

Minutes
Family Support Magistrate Rules Subcommittee
April 27, 2009

The Family Support Magistrate Rules Subcommittee met in room 607L at the Middlesex Judicial District Courthouse located at 1 Court Street, Middletown, CT on April 27, 2009.

Those in attendance: Hon. Sandra Sosnoff Baird (Co-Chair), Paul Bourdoulous, Jane Grossman, David Mulligan, Hon. Lynda Munro (Co-Chair), Hon. Linda Wihbey, Lauren Vitale, Lucia Ziobro.

Also in attendance were Attorney Joseph Del Ciampo and Johanna Greenfield. Dalia Panke, Deputy Director of Support Enforcement Services attended this meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 2:07 PM by Judge Munro.

1. Review and Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Subcommittee held on April 13, 2009 were approved as amended unanimously by the members in attendance.

2. Continue consideration of items that are not yet in the rules, and rules that may have been postponed for consideration

Chapter 11 (the sections that were not already reviewed due to their having been incorporated into Chapter 25).

Items not incorporated into Chapter 25 that were voted to be included in the proposal for Family Support Magistrate court need to be brought to the attention of the Family Commission for discussion as to whether they should also be included in Chapter 25.

11-3 Yes (unanimous).

11-7 Yes (unanimous).

11-9 No (unanimous).

11-13 (a) & (b) No (unanimous).

(c) Yes, as amended unless after discussion with Court Operations it would be unduly burdensome administratively (unanimous).

11-14 No (unanimous).

11-15 No (unanimous).

11-16 Yes with language changes for Family Support Magistrate court (unanimous).

11-17 No (unanimous).

11-18 No (unanimous).

11-20 & 11-20A need not be addressed because the corresponding family provisions of 25-59 & 25-59A have already been incorporated.

11-21 No (unanimous).

Chapter 17

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17-1 Yes with language changes for Family Support Magistrate court (unanimous).

17-2 No (unanimous).

17-3 No (unanimous).

17-4 Yes with additional language added (unanimous).

17-5 Yes (unanimous).

17-6 through 17-18 No (unanimous).

17-19 Yes (unanimous).

17-20 No (unanimous).

At this point it was also decided that the recommendation is **not** to include 25-51 in the proposal either (unanimous).

17-21 Yes with language changes for Family Support Magistrate court (unanimous).

17-22 through 17-32 No (unanimous).

17-33 (a) Yes (unanimous).

(b) & (c) No (unanimous).

17-34 through 17-40 No (unanimous).

17-41 Yes with language changes for Family Support Magistrate court (unanimous).

17-42 through 17-59 No (unanimous).

Paul Bourdoulous then raised the issue of a possible rule for telephonic hearings. It was decided that Magistrate Wihbey will ask Magistrate Lifshitz to draft something for this. Said draft to be provided a few days before the next meeting.

3. Status of drafting

A draft of the proposed rules was distributed to the members of the Subcommittee by Attorney Del Ciampo. The Subcommittee will review the draft for the next meeting.

4. Such other matters that may come before the Subcommittee

The matter of impleading is postponed for further research regarding the issue of standing by the members of the Subcommittee

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on May 11, 2009 at the same location.

Judge Munro adjourned the meeting at 4:45 p.m.