

THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MICHIGAN

Detroit, Michigan 48226-3413

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2006-10

STATE OF MICHIGAN THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

SUBJECT: TWO-WAY INTERACTIVE VIDEO PROCEEDINGS

This administrative order is issued in accordance with Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Order 2006-7 and the Standards for Use of Interactive Video Technology in Conducting involuntary Commitment, Child Protective, and Juvenile Delinquency Hearings in Pilot Courts. The purpose of this order is to authorize experimental use of two-way interactive video technology to conduct certain specified proceedings in this court between a courtroom and a hospital, mental health facility, jail, detention facility or other placement facility. Prisons, the offices of the Department of Human Services, child-protective workers, and the offices of foster-care workers from the DHS or private agencies with whom the DHS contracts for child foster-care services are among the venues that may be linked to conduct proceedings as authorized by AO 2006-7.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Two-way interactive video equipment shall be installed in the Lincoln Hall of Justice (LHJ) 1025 E. Forest Avenue, Detroit Michigan, 48207 and the Wayne County Juvenile Detention Facility (JDF) preliminary hearing courtroom, 1326 St. Antoine, Detroit, Michigan, 48226. Public viewing of all two-way interactive video proceedings will be made available in the respective courtrooms.
- 2. Matters To Which This Order Applies.
 - a. Preliminary hearings and review hearings in child-protective proceedings.
 - b. Preliminary hearings held in juvenile-delinquency proceedings to satisfy the requirements or subrule 3.935(A)(1) of the Michigan Court Rules.
 - c. Post-dispositional progress reviews and dispositional review hearings, where the court does not order a more physically restrictive level of placement or more restrictive treatment of the juvenile.

Pursuant to federal grant requirements, the Court agrees to utilize the equipment for the purposes listed in this Order. In the event the use is no longer needed as indicated, the equipment will be used for court purposes only.

- 3. The two-way interactive video equipment shall comply with standards issued by the State Court Administrator's Office as prescribed in the Standards for Use of Interactive Video Technology in Conducting Involuntary Commitment, Child Protective, and Juvenile Delinquency Hearings in Pilot Courts.
- 4. All documents necessary to conduct these proceedings, such as petitions, orders to take/place, etc., may be faxed between the Court and linking facility and shall become part of the court file. The original copy of the document shall be placed in the court file as soon as practicable.

5. Jurist Participation

- a. To allow for full bench participation in the Family Division-Juvenile Section the 7 Judges and 14 referee courtrooms, one conference area, a child interview room in the Lincoln Hall of Justice (LHJ), and the preliminary hearing courtrooms located in the Wayne County Juvenile Detention Facility (JDF) are wired for two-way interactive connectivity for video conferencing access.
- b. Five fully equipped mobile video conferencing units are available by request in the LHJ and a stationary unit is available for proceedings at JDF.
- 6. The Judge/Referee has the sole discretion to terminate or suspend a two-way interactive video proceeding once initiated and to require that the individual subject to the petition be brought physically before the Court.
- 7. Statistics that will assist the State Court Administrator's Office in the assessment of two-way interactive video proceedings will be provided upon request.

Mary Beth Kelly

Chief Judge

Third Judicial Circuit

Dated: SEPTEMBER 29, 2006