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Change in Dependency Case Numbering

Effective October 1, 2019, case numbering for Dependency Cases will change. Root case numbers will remain consistent throughout the life of the case. The family will share the same root case number and the children will be given an *alpha* designation. Root case numbers will no longer change after jurisdiction is terminated.

Odyssey Case Number Schematic:

19 CC JP 12345 A
(1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

(1) Year

(2) CC = Children's Court **or LJ = Lancaster**

(3) JP = **Juvenile Dependency**

(4) Root Number

(5) Alpha Identifier

***Root Number consists of year petition was filed, CC, JP (or LP), and 12345.**

Numbering Schematic When a Child Re-Enters

When a child's prior dependency case is terminated and a new petition is filed, the case number schematic is as follows:

The root number will remain the same.

The child will receive the *next sequential available alpha designation*.

Example: A family with two children have case numbers: 17CCJP12345A and 17CCJP12345B. Jurisdiction is terminated on minor A and minor A is named on a future petition, that minor will be assigned **17CCJP12345C**, which is the *next sequential available alpha designation with* the original root case number (the first two digits will identify the year).

New Petition Filings

In the instance that a new petition is filed on a minor previously named in a petition with a *legacy* case number, (issued prior to Odyssey go-live), the petition will receive a *new* root case number with the Odyssey case number schematic, i.e.; 19CCJP12345A.

Non-Minor Dependents

Non-Minor Dependents will be issued a new case number at the hearing when the court finds the youth eligible to be a non-minor dependent. The court will terminate the youth from the prior court number and assign the youth a new court number consistent with case numbering schematic. **The minute order will reflect the new NMD court number.** All future court reports must reflect the new NMD number.



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