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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
JUVENILE DIVISION

**REVISED BLANKET ORDER RE:  
CONFIDENTIALITY OF  
JUVENILE CASE FILES AND  
PUBLIC AND MEDIA ACCESS**

On June 9, 2006, the Juvenile Court issued a "Blanket Order re: Confidentiality of Juvenile Case Files and Public and Media Access." Due to an inadvertent error, the June 9, 2006 order did not reflect the correct order of the court.

As a result, the court hereby issues the attached order regarding the confidentiality of juvenile case files, and public and media access to juvenile court proceedings and children under Juvenile Court jurisdiction.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATE: 7/11/06

*[Signature]*  
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Michael Nash  
Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court

## I. CONFIDENTIALITY OF JUVENILE CASE FILES

- (a) Access to Juvenile Case Files. Generally, juvenile case files (see definition in subsection 17.1(a)(1) below) are confidential except for some cases as outlined in this Rule. In addition, certain documents in a juvenile case file may be privileged or confidential because of other state law or federal law or regulation. Juvenile case files may not be obtained or inspected by either civil or criminal subpoena.

Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) section 827 governs access to juvenile case files. "Access" may include the inspection, copying, and/or dissemination of documents or information from the juvenile case file. If a person or agency is not entitled to access, he or she must file a petition with the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court.

- (1) Definition of Juvenile Case File. Pursuant to WIC section 827 and California Rules of Court, Rule 1423(a), a "juvenile case file" includes:

- (A) All documents filed in a Juvenile Court case;
- (B) Court reports prepared by probation officers, social workers or court appointed special advocate (CASA) volunteers;
- (C) Documents made available to probation officers, social workers or CASA volunteers in preparation of a court report;
- (D) Documents relating to a child concerning whom a petition has been filed in Juvenile Court that are maintained in the office files of probation officers, social workers, or CASA volunteers;
- (E) Transcripts, records, or reports relating to matters prepared or released by the court, probation department, or child welfare services program;
- (F) Documents, video or audiotapes, photographs and exhibits admitted into evidence at juvenile court hearings; and
- (G) Documents relating to juvenile contacts or investigations that are maintained by a law enforcement agency, Probation Department, or Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) are part of the juvenile case file even if Juvenile Court proceedings have not been initiated.

Documents that are not considered to be part of a juvenile case file and thus not under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court include, but are not limited to:

- (i) Documents in the file of an attorney for a party;
- (ii) Any document where the subject child has had no contact with law enforcement, DCFS, Probation Department, or the Juvenile Court;

(iii) Documents in the personnel file of a social worker or probation officer.

(2) Persons or Entities Entitled to Inspect Juvenile Case Files. WIC section 827(a)(1) and California Rules of Court, Rule 1423(b) sets forth the persons and entities entitled to inspect juvenile case files without a court order. However, such inspection does not include: (i) court file documents that are placed in confidential envelopes (unless the person seeking to inspect these documents is the subject of the documents or attorney for the subject); or (ii) privileged documents in the DCFS or Probation Department file. Persons or entities that are entitled to inspect juvenile case files pursuant to WIC section 827 include:

(A) Court personnel;

(B) Attorney authorized to prosecute adult criminal or juvenile matters under California law (district attorney, city attorney, city prosecutor), or his or her agent with proper proof of affiliation;

(C) Subject child;

(D) Subject child's parent or legal guardian;

(E) Attorneys for the parties including appellate attorneys representing a party in a Juvenile Court proceeding, or the agents of such attorneys with proper proof of affiliation, and judicial officers, probation officers and law enforcement officers who are actively participating in a criminal or juvenile proceeding involving the child as a party, victim, or witness;

(F) Superintendent or designee of the school district where the child is enrolled or attending school (see also WIC section 828.3);

(G) Member of child protective agencies per Penal Code section 11165.9 (police, sheriff, Probation Department, DCFS);

(H) State Department of Social Services for the purposes delineated in WIC section 827(a)(1)(H);

(I) State Department of Social Services legal staff or special investigators for the purposes delineated in WIC section 827(a)(1)(I);

(J) Members of children's multi-disciplinary teams (see also WIC sections 830 & 830.1, and 18951(d)), and persons or agencies who are currently providing treatment or supervision of the minor including but not limited to:

(i) Physicians, surgeons or other health care providers as defined in Business and Professions Code section 6146(c)(2) and Penal Code section 11165.7(a)(21).

