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# INVITATION TO COMMENT

#### SPR13-24

#### Title

Juvenile Law: Access to Services for Children, Nonminors, and Nonminor Dependents

#### Proposed Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes

Amend Cal. Rules of Court, rules 5.502, 5.518, 5.534, 5.575, 5.650(a), 5.660, 5.695, 5.708, 5.790, and 5.810; renumber rule 5.650(b)–(j) as 5.651 and amend; renumber rule 5.651 as rule 5.652 and amend; renumber rule 5.652 as rule 5.653; revise Judicial Council forms JV-180, JV-225, JV-535, JV-536, JV-537, JV-538, and JV-539; and approve form JV-535(A)

#### Proposed by

Family and Juvenile Law Advisory
Committee
Hon. Kimberly J. Nystrom-Geist, Cochair
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#### **Action Requested**

Review and submit comments by June 19, 2013

#### **Proposed Effective Date**

January 1, 2014

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#### **Executive Summary and Origin**

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee proposes amending 11 California Rules of Court, renumbering 3 rules, revising 7 Judicial Council forms, and approving 1 form for optional use, effective January 1, 2014, to conform to recent legislation that amended many sections of the Welfare and Institutions Code, the Education Code, and the Government Code to promote access to educational, developmental, and other legally mandated services for children and nonminors who are the subject of juvenile court proceedings and to ensure that all children and nonminors in foster care are able to maintain connections to relatives and other adults important to them. The committee also proposes amending these rules and revising these forms to simplify language and procedures, to correct technical or grammatical errors, and to improve consistency within and among the rules.

# **Background**

Over the past several years, the Legislature has acted multiple times to expand the rights of children who are the subject of dependency proceedings, youth who are the subject of delinquency proceedings, nonminors over whom the juvenile court has retained dependency or delinquency jurisdiction, and nonminor dependents. These new and expanded rights have resulted in the imposition of corresponding obligations on representatives, agencies, and service

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providers, as well as new procedural requirements for the juvenile court to ensure the protection of the legal rights of persons subject to its proceedings or jurisdiction. Conformity with this legislation requires amendment of the rules or revision of the forms in this proposal. In addition, the committee has received several suggestions for amendments and revisions to some of these same rules and forms. Recognizing the burden on the courts of reviewing and implementing rule amendments and form revisions, the committee postponed proposing any discretionary changes separately. Because these changes are needed to improve clarity and procedural efficiency, however, the committee now proposes that they be incorporated into the rules and forms already needing substantive modification in this proposal.

#### Access to developmental services

Senate Bill 368 (Stats. 2011, ch. 471) amended sections 319, 361, and 726 of the Welfare and Institutions Code<sup>1</sup> to authorize the court to limit the rights of a parent or guardian to make developmental-services decisions for a child and to appoint a representative to make those decisions on the child's behalf. Under previous law, an appointed educational rights holder lacked express authority to participate in planning a child's developmental-services program, coordinating those services with the child's educational services, and monitoring service delivery. SB 368 clearly grants an appointed rights holder the authority to access a child's developmental-services records and information, to participate in the development of the child's service plan, and to represent the child in the regional center fair hearing process.

#### Access to services for nonminor dependents

Assembly Bill 1712 (Stats. 2012, ch. 846) modified the court's authority to appoint an educational rights holder for nonminor dependents in certain limited circumstances. The court already held the authority, under section 726(b) and former section 361(a), to appoint or continue the appointment of a rights holder for nonminors over whom the court retained dependency or delinquency jurisdiction if the nonminor chose not to make educational or developmental-services decisions or was deemed incompetent. This bill amended section 361(a) to extend and qualify that authority in the case of a nonminor dependent. Before appointing a rights holder for a nonminor dependent, the court must also find that the appointment would be in the best interests of the nonminor dependent.

#### Duties of rights holder and relationship to child or nonminor dependent

Assembly Bill 2060 (Stats. 2012, ch. 176) also amended sections 361 and 726 to clarify the duties of an appointed educational rights holder and promote the appointment of relatives and other adults known to a child or nonminor as the rights holder for that person. The amendments require an educational rights holder to meet with the child, to investigate the child's educational needs and whether those needs are being met, and, before each statutory review hearing, to provide information and recommendations to the social worker or probation officer and to make written recommendations to the court or attend the review hearing and participate in those portions of the hearing that concern the child's education. The committee also proposes applying these requirements to a rights holder with respect to developmental-services needs. Although not

<sup>1</sup> All further statutory references are to the Welfare and Institutions Code unless otherwise specified.

explicitly required by statute, that application is consistent with the Legislature's manifest intent in SB 368 and AB 1712 that the court inquire whether the developmental-services needs of foster children and nonminor dependents are being met.

#### **School stability**

In response to research indicating that frequent changes of school placement contribute to lower academic, social, and extracurricular performance and to elements of the federal Fostering Connections to Success Act (Pub.L. 110-351 (Oct. 7, 2008), 122 Stat. 3949), the Legislature enacted a variety of measures to promote school stability. In particular, Assembly Bill 1933 (Stats. 2010, ch. 563) amended section 48853.5 of the Education Code to extend a foster child's right, at the initial detention or placement, to continue in his or her school of origin for "the duration of the jurisdiction of the court." Senate Bill 1568 (Stats. 2012, ch. 578) modified the school stability rights of pupils in foster care following the termination of court jurisdiction. Most significant, the bill granted a high school student over whom jurisdiction is terminated the right to remain in his or her school of origin until graduation. Assembly Bill 1909 (Stats. 2012, ch. 849) clarified that a local educational liaison's authority with respect to placement decisions is merely advisory and does not supersede parental authority, whether that authority is held by a parent, guardian, or appointed educational rights holder. AB 1909 also amended section 317 to require a pupil's attorney, under specific circumstances, to provide contact information to the local educational agency.

#### Agency joinder

Under sections 362 and 727, the juvenile court has long held the authority to join in dependency or delinquency proceedings an agency that the court determines has failed to meet a legal obligation to provide services to a dependent child or ward of the court. Senate Bill 1048 (Stats. 2012, ch. 130) amended section 362 to clarify that the definition of "agency" includes private service providers or individuals who receive payment or reimbursement from government funds. It also permits the court to join any agency that it determines has failed to meet a legal obligation to provide services to a child for whom a petition has been filed under section 300, as well as to a nonminor or a nonminor dependent. The bill also amended section 727 to grant the court authority in cases petitioned under section 601 or 602 parallel to that in dependency cases.

#### Receipt of birth certificate

Assembly Bill 791 (Stats. 2011, ch. 59) amended sections 361.5 and 366.21 to require the juvenile court, when it denies or terminates reunification services to a parent or guardian, to order that the child's caregiver receive the child's birth certificate. The bill also requires the court to order that a child 16 years of age or older receive his or her birth certificate when appropriate. Possession of his or her birth certificate facilitates access of a child in foster care to educational and extracurricular activities and provides an opportunity to correct any inaccurate information on the certificate. Based on its determination that it is almost always appropriate for a dependent child 16 years of age or older to receive a copy of his or her birth certificate when reunification services are denied or terminated, the committee has interpreted the statute to require that such a

child receive a copy of his or her birth certificate unless the court finds that receipt would be inappropriate.

#### Family finding and engagement

Assembly Bill 938 (Stats. 2009, ch. 431) added sections 309(e) and 628(d) to require the social worker or probation officer to use due diligence to identify and locate a child's relatives, as defined, within 30 days of the child's removal from the home and to notify located relatives of certain statutorily specified information. Existing rule 5.637(a), effective January 1, 2011, reiterates these requirements for both social workers and probation officers. The Judicial Council simultaneously amended rule 5.695 to establish a procedure in dependency proceedings for the court to consider whether the social services agency has used due diligence in conducting its investigation to identify, locate, and notify relatives, and to affirm the court's authority to order the agency to conduct the required investigation if it has not done so. The council did not, however, establish a parallel procedure for delinquency proceedings. This proposed amendment would do that.

#### **Ancillary revisions**

The committee has also proposed several amendments and revisions to bring these rules and forms into conformity with existing law, to render them internally consistent, to respond to requests and suggestions from the courts, and to make technical and clarifying corrections. Among these changes, one deserves particular mention. It has come to the committee's attention that parents and guardians often decline to submit Your Child's Health and Education (form JV-225) as required by section 16010(f) because the form requires the parent or guardian to sign it under penalty of perjury and goes on to state: "This means that if I lie on this form, I am guilty of a crime." Issues of accuracy aside, the requirement substantially hinders the Legislature's intent, in enacting section 16010(f), to collect complete information about the child's medical and educational history. The committee therefore proposes that the requirement be modified to read, "I declare that the information on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge," which more properly reflects the parent's knowledge. The committee also recommends a similar revision to Request to Change Court Order (form JV-180), which uses the same language. Because this form, in contrast to JV-225, is used to request judicial action, the committee proposes retaining the requirement that the form be completed under penalty of perjury. The additional sentence would, however, be stricken.

### **Prior Circulation**

An earlier version of this proposal was circulated for public comment in spring 2012. Following circulation and before submission to the Judicial Council, the enactment of additional legislation addressing the same subject matter and requiring further amendment to the same rules and revision of the same and related forms led the committee to defer submission of the proposal to the council, to consider additional amendments and revisions to conform to the new legislation, and to propose recirculation of the proposal in spring 2013. The new legislation and the need to harmonize the rules and forms with the overall statutory scheme and with each other has required

the proposed amendment and revision of a small number of rules and forms not circulated in the earlier proposal.

# The Proposal

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee proposes that rules 5.502, 5.518, 5.534, 5.650(a), 5.695, 5.708, 5.790, and 5.810 be amended, and that rules 5.650(b)(-(j) and 5.651 be renumbered and amended, to reflect the court's authority under SB 368 to limit parental rights to make decisions concerning a child's developmental services and appoint a rights holder, the court's authority under AB 1712 to appoint an educational rights holder for a nonminor dependent, and the expansion of the rights and duties of an appointed educational rights holder under AB 2060; that rule 5.651 be further amended to reflect the expansion of the right of a pupil in foster care right to remain in his or her school of origin in AB 1933, AB 1909, and SB 1568; that rule 5.575 be amended to reflect the court's authority under SB 1048 to join in a juvenile court proceeding any agency, as defined, that the court determines has failed to provide a legally required service to a child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent who is the subject of the proceeding; that rule 5.660(d) be amended to reflect AB 1909's requirement that a child's attorney provide his or her contact information to the educational liaison at each local educational agency providing services to his or her clients in the county of jurisdiction; that rules 5.695 and 5.708 be further amended to conform to the requirements in AB 791 that the court, whenever it denies or terminates reunification services in a dependency proceeding, order the agency to provide the child's birth certificate to the caregiver and, if the child is over 16, directly to the child; and that rule 5.790 be further amended to insert a provision requiring the court to inquire into the probation department's family-finding investigation under Welfare and Institutions Code section 628(d), added by AB 938. The committee also proposes amending these rules and revising these forms to remove superfluous statutory language, to improve procedural efficiency, and to make technical, typographical, or grammatical corrections.

The committee proposes the following specific amendments and revisions:

- Amend rule 5.502 to replace the term *educational representative* with the standard, nationally recognized term *educational rights holder* and to expand the definition of the term to encompass the authority to make developmental-services decisions and to act on behalf of certain nonminors and nonminor dependents; to define *nonminors* as a class of persons distinct from nonminor dependents; to define *transition dependent*; and to make technical corrections to the definitions of *court-ordered services* and *domestic partner*.
- Amend rule 5.518(e) to delete a reference to renumbered and amended rule 5.651(a)(3) and to incorporate language consistent with that rule.
- Amend rule 5.534 to provide for the appointment of an educational rights holder both when the court limits the rights of a parent or guardian to make developmental-services decisions and when the court finds that an appointment would be in the best interests of a nonminor or nonminor dependent; and to make technical corrections to provisions

- relating to the burden of proof, de facto parents, relatives, the right to and appointment of counsel, and the court's authority to require an agency to file periodic reports.
- Amend rule 5.575 to reflect the court's authority to join an agency at any stage of the proceedings and on behalf of a nonminor or nonminor dependent as well as a child, to clarify procedures and timelines, and to correct cross references.
- Amend rule 5.650(a) and add new subdivisions (b)–(e) to specify the court's authority to limit parental rights to make decisions regarding developmental services as well as education; to address the court's authority to limit parental rights to make educational or developmental-services decisions from the authority and procedures for appointing an educational rights holder; to clarify a limitation at or after disposition from a temporary limitation before disposition; to restructure the rule; and to specify that, if the court orders parental decisionmaking rights limited, the attorney for the child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent is required to file a completed form JV-535 for the court's signature unless otherwise directed by the court.
- Renumber rule 5.650(b)–(j) as rule 5.651, change its title to "Appointed educational rights holder," and amend it to clarify the procedures for appointing an educational rights holder for a child and the circumstances in which an appointment need not be made; to incorporate procedures for appointing a rights holder for a nonminor or a nonminor dependent; to specify the court's duty to determine whether a responsible adult related or known to the child is available to serve as the educational rights holder before appointing an unknown adult; to specify the requirement that, if the court must temporarily make educational or developmental-services decisions for a child before disposition because it cannot identify a responsible adult, then the court must order every effort made to identify a responsible adult to make future decisions; to reflect changes to the statutory authority and duties of an educational rights holder; to clarify the limits of the rights holder's term of service; to limit the requirements that the order on form JV-535 be served to instances in which the court has designated a new rights holder or one different from the previous hearing; and to simplify the rule, promote clarity, and make technical changes.
- Renumber rule 5.651 as rule 5.652, change its title to "Educational and developmental-services rights," and amend it to reflect the applicability of all state and federal laws conferring rights to educational or developmental services; to reflect the rule's application to children, nonminors, and nonminor dependents; to incorporate consideration of developmental-services needs into the judicial inquiry required at regularly scheduled hearings; to update the report requirements to include information about developmental services needed or received; to incorporate statutory amendments to the pupil's right to attend the school of origin; and to clarify the procedures for judicial review of a change of placement resulting in removal from the school of origin.
- Renumber rule 5.652 as 5.653.

