

I. LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE RULE (LAR)

Local Administration Rule 1 JUVENILE COURT DEPARTMENTS

- A. Pursuant to the termination of all agreements by the Benton County Board of County Commissioners and the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners to operate and fund the bi-county juvenile court, then effective June 1, 2026, there shall be two juvenile court departments.
1. There shall be a juvenile department of the court in Benton County in which all matters under juvenile court laws shall be heard, which shall be called the Benton County Juvenile Department.
 2. There shall be a juvenile department of the court in Franklin County in which all matters under juvenile court laws shall be heard, which shall be called the Franklin County Juvenile Department.
 3. All judges and court commissioners of the Benton and Franklin Superior Court are designated as judicial officers for the juvenile courts in each county.

[Adopted Effective June 1, 2026]

Local Administrative Rule 2 TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATION OF JUVENILE DETENTION

- A. Pursuant to RCW 13.04.035 and a unanimous vote of the judges of the Superior Court, and by agreement of Franklin County Board of County Commissioners through Resolution 2026-172, the Superior Court does hereby transfer administration of juvenile detention services for juveniles prosecuted through the Franklin County Juvenile Department of the Franklin County Superior Court, pursuant to the Agreement Regarding the Provision of Juvenile Detention Services in Franklin County dated May 6, 2026 to the executive branch of Franklin County effective June 1, 2026. Such transfer does not include administration of court services or probation services, which remains the responsibility of Benton & Franklin County Superior Court.
- B. Pursuant to RCW 13.04.035 and a unanimous vote of the judges of the Superior Court, and by agreement of Benton County Board of County Commissioners through Resolution 2026-141, the Superior Court does hereby transfer administration of juvenile detention services for juveniles prosecuted through the Benton County Juvenile Department of the Benton County Superior Court, pursuant to the Agreement Regarding the Provision of Juvenile Detention Services in Benton County dated March 13, 2026 to the executive branch of Benton County effective June 1, 2026. Such transfer does not include administration of court services or

probation services, which remains the responsibility of Benton & Franklin County Superior Court.

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Local Administration Rule 4
PRESENTATION OF ORDERS AFTER DENIAL BY JUDICIAL OFFICER

- A. Reapplication for Order.** When an order has been applied for and denied in whole or in part or has been granted conditionally and the condition has not been performed, the same application for an order must not be presented to any another judicial officer without advising the second judicial officer of the fact that the order was previously refused or conditioned.

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