- (ii) Psychotherapists as defined in Evidence Code section 1010.
  - (iii) Sexual assault or domestic violence counselors as defined in Evidence Code sections 1035.2 and 1037.1.
  - (iv) Group home or foster family agency social workers/case managers (see also WIC section 18951(d)(4)).
  - (v) Regional Center consumer service coordinators;
  - (K) Family law judicial officer assigned to hear issues regarding custody and/or visitation, and if actively participating in a family law case: court-appointed counsel for the child, family court mediator, court-appointed evaluator, or person conducting a court-connected child custody evaluation, investigation or assessment pursuant to Family Code section 3111 or 3118;
  - (L) Court-appointed investigator who is actively participating in a guardianship case;
  - (M) Local child support agency for the purpose of establishing paternity and establishing and enforcing child support orders; and
  - (N) Juvenile justice commissions established under WIC section 225.
- (3) Persons or Entities Entitled to Copy Juvenile Case File Documents Without Court Order. Persons or entities that are entitled to inspect a juvenile case file may obtain a copy of the file except for documents that are confidential pursuant to a protective order or documents that are confidential pursuant to other state law or federal law or regulation (e.g. psychotropic medication authorization requests and Evidence Code §730 evaluations). Such documents shall be placed in confidential envelopes.

A protective order may be issued upon the motion of a party or attorney for a party in a juvenile matter to keep certain records confidential (e.g., mental health, medical or educational records, criminal history printouts, or police reports). However, a subject of, or an attorney for a subject of, records under a protective order may obtain a copy of the records regardless of a protective order.

The requesting party shall bear the cost of the copying except for the following persons or entities:

- (A) Children in a pending Juvenile Court matter, and counsel appointed to represent children pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 317 or 634.
- (B) State, county or other governmental agencies, or their counsel.
- (C) Persons who have obtained a waiver of court fees and costs pursuant to California Rules of Court, Rule 985.

- (b) Welfare and Institutions Code Section 827 Petitions. All "Petition for Disclosure of Juvenile Court Records" (Judicial Council Form JV-570) shall be filed at the Juvenile Court:

Superior Court Clerk's Office  
Edmund D. Edelman Children's Court  
201 Centre Plaza Drive  
Monterey Park, CA 91754-2158  
(323) 526-6645  
Fax: (323) 881-3794.

The forms are available at the Clerk's Office or on the Judicial Council website at [www.courtinfo.ca.gov/forms](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/forms). All WIC section 827 petitions will be forwarded to the Juvenile Court Presiding Judge's Office for further action.

- (1) Filing Petition. Petitioner shall submit the original petition for filing. If a conformed copy of the received petition is requested, additional copies with a self-addressed stamped envelope must be included.
- (2) Completing Petition. Failure to complete the petition as specified below may result in the denial of the petition without prejudice.
  - (A) Specific Information Must be Provided. The petition must provide the following information in order to establish good cause for access:
    - (i) The specific records being sought, and
    - (ii) The type of access. If the petitioner seeks to inspect or copy records, the petitioner must state the specific reasons for such access. If the petitioner is seeking to disseminate the records, the petitioner must indicate to whom dissemination is sought and the purpose of the dissemination.
  - (B) Records Including More Than One Child. Where more than one child is included in a juvenile case file, the court may order the names and/or information of the other children redacted as a condition to granting access or copies of the record. Alternatively, the court may prohibit disclosure of the record where redaction is not practical or possible. In such cases, the petitioner may specifically request access to all children.
  - (C) Access for Purposes of Civil Litigation. If access is sought in relation to a pending civil litigation, the petitioner must attach a copy of the complaint, if any.
    - (1) Guidelines for Disclosure of Juvenile Case File Records. Access to juvenile case file records for purposes of civil litigation will be granted consistent with the

guidelines set forth in Navajo Express v. Superior Court of San Mateo County (1986) 186 Cal.App.3d 981.

