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IN THE DISTRICT COURTS AND COUNTY COURTS AT LAW  
OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

AMENDED ORDER OF CASE ASSIGNMENT (FAMILY CASES – POST JUDGMENT)

On the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018, a Board of Judges meeting was convened for the District and County Court at Law judges of Montgomery County, Texas. A quorum of judges, required by law were in attendance. The following item was on the agenda: “Reallocation of IV-D and CPS cases from a current non-family court, upon a reopening event to the 418th and CCL3 in equal shares.” During this meeting, County Court at Law Judge McDonald made the following motion:

Upon the filing of a post-judgment, re-opening event, of any category, in a Court of Continuing Exclusive Jurisdiction (as that term is defined under the Texas Family Code) that no longer receives an allocation of new family law cases, the case shall be immediately transferred to either the 418th District Court or County Court at Law #3 in equal rotation. This motion shall apply to all post-judgment re-opening events, including cases brought by the Department of Family and Protective Services under Texas Family Code, Subtitle E, and including cases brought under Texas Family Code, Chapter 231, Title IV-D Services.

The effect of this motion will be to rescind that Supplement to Amended Order of Case Assignment (New and Pending Cases) adopted by the Board of Judges on February 1, 2013.

The District Clerk is directed to reallocate these cases according to the Motion.

Further, the District Court and County Court at Law Judges whose courts are no longer assigned new family cases (9<sup>th</sup>, 221st, 284th, 359th, 435th, CCL1, CCL2, CCL4 and CCL5), should no longer receive from the District Clerk any pleadings or orders for consideration in family cases previously assigned to those courts. All such work shall be directed to either the 418th District Court or County Court at Law #3 who shall either sit for the former Court of Continuing Jurisdiction or accept a transfer of the case, in accordance with the foregoing.

The motion received a second. After discussion, a vote was held on said motion. All judges in attendance voted in favor of the motion. Therefore, the motion carried unanimously.

As such, pursuant to the Texas Government Code, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, effective immediately, upon the filing of a post-judgment re-opening event (of any category/type) in a Court of Continuing Exclusive Jurisdiction (as that term is defined under the Texas Family Code) that no longer receives an allocation of family law cases, the case shall be immediately transferred to either the 418th District Court or County Court at Law #3 in equal rotation. This order shall apply to all post-judgment re-opening events, including cases brought by the Department of Family and Protective Services under Texas Family Code, Subtitle E, and including cases brought under Texas Family Code, Chapter 231, Title IV-D Services.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the District Clerk is directed to reallocate these cases according to this Order.


IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the District Clerk shall immediately route to the 418th District Court or County Court at Law #3, in equal rotation, all pleadings and/or orders filed in closed family cases in courts no longer assigned family cases (9<sup>th</sup>, 221<sup>st</sup>, 284th, 359th, 435th, CCL1, CCL2, CCL4 and CCL5). All such work shall be handled by the judge of either the 418th District Court or County Court at Law #3, who shall either sit for the former Court of Continuing Exclusive Jurisdiction or accept a transfer of the case, in accordance with the foregoing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any and all prior orders regarding a post-judgment, re-opening event, of any category, in a Court of Continuing Exclusive Jurisdiction (as that term is defined under the Texas Family Code) that no longer receives an allocation of new family law cases are hereby RESCINDED, and that this order shall become a Local Rule of Administration for the District Courts for Montgomery County, Texas, and shall amend any prior local rule of

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the District Courts for Montgomery County, Texas to the extent that they may conflict with any such prior local rule.

  
**HON. JENNIFER JAMES ROBIN**  
Local Administrative District  
Court Judge

  
**HON. MARY ANN TURNER**  
Local Administrative County  
Court Judge