

NORTH CAROLINA  
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE  
DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

**ORDER AMENDING AND MODIFYING RULES FOR JUVENILE COURT  
(Rule 14 (6), Rule 16 (c), and Rule 17 (d))**

Pursuant to Rule 2 of the General Rules of Practice for Superior and District Courts, and N.C.G.S. 7B-100 and 7B-1500,

Rule 14 (6), Predisposition Report shall be modified to read as follows:

“The GAL for the child may also prepare a dispositional report to assist the Court in reaching a disposition that will best serve the needs of the child. Copies of the recommendations of the GAL shall be provided to all parties and their counsel, and pro se parties by 1:00PM on the Tuesday preceding the adjudication.”

Rule 16 (c), Court Summary and Objections shall be modified to read as follows:

“Court Summary and Objections: The DSS Attorney shall deliver a written Court Summary to all counsel, unrepresented parties, and the GAL office at least seven (7) days prior to the review hearing which summarizes the progress in the case since the last hearing and DSS’s recommendations. Each party shall deliver in writing to the DSS Attorney and all other parties any and all objections or additions to the DSS Summary by 1:00PM on the Tuesday preceding the review hearing.”

Rule 17 (d), Court Summaries shall be modified to read as follows:

“Court Summaries: In a permanency planning hearing held pursuant to N.C.G.S. 7B-907, the DSS Attorney shall deliver a written Court Summary to all counsel, unrepresented parties and the GAL Office at least seven (7) days prior to the review hearing which summarizes the progress in the case since the last hearing and DSS’s recommendations. Each party shall deliver in writing to the DSS Attorney and all other parties any and all objections or additions to the DSS Summary by 1:00PM on the Tuesday preceding the hearing date.”

These modifications shall become effective February 16, 2007, and shall apply to all pending matters before the Court and to all matters filed subsequently.

This the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2007.

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Frederick B. Wilkins, Jr.  
Chief District Court Judge  
17A Judicial District