REFUSES TO OBEY AND PERFORM AN ORDER OR PROCESS THE COURT HAS
- 12 MADE OR ISSUED IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF THIS CHAPTER.
- 13 SEC. 9647. (1) THE COURT SHALL MAINTAIN RECORDS OF ALL
- 14 CASES BROUGHT BEFORE IT AND AS PROVIDED IN THE JUVENILE DIVERSION
- 15 ACT, ACT NO. 13 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1988, BEING SECTIONS
- 16 722.821 TO 722.831 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS. EXCEPT AS OTH-
- 17 ERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, RECORDS OF A CASE BROUGHT
- 18 BEFORE THE COURT SHALL BE OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. DIVERSION
- 19 RECORDS SHALL BE OPEN ONLY AS PROVIDED IN ACT NO. 13 OF THE
- 20 PUBLIC ACTS OF 1988. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION 48
- 21 OF THE CRIME VICTIM'S RIGHTS ACT, ACT NO. 87 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS
- 22 OF 1985, BEING SECTION 780.798 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, IF
- 23 THE HEARING OF A CASE BROUGHT BEFORE THE COURT IS CLOSED PURSUANT
- 24 TO SECTION 9627, THE RECORDS OF THAT HEARING SHALL BE OPEN ONLY
- 25 BY ORDER OF THE COURT TO PERSONS HAVING A LEGITIMATE INTEREST.
- 26 (2) WHENEVER THE COURT ISSUES AN ORDER IN RESPECT TO
- 27 PAYMENTS BY A PARENT UNDER SECTION 9629(2), A COPY SHALL BE

- 1 MAILED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY. ACTION TAKEN AGAINST
- 2 PARENTS OR ADULTS SHALL NOT BE RELEASED FOR PUBLICITY UNLESS THE
- 3 PARENTS OR ADULTS ARE ADJUDGED GUILTY OF CONTEMPT OF COURT. THE
- 4 COURT SHALL FURNISH THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES WITH
- 5 REPORTS OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE JUVENILE DIVISION IN A FORM
- 6 AS SHALL BE RECOMMENDED BY THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF PROBATE
- 7 AND JUVENILE COURT JUDGES. COPIES OF THESE REPORTS SHALL, UPON
- 8 REQUEST, BE MADE AVAILABLE TO OTHER STATE DEPARTMENTS BY THE
- 9 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES.
- 10 Section 2. The following acts and parts of acts are
- 11 repealed:
- 12 (a) Act No. 288 of the Public Acts of 1939, being
- 13 sections 710.21 to 712A.28 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 14 (b) Act No. 84 of the Public Acts of 1949, being
- 15 sections 720.601 to 720.608 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 16 Section 3. (1) The files, records, and pending cases of the
- 17 circuit or probate court concerning cases over which jurisdiction
- 18 is transferred to the domestic relations court by this amendatory
- 19 act shall be transferred to the domestic relations court pursuant
- 20 to rules prescribed by the supreme court. The domestic relations
- 21 court shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine all cases
- 22 transferred under this section.
- 23 (2) An order of the probate or circuit court concerning a
- 24 case over which jurisdiction is transferred to the domestic rela-
- 25 tions court by this amendatory act entered before
- 26 January 1, 1990, in conformity with the law then in effect, is

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1 not affected or impaired by the repeal provisions of enacting
2 section 2 of this amendatory act.
       Section 4. This amendatory act shall take effect
4 January 1, 1990.
       Section 5. This amendatory act shall not take effect unless
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6 all of the following bills of the 85th Legislature are enacted
7 into law:
       (a) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4570 (request
9 no. 01633'89).
      (b) Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 4571 (request
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11 no. 01634'89).
       (c) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4572 (request
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13 no. 01635'89).
      (d) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4573 (request
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15 no. 01636'89).
      (e) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4574 (request
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17 no. 01637'89).
       (f) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4575 (request
19 no. 01638'89).
       (g) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. ____ (request
20
21 no. 01639'89).
       (h) Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 4577 (request
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23 no. 01640'89).
        (i) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4578 (request
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25 no. 01641'89).
       (j) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4579 (request
26
27 no. 01642'89).
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1 (k) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4580 (request
2 no. 01643'89).
   (1) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4581 (request
4 no. 01644'89).
  (m) Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 4582 (request
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6 no. 01645'89).
      (n) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4583 (request
8 no. 01646'89).
      (o) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4584 (request
10 no. 01647'89).
      (p) Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 4585 (request
12 no. 01648'89).
  (q) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4586 (request
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14 no. 01649'89).
      (r) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4587 (request
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16 no. 01650'89).
  (s) Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 4588 (request
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18 no. 01651'89).
  (t) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4589 (request
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20 no. 01652'89).
      (u) Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 4590 (request
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22 no. 01653'89).
      (v) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4591 (request
24 no. 01654'89).
  (w) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. ^{4592} (request
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26 no. 01655'89).
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1 (x) Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4593 (request 2 no. 01656'89).

3 (y) Senate Bill No. \_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4594 (request 4 no. 01657'89).

5 (z) Senate Bill No. \_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4595 (request 6 no. 01658'89).

7 (aa) Senate Bill No. \_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4568 (request 8 no. 01659'89 a).

9 (bb) Senate Bill No. \_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4569 (request 10 no. 01659'89 b).

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