

CALHOUN, DEWITT, GOLIAD, JACKSON, REFUGIO AND VICTORIA COUNTIES  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURTS (24<sup>TH</sup>, 135<sup>TH</sup>, 267<sup>TH</sup>, 377<sup>TH</sup>)

STANDING ORDER OF THE COURT

Pursuant to the inherent powers of the Court and pursuant to the powers granted under §105.009 of the Texas Family Code in a SUIT AFFECTING THE PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP (hereinafter "SAPCR") FILED ON OR AFTER SEPTEMBER 1, 2003, [whether it is an original suit or a motion to modify], the Court finds that it is in the best interest of the child(ren) to require the parties to attend and successfully complete a "Parent Education and Stabilization Course" that meets the requirements of Texas Family Code §105.009 (portions attached) prior to the final hearing date except as noted below.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the parties to a "SAPCR" (whether it is an original suit or a motion to modify an existing order) shall attend and successfully complete a "Parent Education and Stabilization Course" that meets the requirements of §105.009 of the Texas Family Code and file evidence of completion prior to the final hearing date except as noted below.

EXCEPTIONS. A party is not required under this order to attend a "Parent Education and Stabilization Course" as follows:

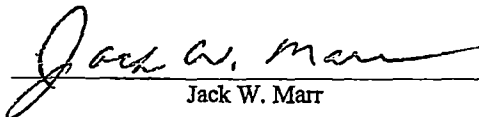
- 1) The Respondent defaults, the parties agree to all SAPCR issues, or the SAPCR is otherwise uncontested;
- 2) The Department of Protective and Regulatory Services is a party to the suit;
- 3) The Texas Attorney General appears in the suit or represents a party and the matter is heard only by the Master;
- 4) The suit only involves a hearing on an application for a Protective Order set pursuant to Title 4 of the Family Code;
- 5) The party provides proof of completion of the course three times in the last five (5) years; or
- 6) On motion showing good cause.

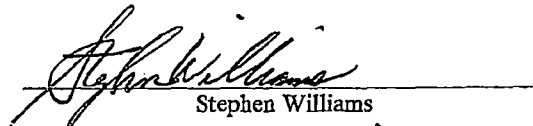
REQUIREMENTS TO SET A CONTESTED SAPCR. If a SAPCR is "contested" (that is - disputed conservatorship, conservator's rights, child support, possession or access), the SAPCR issue will be heard only by a written request for a setting on the CONTESTED SAPCR DOCKET which will then be set by the Court or the clerk with 45 days notice. Any SAPCR not set on the CONTESTED SAPCR DOCKET will only be heard if the SAPCR is a default, uncontested or agreed.

IT IS ORDERED that a copy of this order shall be provided as follows: Petitioner's/Movant's attorney to petitioner/movant; Respondent's attorney to respondent; District Clerk to pro se petitioner/movant at time of filing; District Clerk to each person served by citation by attaching to citation.

SANCTIONS: The Court may employ sanctions, including contempt of court, as set forth in Texas Family Code §105.009.

SO ORDERED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

  
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