



STANDING ORDER REGARDING REMOTE AND IN-PERSON HEARINGS

DOMESTIC, RELIEF FROM ABUSE (RFA) AND CHILD IN NEED OF CARE OR SUPERVISION (CHINS) CASES:

Paragraph 5 of Administrative Order 49 concerning remote hearings was deleted effective September 6, 2022. The Reporter's Notes regarding the change provided that remote participation in most family proceedings will for now be governed by existing Rule 43.1 of the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure, until new rules for remote proceedings are issued.

Rule 43.1 provides that a court may require remote participation, and/or that a judge may preside from a remote location, in an order served on all parties. V.R.C.P. 43.1(c)(3) and (4). Until further notice, any Notice of Hearing in a domestic, RFA or CHINS case that specifies that a hearing is remote shall constitute the required notice.

Parties and/or attorneys may appear in person for any remote hearing without requesting permission to do so.

DELINQUENCY AND YOUTHFUL OFFENDER CASES:

Paragraph 5 of Administrative Order 49 concerning remote hearings was deleted effective September 6, 2022. Administrative Order 38 provides that a court may require remote participation, and/or that a judge may preside from a remote location in any nonevidentiary hearing where the presence of the subject youth is not required by law.

Until further notice and subject to the standards set out in Administrative Order 47, any Notice of Hearing in a delinquency case that specifies that a hearing is remote shall constitute the required notice. Parties and/or attorneys may appear in person for any remote hearing without requesting permission to do so.

Evidentiary hearings and any nonevidentiary hearing where the presence of the subject youth is required by law shall be held in person unless the parties agree to a remote hearing.

Electronically signed 10/11/2022 11:19 AM pursuant to V.R.E.F. 9(d).

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "H. Kalfus", written over a horizontal line.

Howard A. Kalfus  
Superior Court Judge