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Juvenile Law: Notice of Juvenile Hearings by Electronic Mail (Implementation of AB 879) (Action Required)

Summary

Effective January 1, 2016, Assembly Bill 879 authorizes e-mailing notices of hearings in juvenile court under Welfare and Institutions Code sections 290.1-295. To implement AB 879, the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee and the Information Technology Advisory Committee jointly proposed (1) amending rules 5.524, 5.534, and 5.708 of the California Rules of Court; (2) adopting mandatory form EFS-005-JV/JV-141, *E-Mail Notice of Hearing: Consent, Withdrawal of Consent, Address Change (Juvenile Dependency)*; and (3) renumbering form EFS-005 to EFS-005-CV. This proposal aligns notice provisions in the rules with this change in law and provides a form for obtaining consent to electronic notice of hearings from those persons entitled to notice of juvenile court hearings. This proposal would also make technical changes to rules 5.550 and 5.815 to update references to and eliminate inconsistencies with the statutes.

Recommendation

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee and the Information Technology Advisory Committee jointly recommended:

1. Amending rules 5.524, 5.534, 5.550, 5.708, and 5.815 of the California Rules of Court;
2. Adopting mandatory form EFS-005-JV/JV-141, *E-Mail Notice of Hearing: Consent, Withdrawal of Consent, Address Change (Juvenile Dependency)*; and
3. Renumbering form EFS-005 to EFS-005-CV.