- Amend rule 5.660 to incorporate the requirement that the child's attorney provide his or her contact information to specified educational liaisons.
- Amend rules 5.695 and 5.790 to reflect the statutory requirements that the court consider, at the dispositional hearing, a dependent's or ward's educational and developmental-services needs, whether to limit parental decisionmaking rights, and, if applicable, whether to appoint a rights holder; to render the requirements for judicial review of the agency's family-finding investigation consistent with one another, with rule 5.637, and with sections 309 and 628; and to remove superfluous language.
- Amend rules 5.695 and 5.708 to incorporate the requirement that the caregiver and, if 16 years of age or older, the child receive his or her birth certificate when reunification services are denied or terminated.<sup>2</sup>
- Amend rules 5.708 and 5.810 to reflect the statutory requirements that the court consider, at each statutory review hearing, a dependent's, ward's, or nonminor dependent's educational and developmental-services needs, whether to limit parental decisionmaking rights, and, if applicable, whether to appoint a rights holder.
- Revise Request to Change Court Order (form JV-180) to replace the term child's education surrogate with educational rights holder; to add a line to record the rights holder's position on the requested change, if relevant; to strike the requirement that the person completing the form declare that if he or she lies on the form, then he or she is guilty of a crime, and to simplify the form.
- Revise *Your Child's Health and Education* (form JV-225) to solicit information about the child's need for and receipt of developmental services, history of hospitalization, and vision correction; to permit attachment of additional sheets; and to strike the requirement that the person completing the form declare that if he or she lies on the form, then he or she is guilty of a crime.
- Rename Findings and Orders Limiting Right to Make Educational Decisions for the Child, Appointing Educational Representative, and Determining Child's Educational Needs (form JV-535) as Order Designating Educational Rights Holder and revise it to permit the court to clearly identify the designated or appointed educational rights holder; to specify the rights holder's relationship to the child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent; to specify the authority and duties of an appointed rights holder; and to simplify the form by removing information not needed by the rights holder or the local educational agency to perform their respective legal obligations. These revisions are designed to increase the usefulness of the form and thereby to promote its more consistent and widespread use.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee has proposed additional amendments to rule 5.695(h) in response to Senate Bill 1064 (Stats. 2012, ch. 849). These amendments have been circulated for comment in the proposal SPR13-27: *Juvenile Law: Minor Changes for Statutory Compliance*.

- Approve Additional Findings and Orders Attachment (form JV-535(A)) for optional use in courts that prefer not to develop local processes and forms to document findings and orders. The proposed form includes the findings and orders needed to support a limitation of parental decisionmaking rights and the appointment of an educational rights holder.
- Revise Local Educational Agency Response to JV-535—Appointment of Surrogate Parent (form JV-536), revise Educational Representative or Surrogate Parent Information (form JV-537) and rename it Educational Rights Holder Statement, revise Findings and Orders Regarding Transfer from School of Origin (form JV-538), and revise Request for Hearing Regarding Child's Education (form JV-539) and rename it Request for Hearing Regarding Access to Services. The proposed revisions would render these forms consistent with statute and proposed forms JV-535 and JV-535(A) and would update obsolete references to statutes and rules.

#### **Alternatives Considered**

The committee does not propose leaving the rules and forms unmodified. Most of the amendments and revisions in this proposal respond to statutory requirements, make technical corrections, and simplify the rules by eliminating language that merely duplicates statute. When required by statutory amendment to modify a particular rule or form, the committee has also considered suggestions for further modification of that rule or form received from the courts and other justice partners. For example, SB 368 required the addition of items addressing developmental services to *Your Child's Health and Education* (form JV-225). Having received statements of concern from courts and attorneys regarding that form's description of perjury, the committee proposes striking that language from the form as well.

### Implementation Requirements, Costs, and Operational Impacts

The costs of implementing the proposal would be modest. The amendments to rules 5.650 and 5.651, as well as some of the revisions to JV-535, implement statutory requirements that the juvenile court consider limiting parental control over decisions affecting a child's developmental services. This consideration might increase the length of some hearings. The form revisions would require courts to incur one-time costs associated with printing and distributing new forms.

The amendment to rule 5.790 regarding family finding would require the juvenile delinquency court to consider whether the probation department had fulfilled its statutory and rule-based duty to exercise due diligence in conducting an investigation to identify, locate, and notify the relatives of a child who is detained and at risk of entering foster care within 30 days of that child's removal from parental custody. Rule 5.695 already requires the court to make these findings at dispositional hearings in dependency proceedings. Although the requirement might increase the length of dispositional hearings in delinquency cases, the committee has received no feedback indicating that the requirement has caused undue delays in dependency proceedings in the two years since it took effect. The requirement is, however, calculated to reduce long-term costs to the courts and probation departments by augmenting the pool of potential caregivers for children and youth removed from parental custody and by providing these youth with a better

chance of establishing lifelong connections with loving relatives. And because rule 5.637 already reflects the probation department's statutory duty to conduct this investigation, the addition of the inquiry to rule 5.790 would impose no investigative duties on the department.

# **Request for Specific Comments**

In addition to comments on the proposal as a whole, the advisory committee is interested in comments on the following:

- Does the proposal reasonably achieve the stated purpose?
- Would this proposal have an impact on public's access to the courts? If a positive impact, please describe. If a negative impact, what changes might lessen the impact?
- Would the proposed revisions to form JV-535 facilitate clearer communication between courts and local educational agencies?
- Does the reorganization of form JV-535 make it easier for all users to identify the designated educational rights holder?

The advisory committee also seeks comments from *courts* on the following cost and implementation matters:

- Would the proposed revision of form JV-535 and approval of JV-535(A) make the forms simpler for judicial officers and court staff to use?
- Would the separation of many findings and orders onto optional form JV-535(A) assist courts by increasing local flexibility and reducing required paperwork?
- Would the proposal provide costs savings? If so, please quantify. If not, what changes might be made that would provide savings, or greater savings?
- What would the implementation requirements be for courts? For example, training staff
  (please identify position and expected hours of training), revising processes and
  procedures (please describe), changing docket codes in case management system, or
  modifying case management system.
- Bearing in mind that rule 5.504(c) permits courts 12 months from the forms' effective date to implement new and revised Judicial Council juvenile forms, would two months from Judicial Council approval of this proposal until its effective date provide sufficient time for implementation?
- If this proposal would be cumbersome or difficult to implement in a court of your size, what changes would allow the proposal to be implemented more easily or simply in a court of your size?

#### **Attachments and Links**

- 1. Text of proposed Cal. Rules of Court, rules 5.502, 5.518, 5.534, 5.575, 5.650, 5.651, 5.652, 5.653, 5.660, 5.695, 5.708, 5.790, and 5.810, at pages 10–52
- 2. Proposed forms JV-180, JV-225, JV-535, JV-535(A), JV-536, JV-537, JV-538, and JV-539, at pages 53–73
- 3. SPR13-27: Juvenile Law: Minor Changes for Statutory Compliance

Rules 5.502, 5.518, 5.534, 5.575, 5.650(a), 5.660, 5.695, 5.708, 5.790, and 5.810 of the California Rules of Court would be amended; rule 5.650(b)–(j) would be renumbered as rule 5.651 and amended; rule 5.651 would be renumbered as rule 5.652 and amended; and rule 5.652 would be renumbered as rule 5.653, effective January 1, 2014, to read:

#### Rule 5.502. Definitions and use of terms

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Definitions (§§ 202(e), 303(b), 319, 361, 361.5(a)(3), 450, 628.1, 636, 726, 727.3(c)(2), 727.4(d), 4512(j), 4701.6(b), 11400(v), 11400(y), 16501(f)(16); 20 U.S.C. § 1415; 25 U.S.C. § 1903(2))

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(8) "Court-ordered services" or "court-ordered treatment program" means child welfare services or services provided by an appropriate agency ordered at a dispositional hearing at which the child is declared a dependent child or ward of the court, and any hearing thereafter, for the purpose of maintaining or reunifying a child with a parent or guardian.

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(12) "Domestic partner" means <u>one of</u> two adults who have chosen to share one another's lives in an intimate and committed relationship of mutual caring as described in Family Code section 297.

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(13) "Educational representative rights holder" means the responsible adult designated or appointed by the court as holding the authority who holds the educational rights to make educational and, unless otherwise specified, developmental-services decisions for a child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent, when the parent's or guardian's educational rights have been limited by the court. The If appointed by the court, the educational representative rights holder acts as the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's spokesperson, educational decision maker, authorized representative, and parent in regard to all educational matters related to educational or developmental-services needs, including those defined described in sections 319, 361, and 726, 4512, 4646–4648, and 4700–4731; Education Code sections 56050 and 56055: Government Code sections 7579.5 and 7579.6; and title 20 chapter 33 (commencing with section 1400) of title 20 of the United States Code; and part 300 (commencing with section 300.1) of title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, unless the court orders otherwise. The An appointed educational representative rights holder holds educational and privacy rights is entitled to access to educational and developmental-services records and information to the extent permitted by law, including by sections 4514 and 5328, and to the same extent as the

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1 (vi) The requirements of the laws incorporated in rule 2 5.651(a)(3) rights to educational and developmental services 3 recognized or established by state and federal law and the 4 strategies for appropriately addressing the individual needs 5 of persons with disabilities; 6 7 (B)-(K)8 9 \* \* \* (f)–(j)10 11 12 Rule 5.534. General provisions—all proceedings 13 \* \* \* 14 (a)–(c)15 16 Burden of proof (§§ 350, 701.1) 17 18 (1) Meeting the burden of proof: 19 20 (A) In any hearing under section 300 in which the county welfare 21 agency has the burden of proof, after completion of the agency's 22 case, and the presentation of evidence by the child, the court may, 23 on motion of any party or on the court's own motion, order 24 whatever action the law requires if the court, based on all the 25 evidence then before it, finds that the burden of proof is has not 26 been met. 27 28 (B) In any hearing under section 601 or 602, after the completion of 29 the petitioner's case, the court may, on the motion of any party, or 30 on the court's own motion, order whatever action the law requires 31 if the court, based on all the evidence then before it, finds that the 32 burden of proof is has not been met. 33 34 If the motion is denied, the child—in a hearing under section 300 or 35 section 601 or section 602 hearing,—or the parent or guardian—in a 36 <u>hearing under</u> section 300 <u>hearing</u>, <u>may offer evidence</u>. 37 38 De facto parents (e) 39 40 On a sufficient showing, the court may recognize the child's present or 41 previous custodians as a de facto parents and grant him or her standing to 42 participate as a party parties in the dispositional hearings and any hearing

1 thereafter at which the status of the dependent child is at issue. The de facto 2 parent may: 3 4 \* \* \* (1)–(3)5 6 **(f) Relatives** 7 8 On a sufficient showing, the court may permit a relatives of the child, 9 nonminor, or nonminor dependent to: 10 \* \* \* 11 (A)–(B)12 13 A relatives of the child have has the right to submit information about 14 the child to the court at any time. Written information about the child 15 may be submitted to the court using *Relative Information* (form JV-285) or in a letter to the court. 16 17 18 (3) When a relative is located through the investigation required by rule 19 5.637, the social worker or probation officer must give that relative: 20 21 (A) The written notice required by section 309 or 628 and the 22 "Important Information for Relatives" document as distributed in 23 California Department of Social Services All County Letter No. 24 09-86; 25 \* \* \* 26 (B)–(C)27 28 When form JV-285 or a relative's letter is received by the court, the 29 court-clerk must provide the social worker, all unrepresented self-30 represented parties, and all attorneys with a copy of the completed form 31 or letter. 32 33 When form JV-287 is received by the court, the court clerk must place 34 it in a confidential portion of the case file. 35 36 **(g)** Right to counsel (§§ 317, 633, 634, 700) 37 38 At each hearing, the court must advise any self-represented child, parent, or 39 guardian of the right to be represented by counsel and, if applicable, of the

for reimbursement as provided by law.

right to have counsel appointed, subject to a claim by the court or the county

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1 Appointment of counsel (§§ 317, <u>353,</u> 633, 634, 700) 2 3 (1) \* \* \* 4 5 In cases petitioned under section 601 or section 602: 6 7 \* \* \* (A)–(C)8 9 **(i)** \* \* \* 10 11 Appointment of educational representative rights holder (§§ 319, 361, **(j)** 12 366, 366,27, 726, 727.2; Gov. Code, §§ 7579.5–7579.6) 13 14 (1) If the court limits, even temporarily, the rights of a parent or guardian 15 to make educational or developmental-services decisions for the a child 16 under rule 5.650, the court must immediately proceed under rule 17 5.650(b) 5.651 to appoint an responsible adult as educational 18 representative rights holder for the child. 19 20 If a nonminor or a nonminor dependent chooses not to make (2) 21 educational or developmental-services decisions for him- or herself or 22 is deemed by the court to be incompetent, and the court finds that the 23 appointment of an educational rights holder would be in the best 24 interests of the nonminor or nonminor dependent, the court must 25 immediately proceed under rule 5.651 to appoint or continue the 26 appointment of a responsible adult as educational rights holder for the nonminor or nonminor dependent. 27 28 29 \* \* \* (k)–(n)30 31 Periodic reports (§ 365) 32 33 The court may require the petitioner or any other agency to submit reports 34 concerning a child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent subject to the 35 jurisdiction of the court. 36 37 \* \* \* **(p)** 38 39 40 Rule 5.575. Joinder of Agencies 41 42 (a) Basis for joinder (§§ 362, 365, 727)

After a child has been adjudged a dependent child or a ward of the court, The court may, at any time after a petition has been filed, following notice and a hearing, join in the court proceedings any government agency or private service provider (as defined in § 362(e) section 362) that the court determines has failed to meet a legal obligation to provide services to the a child for whom a petition has been filed under section 300, 601, or 602; to a nonminor; or to a nonminor dependent. The court may not impose duties on an agency beyond those required by law.

# (b) Notice and Hearing

On application by a party, counsel, or CASA volunteer, or on the court's own motion, the court may set a hearing and require notice to the agency or provider subject to joinder.

(1)—Notice of the hearing on joinder to the agency or provider must be given to the agency on Notice of Hearing on Joinder—Juvenile (form JV-540). The notice must clearly describe the legal obligation at issue, the facts and circumstances alleged to constitute the agency's failure to meet that obligation, state the allegations of the agency's or provider's failure to meet a legal obligation, as well as and any issues or questions the court wants expects the agency or provider to address at the hearing.

