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EXHIBIT A

ADOPTION OF NEW RULE 27 TO THE DISTRICT COURT RULES

Rule 27. Report and findings regarding placement of a child in a qualified residential treatment program.

1. In any child dependency matter where a qualified individual determines that a child should not be placed in a foster home, a report indicating the reasons that such a placement is not appropriate as it is unable to meet the needs of the child shall be submitted to the court.

2. The court shall make findings within 60 days of the date of the initial placement, on the record, regarding its determination as to the placement of, or decision not to place, a child subject to any such report as provided in subsection 1 of this rule into a qualified residential treatment program.

3. The court must order that such findings are to be included by the child welfare agency in any report or case plan as required by federal or state law or regulation.

4. The term “qualified individual” means a trained professional or licensed clinician who is not an employee of the child welfare agency and who is not connected to, or affiliated with, any placement setting in which children are placed.

5. This rule expires on January 1, 2024, or upon the effective date of any superseding legislation pertaining to the placement of children in a qualified residential treatment program, whichever comes first.

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