

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI  
FAMILY COURT DIVISION

IN RE: Jackson County Youth Courts  
and Community Diversion Programs

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER: 17-03

ORDER

Now on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017, the Court being fully advised as to the concept and operations of Youth Courts and other community-based diversion programs, and as these programs are approved methods of informal adjustments as permitted by law, it is therefore ordered:

That the Juvenile Officer of Jackson County, Missouri is permitted to authorize procedures for the referral by Jackson County, Missouri law enforcement agencies having the appropriate jurisdiction to Youth Courts and other community-based diversion programs for informal adjustment procedures. Juveniles who may be referred include juveniles that live in the confines of Jackson County, Missouri, or who are alleged to have committed a status or misdemeanor offense in Jackson County, Missouri.

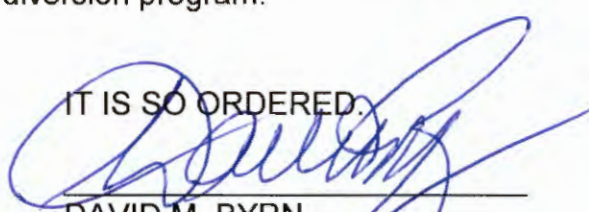
It is further ordered those law enforcement agencies operating within Jackson County, Missouri may release to Youth Courts and certain community-based diversion programs, as permitted by the Juvenile Officer, all police reports concerning juveniles who are referred to Youth Courts or community-based diversion programs for disposition.

It is further ordered that those juveniles previously referred to Youth Courts for a misdemeanor may not be re-referred to any Youth Court or other community-based diversion program by law enforcement agencies.

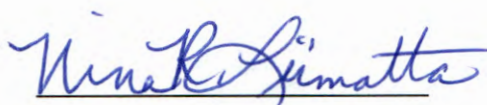
It is further ordered that statistical reports shall be generated by the Family Court Division that shall track data collected by the Youth Courts and other community-based diversion programs. The statistical reports shall be completed annually and may be completed every quarter.

It is further ordered that Supreme Court Rule 112 will apply on all matters referred to Youth Courts or other community based diversion program.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

  
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DAVID M. BYRN  
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE  
FAMILY COURT DIVISION

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