(2)(1) The hearing must be set to occur within 30 calendar days of the signing of the notice by the court. The hearing will proceed under the provisions of rule 5.570(h) or (i), as appropriate.

(3)(2) The clerk of the juvenile court must cause the notice to be served on the agency or provider and the persons prescribed by sections 291 and 658 either personally or and all parties, attorneys of record, and any CASA volunteer or educational rights holder by first-class mail within 5 court days after of the signing of the notice.

(4)(3) Nothing in this rule prohibits agencies from meeting before the hearing to coordinate the delivery of services. The court may request, by using section 8 of form JV-540, that agency representatives meet before the hearing and that the agency or agencies submit a written response to the court. Any such response must be filed at least 5 court days before the hearing.

(c) Conduct of hearing

The hearing must be conducted under rule 5.570(f) or (g). The court may not impose duties on a government agency or private service provider beyond those required by statute.

# Rule 5.650. Appointment of educational representative Limitation of rights to make educational or developmental-services decisions

(a) Parent's or guardian's educational rights limited Order (§§ 319, 361, 366, 366.27, 366.3, 726, 727.2; 20 U.S.C. § 1415; 34 C.F.R. §§ 300.519, 300.300)

At the dispositional hearing and each subsequent review or permanency hearing, the court must determine whether the rights of a parent or guardian to make educational or developmental-services decisions for the child should be limited. If necessary to protect a child who is adjudged a dependent or ward of the court under section 300, 601, or 602, the court may limit a parent's or guardian's rights to make educational or developmental-services decisions for a the child who is declared adjudged a dependent or ward of the court under section 300, 601, or 602 by making appropriate, specific orders on Order Designating Educational Rights Holder (form JV-535). The court must identify the authorized educational rights holder on form JV-535 regardless of whether the court limits the parent's or guardian's rights., but the limitations may not exceed those necessary to protect the child. Before disposition, the court may temporarily limit a parent's or guardian's right to make educational decisions under section 319(g). The court may limit a parent's or guardian's educational rights regardless of whether the child is, or may be eligible for, special education and related services.

(1) If the court temporarily limits the parent's or guardian's right to make educational decisions under section 319(g), the court must reconsider the need, if any, to limit educational rights at the disposition hearing.

(2) The child's initial evaluation for special education services need not be postponed to await parental or guardian consent or appointment of an educational representative if one or more of the following circumstances are met:

(A) The court has limited or temporarily limited the educational rights of the parent or guardian, and consent for an initial assessment has been given by an individual appointed by the court to represent the child;

1 2		(B) The local education agency cannot discover the whereabouts of the parent or guardian; or
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4		(C) The parent's rights have been terminated or the guardianship has
5		been set aside.
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7		(3) If the court determines that the child is in need of any assessments,
8 9		evaluations, or services, including special education, mental health, and other related services, the court must direct an appropriate person to
10		take the necessary steps to request those assessments, evaluations, or
11		services.
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14	<u>(b)</u>	Temporary order (§ 319)
15		At the initial hearing on a natition filed under section 225 or at any time
16		At the initial hearing on a petition filed under section 325 or at any time
17		before a child is adjudged a dependent or the petition is dismissed, the court
		may, on making the findings required by section 319(g)(1), use form JV-535
18		to temporarily limit a parent's or guardian's rights to make educational or
19		developmental-services decisions for the child. An order made under section
20		319(g) expires either at the conclusion of the hearing held under section 361
21		or on dismissal of the petition.
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23		If the court does temporarily limit the parent's or guardian's rights to make
24		educational or developmental-services decisions, the court must, at the
25		dispositional hearing, reconsider the need to limit those rights and must
26		identify the authorized educational rights holder on form JV-535.
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28	<u>(c)</u>	No delay of initial evaluation for services
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30		The child's initial evaluation for special education or developmental services
31		need not be postponed to await parental or guardian consent or the
32		appointment of an educational rights holder if one or more of the following
33		<u>circumstances is met:</u>
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35		(1) The court has limited, even temporarily, the educational or
36		developmental-services decisionmaking rights of the parent or
37		guardian, and consent for an initial assessment has been given by an
38		individual appointed by the court to represent the child;
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40		(2) The local educational agency or regional center cannot discover the
41		whereabouts of the parent or guardian; or
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(3) Parental rights have been terminated or the guardianship has been set aside.

# (d) Judicial Determination

If the court determines that the child is in need of any assessments, evaluations, or services—including special education, mental health, developmental, and other related services—the court must direct an appropriate person to take the necessary steps to request those assessments, evaluations, or services.

#### (e) Filing of order

Following the dispositional hearing and each statutory review hearing, unless the court specifically orders otherwise, the child's attorney must complete form JV-535 and any required attachments to reflect the court's orders and submit the completed form within five court days for the court's review and signature. The court may direct the child's attorney to attach *Additional Findings and Orders Attachment* (form JV-535(A)) to document the court's findings.

# Rule 5.651. Appointed educational rights holder

(b)(a) Order and aAppointment of educational representative (§§ 319, 361, 366, 366.27, 366.3, 726, 727.2; Gov. Code, § 7579.6; 20 U.S.C. § 1415; 34 C.F.R. § 300.519)

The court must use Findings and Orders Limiting Right to Make Educational Decisions for the Child, Appointing Educational Representative, and Determining Child's Educational Needs (form JV 535) when it limits the rights of a parent or guardian to make educational decisions for the child. In its order, Whenever it limits, even temporarily, the rights of a parent or guardian to make educational or developmental-services decisions for a child, the court must document that use form JV-535 to appoint a responsible adult as educational rights holder or to document that one of the following circumstances exists: one of the following actions in (1) or (2) has been taken, or, in the alternative, that a finding under (3) has been made:

(1) The court has appointed an educational representative for the child;

(2) The court has ordered a permanent plan for the child, and the court finds that the foster parent, relative caregiver, or nonrelative extended

1 family member. The child is a dependent child or ward of the court and 2 has a court-ordered permanent plan of placement with an identified 3 foster parent, relative caregiver, or nonrelative extended family 4 member. The identified caregiver may exercise educational 5 decisionmaking rights as provided in under Education Code section 6 56055 and developmental-services decisionmaking rights rule 7 5.502(13) under section 361 or 726 and is not prohibited from 8 exercising educational those rights by section 361, or 726, or 4701.6(b), 9 or by 34 Code of Federal Regulations section 300.519 or 303.<del>19422;</del> or 10 11 The court cannot identify a responsible adult to serve as the (3)(2)12 child's educational representative; rights holder under section 319, 361, 13 or 726 or under Education Code section 56055, and 14 15 (A) The child is a dependent child or ward of the court and is or may be eligible for special education and related services or already 16 17 has a valid individualized education program, and the court: is 18 referring 19 20 Refers the child to the responsible local educational agency (i) 21 for the appointment of a surrogate parent under section 361 22 or 726, Government Code section 7579.5, and title 20 23 United States Code section 1415, and rules 5.502 and 5.650: 24 and 25 26 Will, with the input of any interested person, make (ii) developmental-services decisions for the child; or 27 28 29 The appointment of a surrogate parent is not warranted, child is 30 not eligible for special education and related services, there is no 31 foster parent to exercise the authority granted by section 56055 of 32 the Education Code, and the court will, with the input of any 33 interested person, make educational and developmental-services decisions for the child. 34 35 36 (C) If the court must temporarily make educational or developmentalservices decisions for a child before disposition, it must order that 37 38 every effort be made to identify a responsible adult to make future 39 educational or developmental-services decisions for the child. 40

Nonminors and nonminor dependents (§§ 361, 726, 366.3)

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The court may, using form JV-535, appoint or continue the appointment of an educational rights holder to make educational or developmental-services decisions for a nonminor or a nonminor dependent if:

(1) The nonminor or nonminor dependent has chosen not to make educational or developmental-services decisions for him- or herself or is deemed by the court to be incompetent; and

(2) The court finds that the appointment or continuance of a rights holder would be in the best interests of the nonminor or nonminor dependent.

(c) Limits on appointment (§§ <u>319</u>, 361, 726; Ed. Code, § 56055; Gov. Code, § 7579.5(i)–(j); 34 C.F.R. §§ 300.519, 303.<del>19</del>422)

(1) The court <u>must determine whether</u> should consider appointing a responsible adult relative, nonrelative extended family member, foster parent, family friend, mentor, or CASA volunteer or other adult known to the child is available and willing to serve as the educational representative rights holder and, if one of those adults is available and willing to serve, should consider appointing that person before appointing or temporarily appointing a responsible adult not known to the child.

The court may not appoint any individual as the educational representative rights holder if that person is excluded under, or would have a conflict of interest as defined by, section 361(a) or 726(b); Education Code section 56055; Government Code section 7579.5(i)—(j); title-20 United States Code section 1415(b)(2); or 34 Code of Federal Regulations section 300.519 or 303.19422.

(d) Referral to local educational agency to for appointment a of surrogate parent for a child who is or may be eligible for special education and related services (§§ 361, 726; Gov. Code, § 7579.5; 20 U.S.C. § 1415)

(1) If the court has limited a parent's or guardian's right to make educational decisions for a child but and cannot identify an a responsible adult to act as educational representative rights holder, for the child and the child is or may be eligible for special education and related services or already has an individualized education program, the court must use form JV-535 to refer the child to the responsible local educational agency for prompt appointment of a surrogate parent under Government Code section 7579.5.

- (2) If the court refers a child to the local educational agency for appointment of a surrogate parent, the court must order that *Local Educational Agency Response to JV-535—Appointment of Surrogate Parent* (form JV-536) be attached to form JV-535 and served by first-class mail on the local educational agency along with form JV-535, no later than seven calendar five court days after from the date of the order is signed.
- (3) The court must direct the local education<u>al</u> agency that when the <del>local education</del> agency receives form JV-535, requesting prompt appointment of a surrogate parent, the <del>local education</del> agency must make reasonable efforts to <del>assign identify and appoint</del> a surrogate parent within 30 calendar days <u>after of service of the court's referral.</u>
  - (A) Whenever the local educational agency appoints a surrogate parent for a dependent or ward under Government Code section 7579.5(a)(1), it must notify the court on form JV-536 within seven calendar five court days of the appointment and, at the same time, must send copies of the notice to the child's attorney and the social worker or probation officer identified on the form.
  - (B) If the local education<u>al</u> agency does not appoint a surrogate parent within 30 days of receipt of the form<u>a</u> judicial request, within the next seven calendar days it must notify the court within the next five court days on form JV-536 of the following:
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- (ii) Its continuing reasonable efforts to assign identify and appoint a surrogate parent.
- (4) Whenever the <u>a</u> surrogate parent resigns or the local education<u>al</u> agency terminates the appointment of a surrogate parent, for a dependent or ward under Government Code section 7579.5(h) or replaces the <u>a</u> surrogate parent for any other reason, or appoints another surrogate parent, it must notify the court, and the child's attorney, and the social worker or probation officer on form JV-536 within seven calendar five court days of the resignation, termination, or replacement, or appointment. The child's attorney, the social worker, or the probation officer may request a hearing for appointment of a new educational representative rights holder by filing Request for Hearing Regarding Child's Education Access to Services (form JV-539) and must provide

notice of the hearing as provided in  $\frac{g}{2}$ . The court  $\frac{may}{2}$ , on its own motion,  $\frac{may}{2}$  direct the clerk to set a hearing.

# (e) Transfer of parent's or guardian's educational <u>or developmental-services decisionmaking</u> rights to educational <del>representative</del> <u>rights</u> holder

When the court appoints an educational representative is appointed rights holder after limiting a parent's or guardian's educational or developmental-services decisionmaking rights, the educational those decisionmaking rights of the parent or guardian—including the right to notice of educational or developmental-services meetings and activities, participation in educational or developmental-services meetings and activities, and decisionmaking authority regarding the child's education or developmental services, including the authority under section 4701.6, Education Code section 56028, title-20 United States Code sections 1232g and 1401(23), and 34 Code of Federal Regulations section 300.30, and Education Code section 56028—are transferred to the educational representative rights holder unless the court specifies otherwise in its order.

(1) When returning a child to a parent or guardian, the court must consider the child's educational <u>and developmental services</u> needs. The parent's or guardian's educational <u>and developmental-services decisionmaking</u> rights are reinstated when the court returns custody to the parent or guardian unless the court finds that the parent is not able to act in the child's best interest <u>when making decisions</u> regarding education <u>or</u> developmental services.