- (D) Medical, Psychiatric, and Education Records. Except in limited situations where medical, psychiatric, and education records, including Evidence Code section 730 evaluations and psychotropic medication authorization requests, are available to a child's parent, legal guardian, or holder of a child's education rights, such confidential records will be placed in confidential envelopes in the court file and may only be accessed by the subject of the record or his or her attorney. (This is not meant to preclude parties or their attorneys in a proceeding while the case is still pending from obtaining a copy of a report used during the proceedings and previously distributed to all parties during the proceedings.) To obtain access to medical, psychiatric, or education records contained in the juvenile case file, the petitioner must: (1) specifically request such records, and (2) state specific reasons why the records should be disclosed. The Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court or his or her designee must determine if good cause exists for the release of medical, psychiatric, or education records based on the stated reasons.
- (E) Subpoenaed Records. Confidential or privileged records received by subpoena and not used and/or distributed to the parties during the proceedings shall be placed in a separate confidential envelope marked as such. The subpoenaed records shall only be available to the subject of the records and the subject's attorney. Any other access to the subpoenaed records may only be by court order pursuant to WIC §827.
- (F) Child Abuse Reports. Child abuse reports not in the court file are confidential pursuant to Penal Code section 11165 et seq., and can only be disclosed to persons and agencies provided in those sections or by court order. To obtain access to child abuse reports, the petitioner must: (1) specifically request such reports, and (2) state specific reasons why the reports should be disclosed. The Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court or his or her designee must determine if good cause exists for the release of the child abuse reports based on the stated reasons.
- (3) Notice. At least five calendar days before the petition is filed with the court, the petitioner shall serve, or attempt to serve, a copy of the petition on the appropriate parties either personally or by first class mail.

(A) Dependency Proceedings.

- (i) If the petitioner seeks access to juvenile case file records on a child who is currently under the jurisdiction of the Dependency Court, notice of the petition shall be served on: the child if ten years or older, the attorney of record for the child, the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the child, County Counsel, and DCFS.
- (ii) If the petitioner seeks access to juvenile case file records on a child who was a dependent of the Juvenile Court, notice of the petition shall be served on: the

child if ten years or older, the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the child, County Counsel, and DCFS.

- (iii) If the petitioner seeks access to juvenile case file records on a child who has had contact with DCFS but no petition has been filed, notice of the petition shall be served on: the child if ten years or older, the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the child, County Counsel, and DCFS.

(B) Delinquency Proceedings.

- (i) If the petitioner seeks access to juvenile case file records on a child who is currently under the jurisdiction of the Delinquency Court, notice of the petition shall be served on: the child if eight years or older, the attorney of record for the child, the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the child who is under 18 years old, the District Attorney, and the Probation Department.
- (ii) If the petitioner seeks access to juvenile case file records on a child who was under the jurisdiction of the Delinquency Court, notice of the petition shall be served on: the child if eight years or older, the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the child who is under 18 years old, the District Attorney, and the Probation Department.
- (iii) If the petitioner seeks access to juvenile case file records on a child who has had contact with the Probation Department but no petition has been filed, notice of the petition shall be served on: the child if eight years or older, the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the child if the child is under 18 years old, District Attorney, and the Probation Department.

(C) Informal Juvenile and Traffic Court Proceedings. If the petitioner is seeking access to juvenile case file records on a child who appeared or has a pending matter in the Informal Juvenile and Traffic Court, notice of the petition shall be served on: the child if eight years or older and the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the child who is under 18 years of age.

- (4) Objections. Any objections to the petitioner's request for access to the juvenile case file must be submitted in writing to, and received by, the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court no later than: (a) 15 calendar days after date of service, if served by fax or personal service, or (b) 20 calendar days after date of service, if served by mail. In order to receive a copy of the court's decision on the petition, the person or agency filing an objection must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

(A) Time for Objection Shortened for Good Cause. Petitioner may request that the time allowed to file an objection be shortened to a specific date. Petitioner must provide a separate declaration stating specific reasons why the objection period should be shortened. The Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court or his or her designee will

approve or deny the request based on whether good cause has been established in the declaration, or the matter may be set for a hearing.

