## SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 01-12**

## **Amended 6/4/01**

WHEREAS, there is a need in the Family Division for an additional Abuse and Neglect calendar due to the increasing caseload and the additional responsibilities mandated by federal and local statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Court in its effort to expedite the permanent placement of children can implement the creation of an additional Abuse and Neglect calendar immediately; THEREFORE, it is hereby

ORDERED that the following changes be made:

- A third Abuse and Neglect calendar shall be instituted, commencing June 4, 2001.
- All cases filed with the Court before May 21, 2001, which have not been adjudicated by trial or stipulation, will be re-designated to one of the three Abuse and Neglect calendars.
- For all those Abuse and Neglect cases where trial dates were already scheduled as of June 1, 2001, a new list designating to which calendar each case has been assigned will be available on Monday, June 4, 2001.
- All Abuse and Neglect cases where no trial date was scheduled as of 6/1/2001, will be re-designated by the Status Hearing Commissioner when either the trial or the pre-trial hearing date is scheduled.
- Commencing June 11, 2001, the Status Hearing Commissioner shall set only pre-trial hearing dates, with trial dates to be scheduled by the trial judges at the pre-trial hearings.

• Prior to the scheduled pre-trial hearing date, the parties and their attorneys shall be required to meet and complete a joint pre-trial statement, which will be submitted to the trial judge at least two working days before the pre-trial hearing.

SO ORDERED.

BY THE COURT June 4, 2001 Copies to: /S/ Chief Judge Rufus King, III

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