(2) If the court appoints a guardian for the child under rule 5.735 or 5.815, all of the parent's or <u>previous guardian</u>'s educational <u>and developmental-services decisionmaking rights transfer to the newly appointed guardian unless the court determines that the guardian is not able to act in the child's best interest <u>when making decisions regarding education or developmental services</u>.</u>

(f) Authority and responsibilities of educational representative (§§ 317, 319, 360, 361, 635, 706.5, 726, 4514, 4646–4648, 4700–4731, 5328; Ed. Code, §§ 56055, 56340, 56345; Gov. Code, §§ 7579.5, 95014–95020; 34 C.F.R. § 300.519)

(1) The educational representative <u>rights holder</u> is responsible for <u>investigating the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's</u> educational and developmental-services needs, determining whether

1 those needs are being met, and representing acting on behalf of the 2 child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent in the identification, 3 evaluation, and educational placement of the child and with the 4 provision of the child's free, appropriate public education. This 5 includes representing the childin all matters relating to the 6 child'sprovision of educational and developmental services including to 7 ensure: 8 9 (A) The stability of the child's pupil's school placement. At any 10 hearing following a change of educational placement, the 11 educational rights holder must submit a statement to the court 12 indicating whether the proposed change of placement is in the 13 pupil's best interest and whether any efforts have been made to 14 keep the pupil in the school of origin; 15 16 (B) Placement in the least restrictive educational program appropriate 17 to the child's pupil's individual needs; 18 19 (C) The child's pupil's access to academic resources, services, and 20 extracurricular and enrichment activities; 21 22 (D) The child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's access to any 23 educational and developmental services and supports necessary 24 needed to meet state standards for academic achievement and 25 functional performance, or to promote community integration, an independent, productive, and normal life, and a stable and healthy 26 27 environment: 28 29 (E) School The prompt and appropriate resolution of school 30 disciplinary matters; and 31 32 (F) Other aspects of The provision of any other elements of a free, 33 appropriate public education-; and 34 35 (G) The provision of any appropriate early intervention or developmental services required by law, including by the 36 California Early Intervention Services Act or the Lanterman 37 38 Developmental Disabilities Services Act. 39 40 The educational representative rights holder must also: has the 41 following additional responsibilities: 42

1 2 3		(A)	Meeting with the <u>child</u> , <u>nonminor</u> , <u>or nonminor dependent</u> at least once and as often as necessary to make educational <u>or</u> <u>developmental-services</u> decisions that are in the best interest of
4			the child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent;
5 6 7 8		(B)	Being culturally sensitive to the child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent;
6 9 10 11		(C)	Complying with <u>all federal</u> and state confidentiality laws, including section 827 and Government Code section 7579.1(f)7579.5(f);
12 13 14 15		(D)	Participating Participate in, and making make decisions regarding, all matters affecting the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's educational and developmental-services needs—
16 17 18 19			including the individualized family service planning process, the individualized education program planning process, the individual program planning process, the fair hearing process (including mediation and any other informal dispute resolution meetings),
20 21 22 23			and as otherwise specified in the court order—in a manner consistent with the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's best interest; and
24 25 26 27		(E)	Having Have knowledge and skills that ensure adequate representation of the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's needs and interest with respect to education and developmental services.
28 29 30 31 32 33 34	(3)	must nonr	ore each statutory review hearing, the educational rights holder t provide information and recommendations concerning the child's, minor's, or nonminor dependent's educational or developmentalices needs to the assigned social worker or probation officer; and expression of the content of the
35 36 37 38		<u>(A)</u>	Make written recommendations to the court concerning the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's educational or developmental-services needs; or
39 40 41 42		<u>(B)</u>	Attend the review hearing and participate in any part of the hearing that concerns the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's education or developmental services.

1 The educational representative rights holder acts as and holds the rights (4) 2 of the parent or guardian in all educational matters with respect to all 3 decisions regarding the child's education and developmental services, 4 and has a right is entitled to the following: 5 6 (A) To the rights afforded the access records and to authorize the 7 disclosure of information to the same extent as a parent or 8 guardian under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 9 title-20 United States Code section 1232g; 10 11 (B) To the right of a parent receive notice of and participate in all meetings or proceedings relating to school discipline issues, 12 13 meetings, and proceedings; 14 15 (C) To represent advocate for the interests of a child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent with exceptional needs in matters relating to: 16 17 18 (i) the identification and assessment of those needs; 19 20 (ii) instructional or service planning and program 21 development—including the development of an 22 individualized family service plan, an individualized 23 educational program, an individual program plan, or the 24 provision of other services and supports, as applicable; 25 26 (iii) educational placement, reviewing and revising placement in 27 the least restrictive program appropriate to the child's, 28 nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's educational or 29 developmental needs; 30 31 (iv) the review or revision of the individualized family service 32 plan, the individualized education program, or the individual 33 program plan; 34 35 and other aspects of the provision of a free, appropriate (v) 36 public education; 37 38 (D) To attend and participate in the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor 39 dependent's individualized family service plan, individualized 40 education program, individual program plan, and other educational or service planning meetings; to consult with persons 41 42 involved in the provision of the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor 43 dependent's education or developmental services; and to sign any

1			consents to education- <u>or development-</u> related services and plans;
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4			(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, to consent to the
5			child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's individualized
6			family service plan, individualized education program, or
7 8			individual program plan, including any related nonemergency
9			medical services, mental health treatment services, and
10			occupational or physical therapy services provided under <del>chapter</del>
11			<del>26.5 of title 1 sections 7570–7587</del> of the Government Code.
12		(5)	The advectional rights holder may provide the contest information for
13		<u>(5)</u>	The educational rights holder may provide the contact information for
13 14			the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's attorney to the local
15			educational agency.
16	(g)	Edu	cational representative's Term of service; resignation (§§ 319, 361,
17	<b>(g)</b>		Gov. Code § 7579.5)
18		120,	dov. code § 7377.5)
19		(1)	The An appointed educational representative rights holder must make
20		(1)	educational or developmental-services decisions for the child until:
21			educational of developmental services decisions for the child until.
22			(A) The conclusion of the dispositional hearing or the dismissal of the
23			petition, if the rights holder is appointed under section 319(g);
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25			(B) The court restores The rights of the parent or guardian to make
26			educational <u>or developmental-services</u> decisions for the child <u>are</u>
27			fully restored;
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29			(B)(C) The child dependent or ward reaches 18 years of age, unless
30			the child he or she chooses not to make his or her own educational
31			or developmental-services decisions or is deemed incompetent by
32			the court, in which case the court may, if it finds that continuation
33			would be in the best interests of the nonminor or nonminor
34			dependent, continue the appointment until that person reaches 21
35			years of age or the court's jurisdiction is terminated;
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37			(C)(D) The court appoints another <u>responsible adult as</u> educational
38			representative rights holder for the child, nonminor, or nonminor
39			<u>dependent</u> under this rule;
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1		<del>(E)</del> (F)	The court <del>finds that the <u>designates a</u> foster parent, relative</del>
2		care	egiver, or nonrelative extended family member may to make
3		edu	cational <u>or developmental-services</u> decisions <del>for the child</del>
4			er Education Code section 56055(a) because:
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6		(i)	The Reunification services have been terminated and the
7			child's court-ordered permanent plan is placement child is
8			placed in a planned permanent living arrangement with that
9			identified caregiver under section 366.21(g)(35), 366.22,
10			366.26, 366.3(i), 727.3(b)(5), or 727.3(b)(6); and
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12		(ii)	The court has limited the parent's or guardian's educational
12 13			rights; and
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15		<del>(iii)</del>	—The foster parent, relative caregiver, or nonrelative extended
16			family member is not otherwise excluded from making
17			education or developmental-services decisions by the court,
18			by section 361 or 726, or by 34 Code of Federal Regulations
19			section 300.519 or 303. <del>19</del> 422.
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21	(2)	If the an	appointed educational representative rights holder resigns
22		from the	his or her appointment, he or she must provide give notice to
22 23 24 25		the court	and to the child's attorney and may use Educational
24		Represen	tative or Surrogate Parent Information Rights Holder
25		<u>Statemen</u>	$\underline{t}$ (form JV-537) to provide this notice. Once notice is
26		received,	the child's <u>or nonminor dependent's</u> attorney <u>or the social</u>
27		worker o	r probation officer may request a hearing for appointment of a
28		new educ	cational representative rights holder by filing form JV-539.
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30			ney for the party requesting the hearing and must provide
31		notice of	the hearing to-the following:
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33			e parents or guardians, unless otherwise indicated on the most
34		rece	ent form JV-535, parental rights have been terminated, or the
35		<u>chil</u>	d has reached 18 years of age;
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37		(B) <u>Eac</u>	h attorney of record;
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39		<u>(C)</u> <u>T</u> he	social worker <del>; the</del> <u>or</u> probation officer;
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<b>41</b>		<u>(D)</u> <u>T</u> he	Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer; and
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13		(E) <u>All</u>	other persons required to be given notice under section 293.

1 2 The hearing must be set within 14 days of receipt of the request for 3 hearing. The court may, on its own motion, may direct the clerk to set a 4 hearing. 5 6 **(h)** Service of order 7 8 If the order identifies or appoints a new or different educational rights 9 holder, the clerk will provide a copy of the completed and signed form JV-10 535, form JV-535(A) if attached, and any received form JV-536 or JV-537 11 to: 12 13 (1) The child, if 10 years of age or older, nonminor, or nonminor 14 dependent; 15 16 (2) The child's attorney, for the child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent; 17 18 (3) The social worker and the or-probation officer; 19 20 (4) The local foster youth educational liaison, as defined in Education 21 Code section 48853.5; and 22 23 The county office of education foster youth services coordinator; (5) 24 25 (6) The regional center service coordinator; 26 27 (7) The educational representative rights holder; and 28 29 (8) The immediately preceding educational rights holder, if any, 30 31 at the end of the proceeding or no later than seven calendar five court days 32 after from the date of the order is signed. 33 34 The clerk will make the form available to the parents or guardians, unless 35 otherwise indicated on the form, parental rights have been terminated, or the child has reached 18 years of age and reunification services have been 36 terminated; to the CASA volunteer; and, if requested, to all other persons 37 38 provided entitled to notice under section 293. Whoever is directed by the court on form JV-535 must provide a copy of the form to the local education 39 40 agency. 41 42 Education and training of educational representative rights holder (i)

If the educational representative rights holder asks for assistance in obtaining education and training in the laws incorporated in rule 5.651(a)5.652(a), the court must direct the clerk, social worker, or probation officer to inform the educational representative rights holder of all available resources, including resources available through the California Department of Education, the California Department of Developmental Services, and the local educational agency, and the local regional center.

# (j) Notice of and participation in juvenile court hearings

(1) The educational representative rights holder must receive notice of and be permitted to participate in all juvenile court regularly scheduled hearings regarding or affecting the child's and other judicial hearings that might affect education and developmental services, including joint assessment hearings under rule 5.512 and joinder proceedings under rule 5.575. This includes the notice and participation provided in rule 5.530 for all regularly scheduled juvenile hearings, rule 5.512 for joint assessment hearings, and rule 5.575 for joinder proceedings.

(2) The educational representative rights holder may use form JV-537 to explain the child's any educational or developmental-services needs to the court. The court may allow the educational representative rights holder to be present for the purposes of participating in the portions of the juvenile court hearing that concern the child's education, including school placement, and of responding to questions or issues raised by the form. The court may allow the educational representative to participate in any mediation as provided in rule 5.518 at and to participate in any nonjudicial hearing or mediation that could affect education or developmental services.

#### **Advisory Committee Comment**

Under the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the court may appoint a surrogate parent for a child to represent the a child's rights in all matters relating to the identification assessment, evaluation, and educational placement of the child and to the provision of the child's free, appropriate public education. (20 U.S.C. § 1415(b)(2); 34 C.F.R. § 300.519.) Under Welfare and Institutions Code sections 361 and 726, the court may must appoint a responsible adult as an educational representative or rights holder to represent make decisions regarding the child's educational or developmental-services needs when the parent's educational rights to make those decisions have been limited. When the court appoints an educational representative rights holder, that person is responsible for representing all-protecting the child's rights and interests with respect to educational or developmental-services needs, including any special education and related services needs. When making this appointment, the court and all court participants are encouraged to look to all persons in the child's life, including relatives,

nonrelated extended family members, and those persons with whom the child has an important relationship, to represent the child's educational needs.

If the court <u>limits the parent's decisionmaking</u> rights and cannot <del>find anyone identify</del> a responsible adult to appoint as the child's educational representative rights holder, and special education needs are not indicated the appointment of a surrogate parent is not warranted, sections 361 and 726 state that authorize the court can to make educational or developmental-services decisions for the child with the input of interested persons. However, If, however, the court cannot find someone identify a responsible adult to appoint as educational representative rights holder and there is reason to believe that the child needs special education is indicated and related services, the court must refer the matter-child to the local educational agency (LEA) for the appointment of a surrogate parent. Sections 361 and 726 do not permit-authorize the court to make *educational* decisions for a child in these <del>cases</del>circumstances. The surrogate parent assigned appointed by the LEA acts as a parent for the purpose of making educational decisions with respect to special education and related services and the provision of a free, appropriate public education on behalf of the child. (Gov. Code, § 7579.5(c); Ed. Code, § 56028; 34 C.F.R. § 300.30(b)(2); see 20 U.S.C. §§ 1401(9), 1414(d).) The appointment of a surrogate parent notwithstanding, the court holds the authority under sections 361 and 726 to make developmentalservices decisions if it cannot identify a responsible adult to do so.

# Rule <u>5.6515.652</u>. Educational <u>and developmental-services</u> rights <u>of children</u> <u>before the juvenile court</u>

(a) Applicability (§§ 213.5, 319, 358, 358.1, 364, 366.21, 366.22, 366.23, 366.26, 366.28, 366.3, 727.2, 4500 et seq., 11404.1; Gov. Code, § 7579.1; 20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.; 29 U.S.C. § 794; 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq.)

This rule incorporates all rights with respect to education or developmental services recognized or established by state or federal law and applies: has the following applicability and incorporates the rights established by the following laws:

(1) The rule applies To all any children for whom a petitions have has been filed under section 300, 601, or 602 until the petition is dismissed or the court has terminated jurisdiction over the child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent; and

 (2) The rule applies To every judicial hearing before the court affecting or related to, or that might affect, the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's education or receipt of developmental services, including the initial/detention, jurisdictional, dispositional, and all-regularly scheduled review hearings; and.