- (5) Court Ruling on Petition. The Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court or his or her designee will approve or deny the petition, or set the matter for a hearing. If a petition involves an active case, the petition may be delegated to the court of record. Within seven court days from the receipt of the petition, the judicial officer must approve or deny the delegated petition, or set the matter for a hearing.
- (6) Case Files of Deceased Dependent Children. If a child dies while he or she is under the jurisdiction of the Dependency Court, the juvenile case file of that child must be released to the public upon the filing of a petition, and after notice and an opportunity to object have been provided to interested parties.

The Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court or his or her designee may limit or prohibit release of the juvenile case file, or any portion thereof, if the Presiding Judge or his or her designee finds that release of the information is detrimental to the safety, protection, or physical, or emotional well-being of another child who is directly or indirectly connected to the dependency case that is the subject of the petition.

Information relating to another child or which could identify another child shall be redacted from any records prior to release, unless the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court or his or her designee orders otherwise.

- (c) Access to Probation and Department of Children and Family Services Records. A person or entity who may inspect juvenile case files pursuant to WIC section 827(a)(1) or who has a court order from the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court or his or her designee may access DCFS or Probation Department files by contacting the respective agency listed below:

Los Angeles County Probation Department  
Custodian of Records  
Hall of Records  
320 W. Temple St., Suite 180  
Los Angeles, California 90012  
TEL: (213) 974-9029

Department of Children and Family Services  
Subpoena Liaison  
201 Centre Plaza Dr., First Floor  
Monterey Park, California 91754-2159  
TEL: (323) 526-6891



## II. PUBLIC AND MEDIA ACCESS

(a) Access to Specific Proceedings. Pursuant to Welfare & Institutions Code (WIC) sections 346 and 676, dependency and delinquency proceedings are closed to the public unless the judicial officer in the courtroom grants access to the proceedings.

(1) Access to Specific Dependency Court Proceedings. Pursuant to WIC section 346, a member of the public shall not be admitted to a dependency court hearing unless: (a) a parent/guardian makes a request for admission of a person, and the minor who is subject of the petition consents, (b) the subject minor makes a request for admission of a person, or (c) the judicial officer admits a person who he or she deems to have a direct and legitimate interest in a particular case or the work of the court.

(2) Access to Specific Delinquency Court Proceedings. Generally, pursuant to WIC section 676, a member of the public shall not be admitted to a juvenile delinquency court hearing unless: (a) the minor who is the subject of the petition and any parent/guardian who is present request admission of a person, or (b) the judicial officer admits a person who he or she deems to have a direct and legitimate interest in the particular case or the work of the court.

(A) Exceptions for Serious Violent Offenses. Members of the public shall be admitted to a delinquency court hearing that concerns a delinquency petition alleging the minor has violated one of the serious violent offenses listed in WIC section 676(a). However, where the petition filed alleges the minor has committed rape, sodomy, oral copulation, or rape with a foreign or unknown object, the public shall not be admitted to a juvenile delinquency hearing under the following circumstances: (a) upon the victim's request, the district attorney makes a motion for a closed hearing, or (b) during the victim's testimony, if the victim was under 16 years of age at the time of the offense.

(3) Conditions of Admission to Specific Proceedings. Where the public/media is admitted into a juvenile court proceeding, the following must be observed:

(A) A member of the public or media representative must provide appropriate identifying information upon request to the court bailiff or clerk.

(B) A member of the public or media representative shall conduct himself or herself in a manner consistent with the decorum and dignity of the courtroom.

(C) Any requests to photograph, record, or broadcast a juvenile court proceeding shall be in accordance with California Rules of Court, Rule 980.

