



THE FORTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MICHIGAN

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40<sup>th</sup> CIRCUIT COURT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2004-02<sup>03</sup>

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

**IT IS ORDERED:**

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

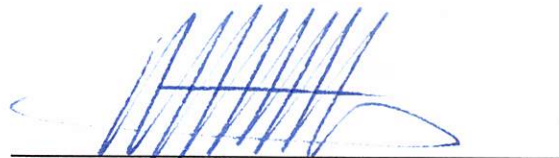
1. **Out of County Hearings:** When an individual is arrested in another circuit pursuant to a bench warrant issued by this court, and the bond review hearing will be conducted by a hearing officer in the other circuit, the Friend of the Court in this circuit may present evidence by any of the following methods:
  - a. Telephonic communications.
  - b. Audio visual communications generated by this circuit that are compatible with "STANDARDS FOR USE OF INTERACTIVE VIDEO TECHNOLOGY IN CONDUCTING INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT, CHILD PROTECTIVE, AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY HEARINGS IN PILOT COURTS" issued by the State Court Administrator.
  - c. Facsimile equipment.
  - d. E-mail may be used to transmit documentary evidence. Documents will be generated in Microsoft Word.
  - e. The MiCSES may be used to transmit information concerning the case.
  
2. **In County Hearings:** When an individual is arrested in this circuit pursuant to a bench warrant issued by another circuit court and the bond review hearing will be held in this circuit, the judge or hearing officer in this circuit will receive evidence by any of the following methods:
  - a. Telephonic communications.
  - b. Audio visual communications generated by this circuit that are compatible

with "STANDARDS FOR USE OF INTERACTIVE VIDEO TECHNOLOGY IN CONDUCTING INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT, CHILD PROTECTIVE, AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY HEARINGS IN PILOT COURTS" issued by the State Court Administrator.

- c. Facsimile equipment.
  - d. E-mail may be used to transmit documentary evidence. Documents will be ~~generated~~ in Microsoft Word.  
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  - e. Information generated locally from MiCSES.
3. **Admissibility:** Pursuant to MRE 1101, the evidence provided pursuant to subsection 2 is admissible in bond proceedings.
4. **Contact:** An officer of the court acting in another circuit can make arrangements for hearings covered by this order by contacting Emil Joseph, Lapeer County Friend of the Court at 810-667-0377 or his successor or appointee. The Friend of the Court shall cooperate with officials of other circuits to implement this order.

Effective Date: April 30, 2004

Date: April 29, 2004

  
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Nick O. Holowka  
Chief Judge