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Standing Order for Domestic, Juvenile, and RFA Cases- Orange Unit Effective: 01/22/2024

Unless prior authorization has been granted parties, counsel, and witnesses shall appear as follows for hearings:

In-Person Domestic:

All evidentiary hearings (temporary or final) All CONTESTED hearings (temporary or final)

Remote Domestic:

Status and pretrial conferences (both video & audio on) All uncontested hearings (both video & audio on)

Juvenile:

Unless otherwise noticed, parties and counsel may appear in-person or remotely for hearings other than merits, contested disposition hearings, termination of parental rights, or initial hearing in a delinquency case.* Any party may by motion request to appear remotely for an in-person hearing or may request that a remote hearing be conducted in-person.

*Merits, contested disposition hearings, and termination of parental rights hearings will be scheduled as in-person only.

Relief From Abuse:

Attorneys, clients, and witnesses may appear either in person or remotely. If a client appears in person, however, the attorney shall also appear in person, absent approval by the court in advance of the hearing. If appearing remotely via WebEx, both video and audio shall be on.

If you wish to appear remotely at a hearing requiring in-person appearance, please review Rule 43.1 of the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure prior to filing a motion to appear remotely.

Please remember that WebEx is a virtual courtroom. Accordingly, proper attire, decorum, and conduct is expected from all participants. No food, beverages (other than water), or gum allowed. You background

can be adjusted on WebEx. No witnesses shall be presented on WebEx with any party until after the witness has testified.

Exhibits which you intend to use in your case in chief shall be filed through Odyssey File and Serve with the court (and copies provided to the other side) at least 7 days prior to the hearing date <u>for both in-</u><u>person and remote hearings.</u> Failure to do so could result in the court excluding them from consideration. The court understands there will be times when an exhibit may be offered at the time of the hearing without being pre-filed. However, this should be the exception, not the rule.

Electronically signed this January 26, 2024 at 1:47 PM pursuant to V.R.E.F. 9(d).

Elizabeth D. Man ____

Elizabeth D. Mann Vermont Superior Court Judge