(b) Observation Orders for Educational Purposes. For the purpose of general education regarding the juvenile court system, requests to observe a juvenile court proceeding may be filed in the office of the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court. Such requests must specify the reason for the observation and shall be filed in a timely manner to assure the Presiding Judge has time

to consider the request and make the appropriate arrangements. Authorizations for court observation prohibit: (1) interviews of the parties, attorneys or court staff, (2) photography, voice recording, and/or videotaping, and (3) public release of any information obtained in court that identifies individuals or cases. Access to particular proceedings is subject to the discretion of the judicial officer in the courtroom.

(c) Requests for Interviewing, Photographing, Videotaping, or Voice Recording of Dependent/Delinquent Children. A person or media representative must obtain a court order from the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court prior to contacting a child if:

- (i) The person or media representative seeks to interview, photograph, videotape, or voice record a child who the person knows, or has reason to know, is under juvenile court jurisdiction and has been removed from the physical custody of the parent or legal guardian; and
- (ii) Confidential information regarding the child's case or dependency or wardship status may or will be disclosed as a result of the interviewing, photographing, videotaping, or voice recording.

Requests may be sent to:

Juvenile Court Presiding Judge's Office  
Edmund D. Edelman Children's Court  
201 Centre Plaza Dr., Suite 3  
Monterey Park, California 91754-2158  
FAX: (323) 881-3794.

- (1) Access to Dependent or Delinquent Children Without Court Permission. This rule does not prevent dependent or delinquent children from initiating contact with any person or media representative without court permission. Additionally, this rule does not limit contact between any person or media representative and families, attorneys, detention facilities, or court-ordered placements without court permission.
- (2) Right to Refuse. Conversely, nothing in this rule is intended to suggest that children, their families, attorneys, or personnel of detention facilities or placements have any obligation to agree to an interview or to provide information to media representatives.
- (3) Request Forms. Request forms ("Requests") [see attached form] are available at:

Superior Court Clerk's Office  
Edmund D. Edelman Children's Court  
201 Centre Plaza Drive  
Second Floor, Room 2700  
Monterey Park, CA 91754-2158  
(323) 526-6645.

Failure to complete all sections of the form with specific information may result in a denial of the request without prejudice.

- (4) Notice. At least five calendar days before the Request is filed with the court, the person initiating the Request shall serve, or attempt to serve, a copy on the appropriate parties either personally, by fax, or by first class mail.

In dependency proceedings, notice shall be served on: the child, attorney of record for the child who remains a dependent of the court, parent(s) or guardian(s) of the child who is under 18 years of age or their attorney, County Counsel, and Department of Children and Family Services ("DCFS").

In delinquency proceedings, notice shall be served on: the child, attorney of record for the child who remains a ward of the court, parent(s) or guardian(s) of the child who is under 18 years of age, District Attorney, and Probation Department.

- (A) Objections. Any objections to the petitioner's Request shall be submitted in writing to, and received by, the Juvenile Court Presiding Judge no later than: (a) 15 calendar days after date of service, if served by fax, electronic mail, or personal service, or (b) 20 calendar days after date of service, if served by mail. In order to receive a copy of the court's decision on the Request, the person/agency filing an objection shall include a self-addressed envelope.

- (1) Time for Objection Shortened for Good Cause. Petitioner may request the time allowed for objections to be shortened. Petitioner must provide timely notice to ensure any person/agency has an opportunity to object, and establish good cause why the objection period should be shortened. The Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court will approve or deny the request based on whether good cause has been established in the Request, or the matter may be set for a hearing.

- (5) Ex Parte Requests. The Presiding Judge may grant a Request on an *ex parte* basis, without notice as defined in section 17.2(c)(4), if it is shown by declaration or affidavit that good cause exists why required notice could not be given or should not be given.

- (6) Evaluation on Case-by-Case Basis.

- (A) Detrimental to Child's Best Interests. The Presiding Judge, or his or her designee, shall not deny the Request unless the court finds a reasonable likelihood that the requested contact will be detrimental to the child's best interests.

- (B) Burden of Proof. The burden of showing detriment to the child shall be on the person or agency opposing the Request.

