



**The Circuit Court
for the Third Judicial Circuit of Michigan**

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RICHARD C. KAUFMAN
CHIEF JUDGE

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DOCKET DIRECTIVE 1990-4

SUBJECT: Assignment of Paternity Trial

EFFECTIVE: March 13, 1990

In order to promote the establishment of a firm trial docket for paternity cases and to distribute these trials as evenly as practical among all judges, Docket Management will contact judges in advance and verify dates when judges are to be available for paternity trials. This procedure replaces the former spin-off procedure established by Docket Directive 1988-5.

The spin-off procedure will be used only in instances where conflicts occur on the date of trial. When conflicts occur, the case which was scheduled first will proceed to trial before the assigned judge and the remaining case or cases are to be spun-off to an available judge. In the event a spin-off is necessary, all judges, including the chief judge, will be considered available for paternity trials.

DATE: March 13, 1990

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. C. Kaufman', written over a horizontal line.

RICHARD C. KAUFMAN
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