



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CHAMBERS OF
AARON MENT, JUDGE
CHIEF COURT ADMINISTRATOR

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HARTFORD, CT 06106

August 22, 1990

MEMO TO: Administrative Judges
Presiding Judges

SUBJECT: Regional Family Trial Docket

I am pleased to report to you the formation of the Regional Family Trial Docket (RFTD). The RFTD will be located in the New Haven Judicial District. It will commence September 4, 1990, and will hear only contested custody matters, both dissolution trials and post judgment motions.

It will primarily serve the Judicial Districts of Ansonia/Milford, New Haven at Meriden, Middlesex and Waterbury. Time permitting it will also serve the Judicial Districts of Danbury, New Haven, Fairfield and New London.

Enclosed is a fact sheet that indicates much of the criteria for referring a matter to the RFTD. It will be the responsibility of the Presiding Judge of the Family Court in the various Judicial Districts to screen the cases and make such referrals. The judge sitting in the RFTD will, however, have the final say.

Judge Frederick A. Freedman will be the first judge assigned to the RFTD and Judge Freedman, William Sadek, Deputy Director or

David Iaccarino, Family Court Manager, will be in touch with you to commence the referral process.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please call Judge Freedman (789-7922), William Sadek (722-1640) or David Iaccarino (722-1640).



Aaron Ment, Judge
Chief Court Administrator

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Enclosure

REGIONAL FAMILY TRIAL DOCKET FACT SHEET

1) CASE DOCKET NUMBER: _____ JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF: _____
CASE CAPTION: _____ VS. REFERRING JUDGE: _____
_____ TEL.# _____

2) PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY: _____ TEL.# _____
_____ TEL.# _____
DEFENDANT'S ATTORNEY: _____ TEL.# _____
_____ TEL.# _____
CHILD(REN)'S ATTORNEY: _____ TEL.# _____
_____ TEL.# _____

3) TYPE OF MATTER
 CONTESTED DISSOLUTION
 RETURN DATE _____
 DATE CLAIMED FOR CONTESTED TRIAL LIST _____
 POST JUDGMENT MODIFICATION OF CUSTODY
 OTHER _____

4) HAS A FAMILY RELATIONS CASE STUDY BEEN COMPLETED? YES; NO
DATE OF COMPLETION: _____
PREPARED BY: _____

5) HAVE ALL OTHER COURT ORDERED EVALUATIONS/STUDIES BEEN COMPLETED? YES; NO; NOT APPLICABLE

6) HAS ALL DISCOVERY BEEN COMPLETED? YES; NO

7) JUDGE'S ESTIMATE OF LENGTH OF TRIAL/HEARING TIME: _____
A) NUMBER OF WITNESSES FOR THE PLAINTIFF: _____
B) NUMBER OF WITNESSES FOR THE DEFENDENT: _____
C) NUMBER OF WITNESSES FOR THE CHILD(REN): _____
D) NUMBER OF WITNESSES FOR INTERVENING PARTIES: _____

8) ARE ALL WITNESSES AVAILABLE? IF NOT, PLEASE EXPLAIN: _____

9) HAS THIS MATTER BEEN FULLY PRE-TRIED? YES; NO
ARE FURTHER PRE-TRIALS LIKELY TO BE PRODUCTIVE? YES; NO
COMMENTS, IF ANY: _____

10) HAVE ALL ATTORNEYS BEEN ADVISED OF THE PROCEDURES OF THE REGIONAL FAMILY TRIAL DOCKET? YES; NO

11) SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TRIAL/HEARING OF THIS MATTER (i.e. INTERPRETERS, SECURITY)?
 YES; NO IF "YES", EXPLAIN: _____

12) ARE THERE ANY CIRCUMSTANCES CONCERNING THIS MATTER THAT WOULD WARRANT IT RECEIVING SPECIAL SCHEDULING?
 YES; NO IF "YES", EXPLAIN: _____

13) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: _____