- (C) Factors Court May Consider. In making its determination, the court may consider, but is not limited to, the following factors: age of the child, nature of the allegations in

the case, child's expressed desire, child's physical and emotional health, extent of the present or expected publicity and its effect, if any, on the child and his or her family.

(D) Protective Orders. Where it is necessary to protect the best interests of a child, the court may issue additional protective orders to maintain the confidentiality of the child's name and/or identity.

(7) Prompt Determination of Request. The court shall make a determination on the Request, or set a hearing, within 5 court days of the final day for filing oppositions.

(8) Particularized Findings Where Request Is Denied. If the court denies the Request, it shall issue particularized findings as to why such denial is necessary to serve the child's best interests.

(d) Research Requests. Persons or agencies who want to conduct research involving children under juvenile court jurisdiction for educational, scientific or public policy purposes must petition the Presiding Judge of Juvenile Court for a court order. (See Appendix #\_\_.)

(1) Petition Process.

(A) Notice. At least five calendar days before the petition is filed with the court, petitioner shall serve, or attempt to serve, a copy of the petition on the appropriate agencies and other interested parties either personally or by first class mail.

Research proposals involving dependent children shall be sent to the following:

Department of Children and Family Services  
Bureau of Information Services, Research Unit  
425 Shatto Place, Room 401  
Los Angeles, CA 90020  
Phone: (213) 351-5696  
Fax: (213) 637-4557

County Counsel's Office  
201 Centre Plaza Drive, Suite 1  
Monterey Park, CA 91754

Children's Law Center of Los Angeles  
201 Centre Plaza Drive, Suite 10  
Monterey Park, CA 91754  
Attn: Executive Director

Juvenile Courts Bar Association  
201 Centre Plaza Drive  
Monterey Park, CA 91754

Research proposals involving delinquent children shall be sent to the following:

Los Angeles County Probation Department  
Quality Enhancement Office  
Research Unit, C-29  
9150 E. Imperial Highway  
Downey, Ca 90242  
TEL: (562) 940-2626 or (562) 940-2753  
FAX: (562) 803-0389

District Attorney's Office  
Head Deputy – Juvenile Division  
100 Ocean Gate, Suite 500  
Long Beach, CA 90802

Public Defender's Office  
Head Deputy – Juvenile Division  
590 Hall of Records  
320 W. Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Alternate Public Defender's Office  
Juvenile Division  
1055 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 850  
Los Angeles, CA 90017

- (B) Objections. Any objections to the petitioner's request for access to juvenile records must be submitted in writing to, and received by, the Juvenile Court Presiding Judge no later than: (a) 15 calendar days after date of service, if served by fax or personal service, or (b) 20 calendar days after date of service, if served by mail. In order to receive a copy of the court's decision on the petition, the person/agency filing an objection shall include a self-addressed envelope.
- (2) Completing the Petition. The petition must be submitted using the "Petition and Order for Research Form" [see attached form] and include a copy of any materials/questions to be utilized in the research. Petitions connected with research through a university or school must include a letter of approval from their Human Subjects Committee, or faculty advisor for a student request. The petitioner must provide in detail:
- (A) The purpose of the proposed research project;
  - (B) A description of the information for which access is requested;
  - (C) A description of the subjects of the research;
  - (D) The methodology to be used to obtain the information;
  - (E) Estimated start and completion dates; and
  - (F) Any benefits the proposed project may have for the court, DCFS or Probation Department.

(3) Requirements. The petitioner must agree to all of the following requirements:

- (A) Pay any and all costs incidental to the research/record search;
- (B) Abide by all laws regarding confidentiality and the policies and procedures of DCFS, the Probation Department, and the Court;
- (C) Insure no unauthorized person or agency has access to case specific information released to the petitioner;
- (D) Insure names and identifying information of minors are not used in any published documents (i.e., reports, evaluations);
- (E) Schedule access with the appropriate departments;
- (F) Submit all reports using case specific information for approval prior to publication; and
- (G) Provide a copy of all research reports upon completion to the appropriate agency and the Court.

