

STATE OF MICHIGAN

IN THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

In re: Appointment of Juvenile
Attorney Referee

Local Administrative Order # 2014-07

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(Rescinds Local Administrative Order #2009-19)

This administrative order is issued in accordance with Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Order 2009-6, effective January 1, 2010. In accordance with MCL 712A.10 and MCR 3.913, and upon approval of the State Court Administrative Office (SCAO),

IT IS ORDERED:

1. The Chief Judge of the 16th Judicial Circuit Court appoints Elizabeth A. Rittinger as attorney referee. The referee's contact information is:

Name	Elizabeth A. Rittinger
Bar Number	P53726
Court Address	Macomb County Circuit Court
	40 N. Main St.
	Mt. Clemens, MI 48043
Phone Number	586-469-5428
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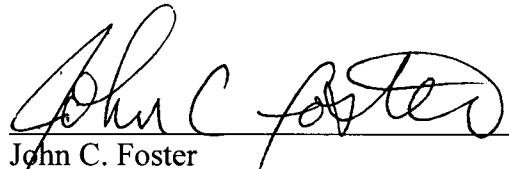
It is the responsibility of the referee to notify the State Court Administrative Office of changes in the individual's contact information during the course of the appointment.

2. Elizabeth Rittinger:
 - a. Will serve at the pleasure of the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court.
 - b. Has taken the constitutional oath of office.
 - c. Is licensed to practice law in Michigan.
3. Referee Elizabeth Rittinger is authorized to perform the following duties pursuant to MCR 3.913 and MCL 712A.10:
 - a. Conduct a preliminary inquiry or preside at hearings under the Juvenile Code, MCL 712A.1, et. seq., and make recommended findings and conclusion except for those hearings specified in MCR 3.912(A), which include the following:

1. a jury trial;
 2. a waiver proceeding under MCR 3.950;
 3. the preliminary examination, trial, and sentencing in a designated case;
 4. a proceeding on the issuance, modification, or termination of a minor personal protection order.
- b. In conducting hearings, a referee shall do all of the following:
1. Administer oaths and examine witnesses;
 2. If a case requires a hearing and the taking of testimony, make a written signed report to the judge containing a summary of the testimony taken and a recommendation for the court's findings and disposition.
- c. In addition, an attorney referee may issue an interim ex parte placement order under MCR 3.963(B).

Effective Date:

Dated: 4-22-14



John C. Foster
Chief Judge
16th Judicial Circuit Court and
Macomb County Probate Courts