(3) The rule incorporates the rights established by the following laws: the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.),

1 the Americans With Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq.), 2 section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 701 et seq.). 3 and the education rights of foster children as provided in Assembly Bill 4 490 (Stats. 2003, ch. 862) and Assembly Bill 1858 (Stats. 2004, ch. 5 914). 6 7 Conduct of hearings related to, or that may affect, a child's education or **(b)** 8 developmental services 9 10 (1) To the extent the information is available, at the initial or detention 11 hearing the court must consider: 12 13 (A) Who holds educational and developmental-services 14 decisionmaking rights; 15 16 (B) Whether If the child pupil was enrolled in, and is attending, the 17 child's pupil's school of origin as defined in Education Code 18 section 48853.5(e)(f); 19 20 (C) If the child pupil is no longer attending the school of origin, 21 whether;: 22 23 In accordance with the child's pupil's best interest, the (i) 24 foster youth educational liaison, as defined described in 25 Education Code section 48853.5(b), in consultation with, 26 and with the agreement of, the child-pupil and the parent, or 27 guardian, or other appointed educational representative 28 rights holder, recommends that the child's pupil's right to 29 attend the school of origin be waived; 30 31 Prior to Before making any recommendation to move a (ii) 32 foster child the pupil from his or her school of origin, the 33 educational liaison provided the child pupil and the person 34 holding the right to make educational decisions for the child 35 pupil's educational rights holder with a written explanation stating of the basis for the recommendation and how this 36 37 recommendation serves the foster child's pupil's best 38 interest as provided in Education Code section 39 48853.5(d)(3)48853.5(e)(7); 40 41 (iii) Without obtaining having granted a waiver, the child-pupil 42 was not afforded his or her right to attend his or her school

1 2			of origin under Education Code section 48853.5(d)(1)48853.5(e)(1); and
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4			(iv) The child-pupil was immediately enrolled in the new school
5			as provided in Education Code section
6			48853.5(d)(4)48853.5(e)(8)-;
7			1000010 (d)(1) <u>1000010 (0)(0)</u> 1.
8		(D)	Whether the parent's or guardian's educational or developmental-
9		(- )	services decisionmaking rights should be temporarily limited and
10			an educational rights holder appointed using form JV-535; and
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12		(E)	Taking into account other statutory considerations regarding
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15			(i) Is the environment best suited to meet the unique
16			exceptional needs of a children with disabilities and to serve
17			the child's best interest if he or she has a disability; and
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21	(2)	At th	ne dispositional hearing and at all subsequent hearings provided for
22			ribed in (a)(2), the juvenile court must:
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24		(A)	address and Consider and determine whether the child's,
25			nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's general and special
26			educational, physical, mental health, and developmental-services
27			needs, including any need for special education and related
28			services, are being met;
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30		<u>(B)</u>	Identify the educational rights holder on form JV-535; and
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32		<u>(C)</u>	Direct the rights holder to take all appropriate steps to ensure that
33			the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's educational and
34			developmental-services needs are met. identify a plan for meeting
35			those needs, and provide a clear, written statement using Findings
36			and Orders Limiting Right to Make Educational Decisions for the
37			Child, Appointing Educational Representative, and Determining
38			Child's Educational Needs (form JV-535), specifying the person
39			who holds the educational rights for the child.
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41	The c	ourt'	s findings and orders must address the following:
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1 (A) Whether the child's educational, physical, mental health, and 2 developmental-services needs are being met; 3 4 (B) Any What services, assessments, or evaluations, including those 5 for developmental services or for special education and related 6 services, that the child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent may 7 need: 8 9 (C) Who is directed to must take the necessary steps for the child, 10 nonminor, or nonminor dependent to begin receiving receive any 11 necessary assessments, evaluations, or services; 12 13 (D) If the child's a pupil's educational placement changed during the 14 reporting period under review, whether: 15 16 (i) The child's pupil's educational records, including any 17 evaluations of a child pupil with a disability, were transferred to the new educational placement within two 18 19 business days of the request for the child's pupil's 20 enrollment in the new educational placement; and 21 22 (ii) The child pupil is enrolled in and attending school; and 23 24 (E) Whether the parent's or guardian's educational or developmental-25 services decisionmaking rights should be limited or, if previously limited, whether those rights should be restored;. 26 27 28 (i) If the court finds that the parent's or guardian's educational 29 or developmental-services decisionmaking rights should not be limited or should be restored, the court must direct 30 31 explain to the parent to his or her rights and responsibilities 32 in regard to the child's education and developmental 33 services as provided in rule 5.6501(e) and (f); or 34 35 (ii) If the court finds that the parent's or guardian's educational or developmental-services decisionmaking rights should be 36 or remain limited, the court must determine who will hold 37 38 the child's educational designate the holder of those rights. 39 The court must explain to the parent or guardian why the 40 court is limiting his or her educational or developmentalservices decisionmaking rights and must direct the parent or 41 42 guardian to explain the rights and responsibilities of the

1 2			education <u>al rights holder</u> representative as provided in rule 5.6501(e) and (f)-; and		
3			3.030 <u>1</u> (e) and (1). <u>, and</u>		
4			(E) Whether, in the case of a nonminor or nonminor dependent who		
5			has chosen not to make educational or developmental-services		
6			decisions for him- or herself or has been deemed incompetent, it		
7			is in the best interests of that person to appoint or to continue the		
8			appointment of an educational rights holder.		
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10	<b>(c)</b>	Reports for hearings related to, or that may affect, a child's education or developmental services			
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13		This	subdivision applies at all hearings, including dispositional and joint		
14			sment hearings. The court must ensure that, to the extent the		
15			mation was available, the social worker and the probation officer		
16			ded the following information in the report for the hearing:		
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18		(1)	The child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's age, behavior,		
19			educational level, and developmental achievement status, and any		
20			discrepancies in between the person's age and his or her level of		
21			achievement in education and in or level of cognitive, physical, and		
22			emotional development;		
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24		(2)	Identification of The child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's		
25			educational, physical, mental health, or developmental <u>-services</u> needs;		
26 27		(2)	Whather the shild pupil is portionating in developmentally appropriate		
27 28		(3)	Whether the <u>child pupil</u> is participating in developmentally appropriate extracurricular and social activities;		
28 29			extraculticular and social activities,		
30		(4)	Whether the <u>child-pupil</u> is attending a comprehensive, regular, public or		
31			private school;		
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33		(5)	Whether the child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent may have		
34		` ,	physical, mental, or learning-related disabilities or other special		
35			education needs and is in need of or is already receiving characteristics		
36			indicating a need for developmental services or special education and		
37			related services as provided by the laws incorporated in rule 5.651(a)(3)		
38			state or federal law;		
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40			If the child is 0 to 3 years old, whether the child may be eligible for or		
41			is already receiving <u>early education services or services available</u> under		
42			the California Early Intervention Services Act (Gov. Code, § 95000 et		

seq.), and whether those services are appropriate, if the child is already receiving services, the specific nature of those services;

(7) If the child is between 3 and 5 years <u>old</u> and is or may be eligible for special education <u>and related</u> services, whether the child is receiving the early educational opportunities provided by Education Code section 56001 and, if so, the specific nature of those opportunities;

(8) Whether the child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent is receiving appropriate special education and related services or any other services through a current individualized education program and, if so, the specific nature of those services. A copy of the current individualized education program should be attached to the report unless disclosure would create a risk of harm. In that case, the report should explain the risk;

(9) Whether the child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent is or may be eligible for regional center services or is already receiving regional center-developmental services and, if that person is already receiving developmental services, the specific nature of those services. Copies A copy of the any current individualized family service plan as defined in section 1436 under title 20 of the United States Code and the current life quality assessments as defined in Welfare and Institutions Code section 4570 or individual program plan should be attached to the report unless disclosure would create a risk of harm. In that case, the report should explain the risk;

(10) Whether the parent's or guardian's educational <u>or developmental-services decisionmaking</u> rights have been or should be limited <u>or restored</u>;

(11) If the social worker or probation officer recommends that the court limiting the parent's or guardian's rights to make educational or developmental-services decisions, the reasons those rights should be limited and the actions that the parent or guardian may take to restore those rights if they are limited;

(12) If the parent's or guardian's educational <u>or developmental-services</u> <u>decisionmaking</u> rights have been limited, <del>who holds the identity of the child's designated or appointed educational rights holder or surrogate parent;</del>

1 (13) Recommendations and case plan goals to meet the child's, nonminor's, 2 or nonminor dependent's identified educational, physical, mental 3 health, and developmental-services needs; 4 5 (14) Whether any orders to direct an appropriate person to take the 6 necessary steps for the child to begin receiving receive assessments. 7 evaluations, or services, including those for developmental services or 8 for special education and related services, are requested; and 9 10 (15) In the case of a joint assessments, a separate statements by each of the 11 two departments regarding the child welfare department and the 12 probation department, each addressing whether the respective social 13 worker and probation officer believe that the child may have a 14 disability and whether the child is in-needs of-developmental services 15 or special education and related services or requires qualifies for any 16 assessment or evaluation as required by title 20 United States Code 17 section 1412(a)(3), Education Code section 56425, or section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 required by state or federal law. 18 19 20 Continuances or stay of jurisdiction, stay, or suspension (§§ 357, 358, 21 702, 705) 22 23 If any continuance provided for in the court continues the dispositional 24 hearing under rules 5.686 and or 5.782 or stays of jurisdiction provided for in 25 the proceedings or suspends jurisdiction under rule 5.645 is granted, the 26 child must continue to receive all services or accommodations required by 27 the laws incorporated in rule 5.651(a)(3) state or federal law. 28 29 Change of placement affecting the child's pupil's right to attend the (e) 30 school of origin 31 32 This subdivision applies to all changes of placement, including the initial 33 placement and all-any subsequent changes of placement. 34 35 (1) At any hearing that relates to or may affect the child's pupil's education 36 and that follows a removal of the child pupil from the school of origin, 37 the placement agency must demonstrate that, and the court must find 38 that determine whether: 39 40 (A) The social worker or probation officer notified the court, the 41 child's pupil's attorney, and the educational representative rights

holder or surrogate parent, no more than one court day after

making the determination, that the proposed placement or change

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of placement would result in a-removal of the child-from the child's school of origin. The court must find that the notice was provided within 24 hours, excluding nonjudicial days, of the social worker's or probation officer's determination that the proposed change of placement would result in removal of the child from the school of origin.

- (B) If the child-pupil had a disability and an active individualized education program prior to before removal, the social worker or probation officer, at least 10 days before the change of placement, notified in writing the local educational agency that provided a special education program for the child-pupil prior to removal and the receiving special education local plan area, as defined described in Government Code section 7579.1, of the impending change of placement.
- (2) After receipt of the notice in (1):
  - (A) The <u>child's pupil's</u> attorney must, as appropriate, discuss the proposed move from the school of origin with the <u>child pupil</u> and the person who holds educational rights. The <u>child's pupil's</u> attorney may request a hearing by filing <u>Request for Hearing</u> <u>Regarding Child's Education</u> (form JV-539). If requesting a hearing, the <u>child's</u> attorney must:
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    - (ii) Provide notice of the eourt hearing date, which will be no later than seven calendar days after the form was filed, to the parents or guardians, unless otherwise indicated on form JV-535, parental rights have been terminated, or the pupil has reached 18 years of age and reunification services have been terminated; the social worker; the or probation officer; the educational representative rights holder or surrogate parent; the foster youth educational liaison, as defined in Education Code section 48853.5; the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer; and all other persons required by section 293.
  - (B)-(C) \*\*\*
- (3) If removal from the school of origin is disputed, the <u>ehild pupil</u> must be allowed to remain in the school of origin pending this hearing and

1 pending the resolution of any disagreement between the child-pupil, 2 parent, guardian, or educational representative-rights holder and the 3 school district local educational agency. 4 5 (4) If the court sets a hearing in response to a request or on its own motion, 6 the child's attorney, or the person who holds educational rights requests 7 a hearing, at the hearing the court must find that the social worker or 8 probation officer must provided a report no later than two court days 9 after form JV-539 was filed and the hearing is set that the report 10 includeds the information required by (b)(1)(C)(i) and (ii) and as well 11 as the following: 12 13 (A) Whether the foster child pupil has been allowed to continue his or 14 her education in the school of origin for the duration of the 15 academic school year to the extent required by Education Code 16 section 48853.5; 17 18 (B) Whether a dispute exists regarding the request of a foster child 19 pupil to remain in the school of origin and whether the foster 20 child-pupil has been afforded the right to remain in the school of 21 origin pending resolution of the dispute; 22 23 (C) Information addressing whether the information-sharing and other 24 requirements in section 16501.1(c)(2) and Education Code section 25 49069.5 have been followed met; 26 27 (D) Information addressing how the proposed change serves the best 28 interests of the child pupil; 29 30 The responses to the proposed change of placement from of the (E) 31 ehild-pupil, if over 10 years old; the ehild's-pupil's attorney; the 32 parent, or guardian, or other educational rights holder; the foster 33 youth educational liaison, as defined in Education Code section 34 48853.5; and the child's CASA volunteer to the proposed change 35 of placement, specifying whether each person agrees or disagrees 36 with the proposed change and, if any person disagrees, stating 37 why; and 38 39 (F) A statement from the person holding educational rights regarding 40 whether the proposed change of placement is in the child's best 41 interest and what efforts have been made to keep the child in the 42 school of origin; and 43

1 (G) A statement from the social worker or probation officer 2 confirming that the child pupil has not been segregated in a 3 separate school, or in a separate program within a school, based 4 on the child's status as a child-placement in foster care. 5 6 **(f)** Court review of proposed change of placement affecting the child's right 7 to attend the school of origin 8 9 (1) At the a hearing set under (e)(2), the court must: 10 11 (A) Determine whether the proposed placement meets the requirements of this rule and Education Code sections 48853.5 12 13 and 49069.5 and whether the proposed plan is based on in the best 14 interests of the child pupil; 15 16 (B) Determine what actions are necessary to ensure the child's pupil's 17 educational and developmental-services disability-rights; and 18 19 (C) Make the necessary any findings and orders needed to enforce 20 these those rights, which may include an order to set a hearing 21 under section 362 to join the necessary agencies regarding 22 provision of services, including the provision of transportation 23 services, so that the child pupil may remain in his or her school of 24 origin. 25 26 When considering whether it is in the child's pupil's best interest to 27 remain in the school of origin, the court must consider the following: 28 29 (A) Whether the parent, guardian, or other appointed educational 30 representative-rights holder believes that remaining in the school 31 of origin is in the child's pupil's best interest; 32 33 (B) How the proposed change of placement will affect the stability of 34 the child's pupil's school placement and the child's pupil's access 35 to academic resources, services, and extracurricular and 36 enrichment activities; 37 38 (C) Whether the proposed school placement would allow the child 39 pupil to be placed in the least restrictive educational program; and 40 41 (D) Whether the child-pupil has the educational and developmental 42 services and supports necessary, including those for special

1 education and related services, necessary to meet state academic 2 achievement standards. 3 4 (3) \* \* \* 5 6 **Advisory Committee Comment** 7 8 This rule incorporates the requirement of, and rights established by, Assembly Bill 490 9 (Steinberg; Stats. 2003, ch. 862), Assembly Bill 1858 (Steinberg; Stats. 2004, ch. 914), the 10 Individuals With Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), 11 and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. This rule does not limit these requirements or 12 rights. To the extent necessary, this rule establishes procedures to make these laws meaningful to 13 children in foster care. 14 15 With the passage of Assembly Bill 490, A child in, or at risk of entering, foster care has a 16 statutory right to a meaningful opportunity to meet the state's academic achievement standards to 17 which all students are held. To afford the child this right, the juvenile court, advocates, placing 18 agencies, care providers, and educators, and service providers must work together to maintain 19 stable school placements and ensure that the child is placed in the least restrictive educational 20

programs and has access to the academic resources, services, and extracurricular and enrichment activities that are available to other students. This rule, sections 362 and 727, and rule 5.575 provide procedures for ensuring coordinating the provision of services to ensure that the child's educational and developmental-services needs are met.

