

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY
STATE OF MISSOURI

FAMILY COURT ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE ORDER NO. 194

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DESIGNATING FAMILY COURT JUDGE TO
APPROVE COMMISSIONER'S FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

WHEREAS, the Family Court of St. Louis County was created by Sections 1 through 14 of House Bill 346 in the 87th General Assembly;

WHEREAS, the Honorable Jason Dodson has been appointed Administrative Judge of the Family Court of St. Louis County pursuant to Sections 487.010.3 RS.Mo.;

WHEREAS certain changes have been made in the assignment of the Judges of the Circuit Court of St. Louis County;

WHEREAS Missouri Supreme Court Rule 130.05, Assignment of Cases to Commissioner, "the administrative judge may direct that any case or class of cases pending in the court to be heard by the commissioner in the manner provided for hearing of cases by law, shall be heard in the first instance by a commissioner." And further pursuant to Missouri Supreme Court Rule 130.08, "Upon the conclusion for the proceedings or case, the commissioner shall transmit to the administrative judge or such other judge as shall be designated by the administrative judge all papers relative to the proceedings or case, together with the commissioner's findings and recommendations in writing."

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT effective January 1, 2022, the findings and recommendations entered in cases by Commissioner Catherine Keefe (Division 62) are assigned to Family Court Judge Jason Dodson (Division 10) for entry of the judgments and for consideration of any application for rehearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED if designated family court judges are not available for entry of judgment, the findings and recommendations of a commissioner may be transmitted by the commissioner to any available family court judge for entry of the judgment. However, all motions for rehearing shall be heard by the family court judge who was designated to consider any application for rehearing and not to the judge who actually approved the judgment.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Circuit Clerk provide notice of this change in approval of Commissioner's Findings and Recommendations by causing this order to be published as soon as practicable in *The St. Louis Countian*, by posting a copy of this order in a conspicuous place in the Office of the Circuit Clerk, and by making copies of this order available for distribution from the Office of the Circuit Clerk.

SO ORDERED:



Judge Dodson

Division 10

Jason Dodson
Administrative Judge of the Family Court

Entered this 3rd day of January, 2022.