

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF BEDFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

**IN RE: CHANGE IN JUVENILE DEPENDENCY
PROCEDURES DURING JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FROM
COVID-19**

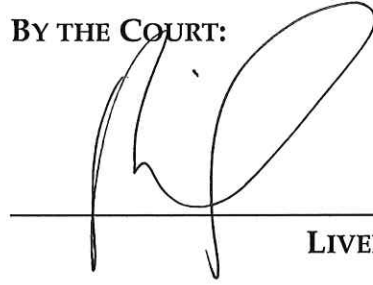
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ORDER OF COURT

AND NOW, Tuesday, March 17, 2020, inasmuch as this court has declared a judicial emergency under Pennsylvania Rule of Judicial Administration 1952(B)(2) in response to the expected spread of COVID-19, the Order of Court is as follows:

1. All visitation by Order of Court and/or Pennsylvania Code Sections 3130.68 and 3490.235 between an adjudicated youth in placement and their parent, guardian, sibling or prospective placement resource, guardian ad litem, and Bedford County Children and Youth Services shall be done by video conferencing, telephone calls, or by any other means of video or audio communications other than in-person contact.
2. Bedford County Children and Youth Services shall make any and all reasonable efforts to assist families in said methods of communicating and make said contact as meaningful as is practicable.
3. This Order of Court shall remain in full force and effect until the declaration of judicial emergency in the 57th Judicial District has ended.

BY THE COURT:



LIVENGOOD, J.

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