Congress has found that improving the educational performance of children with disabilities is an essential prerequisite to ensuring their equality of opportunity, full participation in education, and economic self-sufficiency. Children in foster care are disproportionately represented in the population of children with disabilities and inherently face systemic challenges to attaining selfsufficiency. Children in foster care have rights arising out of federal and state law, including the IDEA, the ADA, and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. To comply with federal requirements regarding the identification of children with disabilities and the provision of services to those children who qualify, the court, parent or guardian, placing agency, attorneys, CASA volunteer, local educational agencies, and educational representatives-rights holders must affirmatively address the child's educational and developmental-services needs. The court must continually inquire about the educational and developmental-services needs of the child and the progress being made to enforce any rights the child has under these laws.

Rule <del>5.652</del>5.653. \* \* \*

Rule 5.660. Attorneys for parties (§§ 317, 317.6, 353, 366.26, 16010.6, 366.26)

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1 2 3 (1)–(4)\* \* \* 4 5 Attorney contact information 6 7 The attorney for a child for whom a dependency petition has been filed 8 must provide his or her contact information to the child's caregiver no 9 later than 10 days after receipt of the name, address, and telephone 10 number of the child's caregiver. If the child is 10 years of age or older, 11 the attorney must also provide his or her contact information to the 12 child for whom a dependency petition has been filed no later than 10 13 days after receipt of the caregiver's contact information. The attorney 14 may give contact information to a child for whom a dependency 15 petition has been filed who is under 10 years of age. At least once a 16 year, if the list of educational liaisons is available online from the 17 Department of Education, the child's attorney must provide his or her 18 contact information to the foster youth educational liaison of each local 19 educational agency serving the attorney's clients in foster care in the 20 county of jurisdiction as required by section 317(e)(4). 21 22 \* \* \* (6) 23 24 \* \* \* (e)–(g)25 26 27 Rule 5.695. Findings and orders of the court—disposition 28 29 \* \* \* (a)–(b)30 31 Limitations on parental control (§§ 245.5, 319, 361, 362; Gov. Code, 32 § 7579.5) 33 \* \* \* 34 (1)–(2)35 36 37 The court must consider whether it is necessary to limit the rights of the (3) 38 parent or guardian to make educational or developmental-services 39 decisions for the child. If the court limits the those rights, it must 40 follow the procedures stated in rules 5.650–5.651. 41 \* \* \* 42 (d)–(e)

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## (f) Family-finding determination (§ 309)

(1) The If the child is removed, the court must consider whether the social worker has used exercised due diligence in conducting the investigation to identify, locate, and notify the child's relatives. The court may consider the activities listed in (g) as examples of due diligence-the activities listed in subdivision (g) of this rule.

If the disposition hearing is continued, the court may set a hearing to be held at any time after 30 days from the date of removal or as soon as possible thereafter to consider whether the social worker has used exercised due diligence in conducting the investigation to identify, locate, and contact notify the child's relatives.

- (2) The court must make one of the following findings:
  - (A) The social worker has used due diligence in conducting its <u>the</u> investigation to identify, locate, and notify the child's relatives; or
  - (B) The social worker has not used due diligence in conducting its investigation to identify, locate, and notify the child's relatives. If the court makes this finding, the court may order the social worker to use due diligence in conducting an investigation to identify, locate, and notify the child's relatives—except for any individual the social worker identifies who is inappropriate to notify under rule 5.637(b)—and may require a written or oral report to the court at a later time.
- (2) If the court finds that the social worker has not exercised due diligence, the court may order the probation officer to exercise due diligence in conducting an investigation to identify, locate, and notify the child's relatives—except for any individual the social worker identifies as inappropriate to notify under rule 5.637(b)—and may require a written or oral report to the court.

#### (g) <u>Due Diligence (§ 309)</u>

When making the <u>finding inquiry</u> required <u>under paragraph in (f)(2) of this</u> rule, the court may consider, among other examples of due diligence to identify, locate, and notify the child's relatives, whether the social worker has done any of the following:

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1 2 (h) Provision of reunification services (§ 361.5) 3 \* \* \* 4 (1)–(13)5 6 (14) If, with the exception of (6)(A), the court orders no reunification 7 services for every parent otherwise eligible for such services under 8 (f)(1) and (2), the court must conduct a hearing under section 366.26 9 within 120 days and 10 11 (A) Order that the social worker provide a copy of the child's birth 12 certificate to the caregiver as required by section 16010.5(b)–(c); 13 and 14 15 (B) Order that the social worker provide a child 16 years of age or 16 older with a certified copy of his or her birth certificate unless the 17 court finds that provision of the birth certificate would be 18 inappropriate. 19 (15)–(19) \*\*\* 20 21 \* \* \* 22 (i)–(I)23 24 25 Rule 5.708. General review hearing requirements 26 27 \* \* \* (a) 28 29 **(b)** Notice of hearing (§ 293) 30 31 The petitioner or the <del>court</del>-clerk must serve written notice of review hearings 32 on Notice of Review Hearing (form JV-280), in the manner provided in 33 section 293, to all persons required to receive notice under section 293 and to 34 any CASA volunteer or educational rights holder who has been appointed on 35 in a given case. 36 \* \* \* 37 (c)–(e)38 39 Child's Educational and developmental-services needs (§§ 361, 366, **(f)** 40 366.1, 366.3) 41 42 The court must consider the child's, nonminor's, or nonminor dependent's educational and developmental-services needs, including whether it is 43

necessary to limit the rights of the parent or legal guardian to make educational or developmental-services decisions for the child. If the court limits those rights or, in the case of a nonminor or nonminor dependent who has chosen not to make educational or developmental-services decisions for him- or herself or has been deemed incompetent, finds that appointment would be in the best interests of the nonminor or dependent, the court must appoint a responsible adult as the educational rights holder as defined in rule 5.502(13). Any limitation on the rights of a parent or guardian to make educational or developmental-services decisions for the child must be specified in the court order. The court must follow the procedures in rules 5.650 and 5.651, following the requirements and procedures in rules 5.650 and 5.651 and in section 361(a).

## (g) Case plan (§§ 16001.9, 16501.1)

The court must consider the case plan submitted for the hearing and must find as follows determine:

(1) Whether the child was actively involved, to an age- and developmentally appropriate degree, in the development of his or her own case plan and plan for permanent placement as age and developmentally appropriate.; or

(2) The child was not actively involved in the development of his or her own case plan and plan for permanent placement. If the court makes such a finding finds that the child was not appropriately involved, the court must order the agency to actively involve the child in the development of his or her own case plan and plan for permanent placement, unless the court finds that the child is unable, unavailable, or unwilling to participate.; and

(3)(2) Whether each parent was actively involved in the development of the case plan and plan for permanent placement.; or

(4) Each parent was not actively involved in the development of the case plan and plan for permanent placement. If the court makes such a finding-finds that any parent was not actively involved, the court must order the agency to actively involve each that parent in the development of the case plan and plan for permanent placement, unless the court finds that each the parent is unable, unavailable, or unwilling to participate.; and

1		<del>(5)</del> (3)	In the case of an Indian child, whether the agency consulted with
2		tl	ne child's tribe and the tribe was actively involved in the development
3		0	f the case plan and plan for permanent placement, including
4		c	onsideration of whether tribal customary adoption is as an appropriate
5		p	ermanent plan for the child if reunification is unsuccessful; or
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7		<del>(6) I</del> 1	n the case of an Indian child, the agency did not consult with the
8 9			hild's tribe. If the court makes such a finding finds that the agency did ot consult the tribe, the court must order the agency to consult with the
10			ribe do so, unless the court finds that the tribe is unable, unavailable,
11			r unwilling to participate.; and
12		O	t diffilling to participate, and
13		<del>(7)</del> (4)	For a child 12 years of age or older and in a permanent placement,
14			ne court must make a finding whether or not the child was given the
15			pportunity to review the case plan, sign it, and receive a copy. If the
16			ourt finds that the child was not given this opportunity, the court must
17			rder the agency to give the child the opportunity to review the case
18			lan, sign it, and receive a copy.
19		Р	ian, sign it, and receive a copy.
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21	(11)	(111)	
22	(n)	Requi	rements upon setting a section 366.26 hearing (§§ 366.21, 366.22,
23	( )	366.25	
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27		(1) T	The court must terminate reunification services to the parent or legal
28			uardian <del>;</del> and
29		C	· <del></del>
30		(,	A) Order that the social worker provide a copy of the child's birth
31			certificate to the caregiver as required by section 16010.5(b)–(c);
32			and
33			
34		(]	B) Order that the social worker provide a child 16 years of age or
35			older with a copy of his or her birth certificate unless the court
36			finds that provision of the birth certificate would be inappropriate;
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38		(2)– $(6)$	* * *
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40	<b>(o)</b>	* * *	
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1	Rul	5.790. Orders of the court
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3 4	(a)	
5	<b>(b)</b>	Conditions of probation (§§ 725, 726, 727, 729.2, 729.9, 729.10)
6 7 8 9		(1)—If the child is placed on probation, with or without wardship, the court must set reasonable terms and conditions of probation. Unless the court find and states its reasons on the record that any of the following conditions is
10		inappropriate, the court must:
11 12 13		(A)(1) Require the child to attend school;
14 15		(B)(2) Require the parent to participate with the child in a counseling or education program; and
16 17 18 19		(C)(3) Require the child to be at the child's residence between 10:00 p.m and 6:00 a.m. unless accompanied by a parent or a guardian or an adult custodian.
20 21 22 23		(2) If the child is declared a ward, the court may limit the control over the child by a parent or guardian. Orders must clearly specify the limitations.
<ul><li>24</li><li>25</li></ul>	(c)-	e) ***
<ul><li>26</li><li>27</li></ul>	<u>(f)</u>	Family-finding determination (§ 628(d))
28 29 30 31 32 33 34		(1) If the child is detained and at risk of entering foster care, the court must consider whether the probation officer has exercised due diligence in conducting the investigation to identify, locate, and notify the child's relatives. The court may consider the activities listed in (g) as example of due diligence.
35 36 37 38 39 40		If the dispositional hearing is continued, the court may set a hearing to be held 30 days from the date of detention or as soon as possible thereafter to consider whether the probation officer has exercised due diligence in conducting the investigation to identify, locate, and notify the child's relatives.
41 42 43		(2) If the court finds that the probation officer has not exercised due diligence, the court may order the probation officer to exercise due diligence in conducting an investigation to identify locate, and notify

1 the child's relatives—except for any individual the probation officer 2 identifies who is inappropriate to notify under rule 5.637(b)—and may 3 require a written or oral report to the court. 4 5 **Due Diligence (g)** 6 7 When making the inquiry required under (f), the court may consider, among 8 other examples of due diligence, whether the probation officer has done any 9 of the following: 10 11 (1) Asked the child, in an age-appropriate manner and consistent with the 12 child's best interest, about his or her relatives; 13 14 (2) Obtained information regarding the location of the child's relatives; 15 16 (3) Reviewed the child's case file for any information regarding relatives; 17 18 (4) Telephoned, e-mailed, or visited all identified relatives; 19 20 (5) Asked located relatives for the names and locations of other relatives; 21 22 (6) Used Internet search tools to locate relatives identified as supports; or 23 24 Developed tools, including a genogram, family tree, family map, or (7) 25 other diagram of family relationships, to help the child or parents to 26 identify relatives. 27 <u>(f)(</u>h) 28 Wardship orders (§§ 726, 727, 727.1, 730, 731) 29 30 The court may make any reasonable order for the care, supervision, custody, 31 conduct, maintenance, support, and medical treatment of a child declared 32 adjudged a ward of the court. 33 \* \* \* 34 (1)–(4)35 36 The court may limit the control exercised over the ward by a parent or 37 guardian. Orders must clearly specify all limitations. In particular, the 38 court must consider whether it is necessary to limit the rights of the 39 parent or guardian to make educational or developmental-services 40 decisions for the child. If the court limits this right those rights, it must 41 follow the procedures stated in rules 5.650–5.651. 42

(gh) \* \* \* 1 2 (hi) \*\*\* 3 4 5 6 Rule 5.810. Reviews, hearings, and permanency planning 7 8 Six-month status review hearings (§§ 727.2, 11404.1) 9 \* \* \* 10 11 12 \* \* \* (1)–(2)13 14 (3) Findings and orders (§  $727.2\frac{(d)}{(e)}$ ) 15 16 The court must consider the safety of the ward and make findings and 17 orders that determine the following: 18 \* \* \* 19 (A)–(B)20 21 (C) Whether it is necessary to limit the rights of the parent or 22 guardian to make educational or developmental-services decisions 23 for the child. If the court limits this right those rights or, if the 24 ward is 18 years old or older and has chosen not to make 25 educational or developmental-services decisions for him- or 26 herself or has been deemed incompetent, finds that it is in the best interests of the ward, it the court must appoint a responsible adult 27 28 as the educational representative rights holder as defined in rule 29 5.502(13). Any limitation on the rights of a parent or guardian to 30 make educational or developmental-services decisions for the 31 child must be specified in the court order. The court must follow 32 the procedures stated in rules 5.650 and 5.651; 33 \* \* \* 34 (D)-(E)35 36 In the case of a child who is 16 years of age or older or a nonminor, the court must determine the services needed to assist 37 38 the child or nonminor in making the transition from foster care to 39 independent living; and 40 41 (G) Whether or not the child or nonminor was actively involved in the 42 development of his or her own case plan and plan for permanent 43 placement. If the court makes such a finding finds that the child or

