

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
POSTPONEMENT POLICY – CINA/TPR CASES

The following procedures will be followed in granting postponements in CINA/TPR cases:

1. A postponement may be granted when any party or attorney has an appearance in another court previously set on the date of hearing. The party requesting a postponement shall attach a copy of the other assignment to the Motion for Postponement.
2. Except in case of Emergency, all requests for postponement must be filed within thirty (30) days of the hearing date. Non-emergency matters include; pre-paid vacations, CLE, etc.
3. Any Motion for Postponement filed less than thirty (30) days before the scheduled hearing date shall reflect the position of the opposing party, or the reason for the inability to contact or obtain the position of the opposing party.
4. Since the majority of hearing dates are either set in Court with counsel and the parties present, or after dates are cleared with counsel by the Assignment Office, postponements of hearing dates for any but the most serious and unavoidable reasons will be denied.
5. All Motions for Postponement in CINA/TPR cases will be considered by the County Administrative Judge or that Judge's designee.
6. If the County Administrative Judge is not available, either due to illness, leave, or Judicial Assignments, the case shall be referred to The Honorable Theresa M. Adams, or the acting Administrative Judge as designated.
7. Continuances (defined as a proceeding which has begun and is extended for additional day(s)) should be rescheduled for the next day the Court sits and should remain on the docket day-to-day until concluded. The only exception is a case continued pending receipt of additional evidence, which should be rescheduled as soon as possible.

Date

Aug 26, 2022

Julie S. Solt
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County Administrative Judge