

NOTICE TO THE BAR

Directive #2-04 [Supersedes Directive #10-95]

Questions or comments may be directed to (609) 984-7721 or (609) 984-4853

To: Assignment Judges

From: Richard J. Williams

Subject: Use of Warrants and Incarceration in the Enforcement of Child Support Orders

Date: March 16, 2004

On February 26, 2004 the Judicial Council approved the [attached policy](#) on the use of warrants and incarceration in the enforcement of child support orders. The policy articulates the legal standards for the use of warrants and incarceration in child support matters, addresses the circumstances of indigent obligors without counsel, and provides new forms for warrants and for the receipt of release payments made by arrested obligors. The standards set forth in the policy are to be implemented immediately, and the warrant and receipt forms should be put into use as soon as practicable.

In the near future, training programs on this Directive will be conducted for Family Judges, Child Support Hearing Officers, and Probation and Family Division staff involved in handling child support matters. In the meantime, questions concerning this Directive may be directed to Probation Assistant Director Mary DeLeo ((609) 984-5022), Family Assistant Director Harry Cassidy ((609) 984-4853), or to Richard Narcini, Chief, Child Support Enforcement Services ((609) 984-7721).

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