Petitioner's Name: Address:  Telephone:                      Fax No.:	
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES          JUVENILE DIVISION</b> Office of the Presiding Judge 201 Centre Plaza Drive, Suite 3 Monterey Park, CA 91754-2158	
CHILD'S NAME: DATE OF BIRTH: MOTHER'S NAME:	
<b>REQUEST FOR INTERVIEWING, PHOTOGRAPHING, VIDEOTAPING, OR          VOICE RECORDING OF DEPENDENT OR DELINQUENT CHILDREN          (WIC §827)</b>	Case Number:

1. Petitioner alleges the child whom he or she wishes to contact has been found to be within the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court pursuant to:

- Welfare & Institutions Code section 300
- Welfare & Institutions Code section 601
- Welfare & Institutions Code section 602
- Unknown

2. Petitioner requests contact with said child for purposes of:

- Interviewing
- Photographing
- Videotaping
- Voice recording

*(Specify whether Petitioner requests permission to reveal or show the identity or name of the child and reason why.)*

3. Petitioner requests contact with said child for purposes of:

- Newspaper article
- Television program
- Radio program
- Internet posting
- Other:

*(Describe in detail the reason for the request; attach additional pages if necessary.)*

4. Petitioner provided notice of the request to the following parties:

- |  |              |   |
|--|--------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child                   | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child's parent/guardian | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child's attorney        | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Counsel          | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DCFS                    | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> District Attorney       | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probation               | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                  | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |

Petitioner asserts that the following facts constitute good cause to shorten the time for the filing of objections to the request (*Note: objections are due 15 days if request is served by personal service/facsimile/email and 20 days if served by US mail, in the absence of good cause*):

Declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing and all attachments are true and correct.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Type or Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Petitioner

**ORDER**

- Request Granted  
 Additional Orders:

- Request Denied  
 Reason for Denial:

- Set Hearing on request. Clerk to provide notice to parties and petitioner.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judicial Officer



Petitioner's Name: Organizational Affiliation:  Address:  Phone: Fax:	
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES</b> <b>JUVENILE DIVISION</b> Office of the Presiding Judge 201 Centre Plaza Drive, Suite 3 Monterey Park, CA 91754-2158	
On Behalf of:   <p style="text-align: center;">Petitioner</p>	<b>PETITION AND ORDER          FOR RESEARCH</b>

Petitioner respectfully requests permission to conduct the following research described below:

1. Project purpose and description:

Proposed start date:

Projected study completion date:

Data collection completion date:

Requested duration of access:

3. Subjects or information Petitioner requests access to:

4. Methodology:

5. Information to be extracted:

6. Describe the potential benefits to the Courts, Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), Probation Department and/or the subject class as a result of this project:

During this project, Petitioner agrees to the following conditions:

- A. To pay any and all costs incidental to the research or record search. These costs will be established prior to initiation of the project.
- B. Abide by all confidentiality laws, and policies and procedures of DCFS, Probation Department and the Court.
- C. Abide by all confidentiality of record information requirements outlined in Penal Code section 13202 for delinquency records.
- D. Ensure that no unauthorized persons or agencies have access to the information released to Petitioner.
- E. Make all scheduling arrangements with the appropriate agency to obtain access to information, minors, and/or staff.
- F. Ensure names or identifying information regarding minors, offenders or victims are not published in any documents (i.e. reports, evaluations).
- G. Submit all research reports using specific case information to the Court and the appropriate agency for approval prior to publication.
- H. Provide a copy of all research reports upon completion to the Court and the appropriate agencies.

Petitioner provided notice of the petition to the following parties, where applicable:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> County Counsel            | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DCFS                      | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Law Center     | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Courts Bar Assn. | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> District Attorney         | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Defender           | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Probation                 | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                    | Date served: | <input type="checkbox"/> personal service/fax/email; <input type="checkbox"/> US mail |

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing and all attachments are true and correct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Petitioner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Petitioner

DCFS/Probation Department comments:

Request approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Request not approved: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Bureau Chief

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of DCFS Director/Chief Probation Officer/Designee

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

IT IS SO ORDERED.

This order shall remain in effect until \_\_\_\_\_.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court