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14			nonminor was not actively involved, the court must order the probation department to actively involve the child or nonminor in the development of his or her own case plan and plan for permanent placement, unless the court finds that the child or nonminor is unable, unavailable, or unwilling to participate; and  (H) Whether each parent was actively involved in the development of the case plan and plan for permanent placement.; or  (I) Each parent was not actively involved in the development of the case plan and plan for permanent placement. If the court makes such a finding finds that any parent was not actively involved, the court must order the agency to actively involve each that parent in the development of the case plan and plan for permanent placement, unless the court finds that each the parent is unable,
16 17			unavailable, or unwilling to participate.
18		(4)	Basis for Findings and Orders (§ 727.2(e))
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20			The determinations required by (a)(3) must be made on a case-by-case
21			basis, and the court must reference, in its written findings, the probation
22			officer's report and any other evidence relied on in reaching its
22 23			decision.
24			decision.
25 26	<b>(b)</b>	Peri	manency planning hearings (§§ 727.2, 727.3, 11404.1)
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29		(1)	* * *
30		(1)	
31		(2)	Findings and orders (§ 727.2(e), 727.3(a))
32		(2)	1 mangs and orders (8 727.2(c), 727.3(d))
33			At each permanency planning hearing, the court must consider the
34			safety of the ward and make findings and orders regarding the
35			following:
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37			(A)-(C) ***
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39			(D) The permanent plan for the child or nonminor, as described in (3);
10			(c),
11			(E) Whether or not the child or nonminor was not actively involved in
12			the development of his or her own case plan and-plan for
13			permanent placement. If the court finds that the child or nonminor

1 was not actively involved, in the development of his or her own 2 case plan and plan for permanent placement, the court must order 3 the probation officer to actively involve the child or nonminor in 4 the development of his or her own case plan and plan for 5 permanent placement, unless the court finds that the child or 6 nonminor is unable, unavailable, or unwilling to participate; and 7 8 (F) Whether each parent was actively involved in the development of 9 the case plan and plan for permanent placement.; or 10 11 (G) Each parent was not actively involved in the development of the 12 case plan and plan for permanent placement. If the court makes 13 such a finding finds that any parent was not actively involved, the 14 court must order the agency to actively involve each that parent in 15 the development of the case plan and plan for permanent 16 placement, unless the court finds that each the parent is unable, 17 unavailable, or unwilling to participate. 18 \* \* \* 19 (3)–(4)20 21 Postpermanency status review hearings (§ 727.2) 22 23 \* \* \* 24 25 \* \* \* (1) 26 27 Findings and orders ( $\S$  727.2(g)) (2) 28 29 At each postpermanency status review hearing, the court must consider 30 the safety of the ward and make findings and orders regarding the 31 following: 32 \* \* \* 33 (A)–(C)34 35 (D) Whether or not the child or nonminor was actively involved in the 36 development of his or her own case plan and plan for permanent 37 placement. If the court makes such a finding finds that the child or 38 nonminor was not actively involved, the court must order the 39 agency to actively involve the child or nonminor in the 40 development of his or her own case plan and plan for permanent 41 placement, unless the court finds that the child or nonminor is 42 unable, unavailable, or unwilling to participate.

## (d) Notice of hearings; service; contents (§ 727.4)

Not earlier than 30 nor later than 15 calendar days before each hearing date, the probation officer must serve written notice on all persons required to receive notice under section 727.4, as well as the child's present current caregiver, any CASA volunteer or educational rights holder, and the all counsel of record. A *Notice of Hearing—Juvenile Delinquency Proceeding* (form JV-625) must be used.

## (e) Report (§§ 706.5, 706.6, 727.2(c), 727.3(a)(1), 727.4(b))

Before each hearing described above, the probation officer must investigate and prepare a social study report, including an updated case plan, that must include an updated case plan and all of the information required in sections 706.5, 706.6, 727.2, and 727.3.

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# JV-180

# **Request to Change Court Order**

This form can be used to ask the court to change an order, to ask the court to dismiss your case, to ask the court to terminate reunification services, or to ask the court to recognize your relationship with your sister or brother. After filling out this form, take it to the clerk of the court.

	filling out this form, <mark>take</mark> it to the clerk of the court.	the Judicial Council
1	Your information:  a. I am the:  child or youth mother father legal guardian foster parent relative (specify):  social worker probation officer attorney other	Fill in court name and street address:  Superior Court of California, County of
	b. My name:  c. My address:  d. My city, state, zip code:  e. My telephone number:  f. If you are an attorney:	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Fill in name:
	My client's name:  My client's address (if confidential, see item 3):	Name of Child or Youth:
	My client's relationship to the child or youth:	Fill in case number, if known:
	My State Bar number:	Case Number:
	<ul> <li>a.</li></ul>	on our father's side.
3	If you want to keep your address or your client's address confidential, fill to Change Court Order) (form JV-182) and do not write the address on the Check here if form JV-182 is attached.	
4)	Child's or youth's information:  a. Name:	
	b. Date of birth:	
	c. Attorney (if known):	
	d. The child or youth lives with or in a (check all that apply):  parent legal guardian relative foster home group home I don't know	
	e. Name of the person the child or youth lives with or the place where he Address:	or she lives:
	☐ Check here if unknown.	

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Namo	e of child or youth:	Case Number:
5	Information about parents, legal guardians, and others: a. Names of parents or legal guardians:	
	☐ Check here if unknown.  b. Address of parent/legal guardian:	
	☐ Check here if unknown.	
	c. Address of parent/legal guardian:   Check here if unknown.	
	d. Indian tribe ( <i>if applicable and known</i> ):e. CASA volunteer ( <i>if applicable and known</i> ):	
	f. Educational rights holder (if applicable and known):	
	g. Social worker or probation officer (if applicable and known):	
	If you are asking the court to recognize your relationship with your brother change an order, you may skip to item 8.	or sister but not asking the court to
6	On (date, if known): the judge made the following	order that I think should be changed:
7	What has happened since that order that might change the judge's mind? not have when the order was made):	(Give new information that the judge did
8	What new order or orders do you want the judge to make now?	
9	Why would the requested order or action be better for the child or youth?	
10	☐ Check here if you need more space for any of the answers. Attach a she top of the page. Number of pages attached:	eet of paper and write "JV-180" at the

receive notice under Welfare and Institution California Rules of Court.	ns Code sections 297 and 386 and	s Code sections 297 and 386 and rules 5.524 and 5.570 of the Don't			e No
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Child (if 10 years old, or older) or youth:					
Child's or youth's attorney:					
Parent:					
Parent:					
Legal guardian:					
Legal guardian:					
Social worker:					
Probation officer:					
Current caregiver/foster parent:					
Preadoptive parent:					
CASA volunteer:					
Educational rights holder:					
Indian tribe:					
Indian custodian:					
Sibling (if petition filed & 10+ years old);					
Sibling's caregiver:					
Sibling's attorney:		$\overline{\Box}$	$\overline{\Box}$	$\Box$	
Attorney for parent/legal guardian:					
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County counsel:					
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# JV-225 Your Child's Health and Education

Γo tl	ne social worker or probation officer: If the parent or guardian needs						
	completing this form, please ensure that he or she receives assistance.						
_	ne parent or guardian: Complete and sign this form. If you need more						
pace	e to answer, attach one or more sheets of paper to this form and write						
	225" at the top of each page. The information requested on this form is						
	ssary to meet the medical, dental, mental health, educational, and						
	opmental needs of your child. The court has directed you to provide						
	child's medical, dental, mental health, educational, and developmental-	Fill in court na	me and street address:				
	ces information. The court has also directed you to provide your medical, il, mental health, and educational information and, if you know, the same		ourt of California, County of				
	mation about the other parent or guardian. If you need help, the social						
	er or probation officer will help you fill out this form.						
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1)	Your name:						
	Your relationship to child:						
	Your home address:  City: State: Zip code:		ase number when form is filed.				
	City:State:Zip code:	Case Numb	per:				
	Your mailing address:  City:State:Zip code:						
	City: State: Zip code:						
	Your telephone number:						
2	Your child's name:						
-	a. Your child's date of birth:	c. Hospital:					
	b. Where was your child born?	d. Your chi	ld's birth weight:				
	City: State: Country:						
Chil	d's Health						
3	Does your child have any physical or mental health challenges?   Yes	□ No					
<b>૭</b>	If yes, is your child receiving any assistance, services, or treatment for the		(Fynlain):				
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	a. Allergies:  b. Division:						
	b.						
	f. Other:						
4	Has your child ever been admitted to the hospital for care or treatment of	any of the cor	nditions in item (3)?				
	Yes No						
	If yes, please explain:						
	Is your shild taking any medication?						
<b>5</b>	Is your child taking any medication?  Yes No If yes, please list each medication and explain why your child is taking it:						
	Medication and dosage Reason for taking medication		Date began				
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When was yo Date of exam Who examine Address (incl Telephone nu	ur child's ey ination: ed your child ude city, sta umber:	resight last tested?			
	_	earing aid? Yes No			
Is your child a. Medical b. Dental c. Vision	Covered by Yes Yes Yes Yes	an insurance policy?  No (If yes, specify insurance)  No (If yes, specify insurance)  No (If yes, specify insurance)	e policy):		
Child's Educati	on				
When your ch	n <mark>ild was livi</mark>	<mark>ng with you,</mark> what school did you	r child attend?		
Name of scho					
	•	te, zip code):  yed and able to attend this school	7   Vec   N	Jo	
•		give up your child's right to remain			No

d's	s name:					
c.	When your child was living with you, was your child receiving help at school or any assessments, evaluations, services, or ac physical, mental, or learning-related disabilities or other specifically. If yes, what assessments, evaluations, services, or accommodities.	commodations to help your child with any al educational needs?  Yes No				
	(2) Who gave your child these educational or developmental	services?				
d.	Has your child ever been referred to a regional center for dever If yes, list the name and location of the regional center and the	_				
e.	If applicable, do you have a copy of your child's individualized individualized family service plan (IFSP), individual program Yes No					
f.	What language did your child first learn to speak?					
g.	What is his or her primary language?					
h.	What language do you most often use when speaking to your	child?				
i.	Has your child ever been identified as limited English proficie ☐ Yes ☐ No	ent or as an English <mark>L</mark> anguage <mark>Le</mark> arner by a scho				
j.	Has your child ever been enrolled in a specialized program to learn English?   Yes   No					
Li	ist all other schools or day care your child has attended:					
	chool (name, city, state):	Dates of attendance:				
Sc	chool (name, city, state):	Dates of attendance:				
Sc	chool (name, city, state):	Dates of attendance:				
Sc	chool (name, city, state):	Dates of attendance:				
a.	What grade is your child in?					
b.	Does he or she have any special needs?  Yes No If yes, please describe:					
c.	If your child is three years old or younger, do you believe that your child may be eligible for services to help with motor, developmental, or other delays?   Yes  No  If yes, explain why:					
	***	nodations do you believe your child may need fo				

Child's na	ame:	Case Number:
	o you believe your child may have a disability?  Yes  yes, please describe:	No
	What assessments, evaluations, services, treatment, or accommone disability?	odations do you believe your child may need for
If	as your right to make educational decisions for your child bee yes, who has the right to make educational decisions for your ame:	child?
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	Then were you last seen by a doctor and dentist?  What medical problems run in your family?	
(2	2) Do you have medical problems or disabilities?  Yes If yes, please describe:	] No
(3	What medications do you take?  Medication  Rea	son for taking medications
(1	That is your educational history?  School last attended (name, city, state):	
	Last grade completed:	
(1	you know, provide the following information about your child  Name of other parent:  Descriptions in to shild:	-
(2	Relationship to child:	

a. (3) Other parent's medical problems and disabilit  (Please include physical, mental, development	
(4) The child's other parent takes the following n  Medication	nedications:  Reason for taking medication
(5) The following medical problems run in the far	
<ul><li>b. My child's other parent has the following educati</li><li>(1) School last attended:</li><li>(2) Last grade completed:</li></ul>	
I declare that the information on this form is true and Date:	I correct to the best of my knowledge.
Date:	$\frac{1}{Parent/guardian\ signs\ here}$
Date:	Parent/guardian signs here
Type or print parent's/guardian's name  Date:	
Date:  Type or print parent's/guardian's name	Parent/guardian signs here

Case Number:

Draft Not approved by the Judicial Council JV-535(A) CASE NUMBER: CHILD'S NAME: **General Information** Child's or nonminor's date of birth: School information: School district: School (name and address): Foster youth educational liaison (Ed. Code, § 48853.5) (name and contact information): Regional center (name and address): Service coordinator (name and contact information): County welfare agency information: Assigned social worker or probation officer (name and contact information): Supervising social worker or probation officer (name, address, and contact information): Child's or nonminor's attorney (name, address, and contact information): THE COURT FINDS AND ORDERS The child is the subject of a petition filed under section 325. The child's parent or guardian is unavailable, unable, or unwilling to exercise educational or developmental services rights; the agency has made diligent efforts to locate and secure the participation of the parent or guardian in educational and developmental services decisionmaking; and the child's educational and developmental services needs cannot be met without the temporary appointment of a responsible adult as educational rights holder. Limitation of the rights of the parent(s) or quardian(s) to make educational developmental services decisions is necessary to protect the child. The appointment of an educational rights holder is in the best interests of the nonminor dependent.

The

dependent

has chosen not to make

ward

who is available and willing to serve as the child's educational rights holder.

educational

3.

nonminor dependent

The court has not ordered or has terminated reunification services for the parent or guardian, and the child or nonminor dependent is placed with an identified caregiver under section 366.21(g)(5), 366.22, 366.26, 366.3(i), or 727.3(b)(5)—(6).

is not competent to make educational or developmental services decisions for him- or herself.

developmental services

is not a responsible adult relative, nonrelative extended family member, or other adult known to the child

is at least 18 years old and

decisions for him- or herself.

