

## Advisory of Party Rights and Responsibilities

**To: Each Party to this Matter  
Counsel to Parties Involved in this Matter**

### **Your Rights:**

Pursuant to Rule 57.02 of the Juvenile Protection Rules, as a party to this proceeding you have each of the following rights:

- To receive notice of all hearings.
- To have legal representation and, if you cannot afford an attorney you have the right to ask the court to appoint an attorney to represent you and the court may appoint counsel if the court determines that such appointment is appropriate.
- To be present at all hearings unless excluded by the court.
- To conduct discovery (receive copies of your social services file and other records).
- To bring motions before the court.
- To participate in settlement discussions and agreements.
- To subpoena witnesses.
- To make argument in support of or against the petition.
- To present evidence.
- To examine and cross-examine witnesses.
- If your case is heard by a referee, to request review of the referee's findings and recommended order.
- To ask the court to review its disposition upon a showing of a substantial change of circumstances or that the previous disposition was inappropriate;
- To bring post-trial motions.
- To appeal from final orders of the court.
- To assert any other rights as set forth in statute or rule.

### **Your Responsibilities:**

**It is the responsibility of each party to inform the court administrator of any change of address.** To notify the court administrator of any change of address, mail the information to:  
Court Administrator at

Address

### **Include the following information:**

- **Case name:** *(In the matter of the Welfare of* \_\_\_\_\_ )
- **Case file number** *(available on attached summons)*
- **Your name**
- **Your old address**
- **Your new address**
- **Your telephone number, if you have one**
- **Date of the change**

### **Questions:**

**Questions about your rights and responsibilities can be addressed to a lawyer or to the court at the time of any hearing.**

