

**THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
OF MICHIGAN**

ROBERT J. COLOMBO, JR.
CHIEF JUDGE

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LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2014 – 08

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

**SUBJECT: CONTINUATION OF A SOLUTION ORIENTED DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
PREVENTION COURT**

This Administrative Order rescinds and replaces Local Administrative Order 2011-04. Domestic Relations Judges may continue to refer cases to the Solution Oriented Domestic Violence Prevention Court.

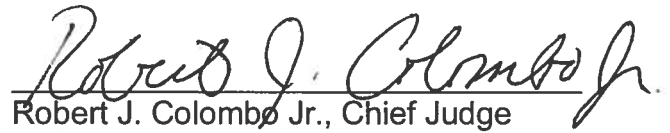
IT IS ORDERED:

1. The Solution Oriented Domestic Violence Prevention Court will provide a comprehensive response to Domestic Relations cases in which there are:
 - a. Allegations of domestic abuse, power, and control issues;
 - b. Intimate partners or former intimate partners; and
 - c. A high risk of recurring violence, stalking, or lethality.
2. Three judges from the Family Division of the Third Judicial Circuit Court shall serve as Solution Oriented Domestic Violence Prevention Court judges. The judges have successfully completed national judicial training in the area of intimate partner domestic violence to enhance their skills in handling civil cases addressing those issues.
3. Cases handled by the Solution Oriented Domestic Violence Prevention Court may include, but are not limited to, the following issues:
 - a. Litigants with substance abuse problems;
 - b. Litigants with mental health concerns;
 - c. Litigants who have previously shown disregard for protective orders;
 - d. Allegations of sexual assaults or forced or coerced sexual contact;

- e. Litigants who have allegedly used weapons to perpetuate the cycle of violence;
or
- f. Litigants with ongoing litigation in criminal court or a past violent history.

The Solution Oriented Domestic Violence Prevention Court will collaborate with various organizations to better serve litigants in cases involved in domestic violence.

Dated: May 13, 2014


Robert J. Colombo Jr., Chief Judge
Third Judicial Circuit Court

Date Approved by SCAO: May 23, 2014