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			CASE NUMBER:			
CH	CHILD'S NAME:					
12.		The local educational agency must make reasonable efforts to appoint a surrog Code section 7579.5 within 30 days of the receipt of this order. The LEA must n within five court days of the date of the appointment, termination, resignation, or	otify the court on attached form JV-536			
13.		The appointment of a surrogate parent under section 7579.5 of the Government	t Code is not warranted.			
14.		nild is receiving special education, general education accommodations and modi opmental services. Yes No	fications, early intervention services, or			
15.		The child is receiving services under the following plan (check all that apply and	l attach a copy of each plan):			
	a. [	Individualized education program (IEP)				
	b. [	Section 504 plan				
	c. [	Individualized family service plan (IFSP)				
	d	Individual program plan (IPP)				
	e	Other (explain):				
16.		The child needs the following educational or developmental assessments, evaluations are considered to the child needs the following educational or developmental assessments.	uations, or services (check all that apply):			
	a. [	The child is 0−3 years old, is at risk for a disability or has a developmental evaluation for services.	delay, and requires assessment or			
	b. [	The child is $0-3$ years old, has a disability, and requires the development of	of an IFSP.			
	c. [	The child is 3 years old or older, may have a disability, and requires intake				
	d	The child is 3 years old or older, has a disability, and requires the developm	nent of an IEP, IPP, or Section 504 plan.			
17.	The ap	opointed educational rights holder must (check all that apply):				
	a. [	Submit to the LEA a written referral for assessment for special education a section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.	nd related services, including services under			
	b. [	Submit to the regional center a written referral for a initial intake and eligibil	ity assessment or evaluation.			
	c. [	Submit to the LEA a written referral for assessment for an assessment, eva convene the IEP team to develop, review, or revise the child's IEP.	aluation, or services or a written request to			
	d. [	Submit a written request to the regional center to convene the IFSP team to	o develop, review, or revise the child's IFSP.			
	e. [	Submit a written request to the regional center to convene the IPP team to	develop, review, or revise the child's IPP.			
	f	Other:				
18.		The following person is directed to take whatever steps are necessary to requestidentified in item 15 or 16 (name and address unless confidential):	st any assessments, evaluations, or services			
19.		The current educational program and school placement are in the best interests dependent.	s of the child, nonminor, or nonminor			
20.		The current IFSP, IPP, or other developmental services plan is in the best interedependent.	ests of the child, nonminor, or nonminor			
21.		The child or nonminor dependent is is not attending his or her	school of origin.			
			nt to attend the school of origin.			
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22.		The placement agency has considered educational stability and the opportunity necessary when making educational and school placement decisions for the ch				
23		The child is currently expelled from school and is eligible to be readmitted on or	after (date):			

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF		
STREET ADDRESS:		
MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE:		
BRANCH NAME:		
CHILD'S NAME:		
ORDER DESIGNATING EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS HOLDER	CASE NUMBER:	
Educational Rights Holder for Child, Nonminor, or Nonminor Dependent		
1. The following adult is the educational rights holder as defined in rule 5.502(13)	of the California Rules of Court	
a. Name:		
b. Address:		
c. Telephone: d. E-mail:		
e. Relationship to child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent:		
2. The adult designated in 1a. is (check one)		
a. The <u>first</u> educational rights holder designated by the court for this child, nor	nminor, or nonminor dependent.	
b. The <u>same</u> educational rights holder as last designated by the court.		
c. A <u>different</u> educational rights holder from the one last designated by the co	urt.	
3. The court cannot identify a parent, guardian, or other responsible adult to act as		
input from any interested person, will make deducational developm		
(Before the dispositional hearing) The child's attorney and the social work to identify a responsible adult to make future educational or developments		
4. Providing the information on this form or on form JV-535(A), if attached, to the parent	or guardian <i>(check one)</i>	
a. will create a safety risk (for example, because of the placement's confident		
to the parent or guardian.		
b. will not create a safety risk. The information may be disclosed to the parent or guardian.		
Having considered the evidence and made the findings required by law, THE COURT	ORDERS that	
5. The rights of (name): (name)	me):	
mother		
father father	<mark>er</mark> )	
guardian gua	<mark>rdian</mark>	
to make educational developmental services decisions for the child.	nonminor, or nonminor dependent	
a. are retained.		
b. are fully restored.		
c. are temporarily limited under section 319(g).		
d. are limited under section 361(a) or 726(b).		
have been terminated under section 366.26 or 727.31		

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<mark>6.</mark>	The appointment of any previous educational rights holder or developmental services decision maker is terminated.			
<mark>7.</mark>			The adult identified in 1a. is the successor guardian or conservator and, as su	ch, holds decisionmaking rights.
8.			The adult identified in 1a. is the caregiver and, by law, holds educational rights.	and developmental services decisionmaking
Ap	<mark>poir</mark>	<mark>ntm</mark>	ent of Educational Rights Holder	
9.			The responsible adult named in 1a. is appointed as educational rights holder dependent.	for the child, nonminor, or nonminor
<mark>10</mark>			educational rights holder is authorized to make educational child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent to the extent permitted by law.	developmental services decisions
<mark>11.</mark>	Th	ne a	ppointed educational rights holder is authorized to have access to the child's, reducational developmental services records and information to the ex	
12.			The court refers the child to the local educational agency for appointment of a Government Code.	surrogate parent under section 7579.5 of the
Du	ties	of A	appointed Educational Rights Holder	
<mark>13.</mark>	3. The appointed educational rights holder must comply with all state and federal confidentiality laws, including section 827 and Government Code section 7579.5(f), and may share information only to the extent necessary to further the interests of the child, nonminor, or nonminor dependent.			
14.	4. The appointed educational rights holder must meet with the child; investigate the child's educational and developmental-services needs and whether those needs are being met; and, before each scheduled review hearing, provide information and recommendations to the social worker or probation officer and either make written recommendations to the court or attend the review hearing and participate in any portion of the hearing that concerns the child's education or development. The rights holder may submit written recommendations on <i>Educational Rights Holder Statement</i> (form JV-537) or in any other suitable format.			
Service of Order				
15	off ce firs gu	onm fice ente ente st-cl uard unif	or 2c. is checked, the clerk will provide a copy of this form and any attachment or, or nonminor dependent; the attorney for the child, nonminor, or nonminor the local foster youth educational liaison; the county office of education foster service coordinator, if applicable; the educational rights holder; and any previous mail no later than five court days after the order is signed. The clerk may a can (unless otherwise indicated in 4, or parental rights have been terminated, or cation services have been terminated), the CASA volunteer, and if requested, in 293.	dependent; the social worker or probation ryouth services coordinator; the regional ous educational rights holder in person or by also make the form available to the parent or refer the child has reached 18 years of age and
<mark>16</mark>			ssigned social worker or probation officer must notify the educational rights hole aring.	der of the date, time, and location of each
This order applies to any local educational agency, school, school district, or regional center in the State of California.				
Da	Date:			
				JUDICIAL OFFICER

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF	Judicial Council	
STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS:		
CITY AND ZIP CODE:		
BRANCH NAME:		
CHILD'S NAME:		
LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY RESPONSE TO JV-535—APPOINTMENT OF SURROGATE PARENT	CASE NUMBER:	
This form must be completed and returned to the court at the address listed above appointment, termination, or replacement of a surrogate parent.	within seven calendar days of the date of the	
1. a. Child's school:		
b. Address of child's school:		
c. School personnel contact (name, title, and telephone):		
<ul><li>2. a. Name of surrogate parent:</li><li>b. Address:</li><li>c. Telephone:</li><li>d. Relationship to child:</li></ul>		
The appointed surrogate parent does not have a conflict of interest with the child. (Welf. & Inst. Code, §§ 361, 726; 34 C.F.R. §§ 300.519, 303.422; Gov. Code, § 7579.5(i), (j).)		
4. The appointed surrogate parent will represent the child on educational issues as required by state and federal law.		
5. The appointed surrogate parent agrees that this representation is continuous. If the surrogate parent is not able to represent the child's educational needs, the surrogate parent will inform the local educational agency.		
6. The previous surrogate parent resigned or was terminated under section	7579.5(h) of the Government Code.	
a. Name of previous surrogate parent:		
b. Address:		
c. Telephone: d. Relationship to child:		
d. Relationship to child:		
7. The local educational agency has not appointed an surrogate parent with	in 30 days as required by rule 5.65 <mark>1(</mark> d).	
Date:		
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME) (LC	OCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE )	
	(TITLE)	

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CITY AND ZIP CODE:			
BRANCH NAME:			
CHILD'S NAME :			
EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS HOLDER STATEMENT	CASE NUMBER:		
To the educational rights holder: You must submit written information and recommend probation officer. You must also provide information to the court in writing or in person at form may assist you in providing written information to the court. Please type or print clea advance of the hearing but no later than seven days prior to the hearing. Please provide to	scheduled review hearings. This optional rly in ink and submit the form well in		
1. a. Child's date of birth:			
b. Child's age:			
c. Child's school: d. Child's grade level:			
2. a. Name of educational rights holder:			
<ul><li>b. Address:</li><li>c. Telephone:</li></ul>			
d. Relationship to child <mark>or youth:</mark>			
e. I was appointed on (date):			
f. I was appointed by (name):			
(1) Local educational agency in (school district):			
(2) Juvenile court in (county):			
(3) Other (specify):			
g. I am resigning from my appointment.			
3. Since my appointment, or since my last form JV-537 statement, I have performed the following actions on behalf of the child or youth (specify):			
4. I do not have any new or additional information since the last court hearing.			
5. I have new or additional information since the last court hearing (e.g., changed s	chool, school discipline):		
<ul> <li>Based on my observations of the child's physical, emotional, mental, and social development, I believe the child</li> <li>a (0-3 years old) may be eligible for early intervention services.</li> <li>b may have a disability (explain):</li> </ul>			
7. The child has the following disabilities (specify):			
8. The child has the following educational or developmental-services needs (specify):			

CHILD'S NAME:	CASE NUMBER:
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9 The child requires the following services to meet his or her educational or development of the child requires the following services to meet his or her educational or development of the child requires the following services to meet his or her educational or development of the child requires the following services to meet his or her educational or development of the child requires the following services to meet his or her educational or development of the child requires the following services to meet his or her educational or development of the child requires the following services to meet his or her educational or development of the child requires the child requ	<mark>lopmental</mark> needs ( <i>specify):</i>
10. The child is receiving the following educational or developmental services or account of the child is receiving the following educational or developmental services or account of the child is receiving the following education	commodations (explain):
a. These services or accommodations are are not appropria	ate (explain):
b. Date of most recent individualized education plan (IEP), section 504 plan, in family service plan (IFSP):	individual program plan (IPP), or individualized
11. On (date):  a. regional center (name):  b. local educational agency (name):  c. other (name):	om the
12. a. Type of assessments requested (check all that apply):  (1)	
13. If you need more space to respond to any section above, please check this box Number of pages attached:	and attach additional pages.
Date:	
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME) (SIGNATURE OF	F EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS HOLDER OR SURROGATE PARENT)

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State	Bar number, and address):		
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FINDINGS REGARDING TRANSFE	S AND ORDERS R FROM SCHOOL O	F ORIGIN	CASE NUMBER:
<ol> <li>a. Hearing date:</li> <li>b. Judicial officer:</li> <li>c. Parties and attorneys present:</li> </ol>	Room:	Dept.:	Room:
THE COURT FINDS AND ORDERS  2. The social worker pr The report included the information re		•	an two court days after form JV-539 was filed es of Court.
3. The court has read and consider	ered the report.		
The social worker pr Court.	obation officer provid	ded notice as required	by rule 5.65 <mark>2(</mark> e) of the California Rules of
<ul> <li>As soon as the county placing a origin, the county placing agend</li> <li>a. Name of local educational</li> <li>b. Title:</li> <li>c. Telephone:</li> <li>d. Date of contact:</li> </ul>	cy contacted the appropr		he child in foster care out of the school of il education <mark>al</mark> agency.
	<mark>der</mark> with a written explan		ducational liaison provided the child and the indation and how this change will serve the
7. a. The child and the parent or waive the child's right to be			agreement with the <mark>educational liaison,</mark>
b. There is a disagreement be liaison regarding the child's			ational <mark>rights holder;</mark> and the <mark>educational</mark> n.
remain in the school of	origin.	·	g why it is not in the child's best interest to pending resolution of the dispute.

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3.	The cou	nty placing agency	
	a	notified the local educational agency of the date the child will leave the school	of origin (date notice provided):
	b	requested from the local education <mark>al</mark> agency that the child be transferred out o	of the school of origin (date of request):
	C	made the following efforts to maintain the child in the school of origin (describe	e and provide details):
	d	Notified the current and prospective local educational agencies of the change placement change because the child has a disability or individualized education	
9.	W	ithin two business days of receiving the request, the local educational agency	
	a.	transferred the child out of the school of origin and delivered the child's e next educational placement.	ducational information and records to the
	b.	compiled the complete educational records of the child, including a determination current class records, immunizations, other records, and, if applied under section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or individualized education lateral with Disabilities Education Act.	cable, a copy of the child's plan adopted
	C.	calculated the grades and credits of the child as of the date the child left of the child's absence caused by the child's removal from the school of or	
10.		f applicable, the court has asked the social worker, probation officer, and other in equirements on this form have not been met.	nterested parties why the educational
	;	a. The following actions are necessary to protect the child's educational ar	nd developmental-services rights (specify):
	ı	The court sets the matter for a hearing under Welfare and Institutions C in these proceedings the following agencies to address the provision of	
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			JUDICIAL OFFICER

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CITY AND ZIP CODE:  BRANCH NAME:	
CHILD'S NAME :	
	CASE NUMBER:
REQUEST FOR HEARING REGARDING CHILD'S ACCESS TO SERVICES	
Appointment of Educational Review of Proposed Removal From School of Origin	
NOTICE OF HEARING	
1. A hearing on this application will be held as follows:	
a. Date: Time: Dept:	Div: Room:
b. Address of court: is shown above is (specify):	
2. On (date): the educational rights holder resign	ned or is no longer serving in that capacity
the surrogate parent resigned or was terminated. I am requesting a hean holder.	aring for appointment of an educational rights
Date	
Date:	
(TYPE OR PRINT CHILD'S ATTORNEY'S NAME)	SIGNATURE OF CHILD'S ATTORNEY
3. On <i>(date)</i> : , the social worker or probation officer informe	d me that the child's placement will be changed
and that this will result in the child's removal from the school of origin. Based o worker or probation officer, I am requesting a hearing for the court to review the school of origin.	n the information provided to me by the social
Date:	
(TYPE OR PRINT CHILD'S ATTORNEY'S NAME)	SIGNATURE OF CHILD'S ATTORNEY
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