## In the Supreme Court of the State of Idaho

IN RE: AMENDMENT OF IDAHO COURT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE (I.C.A.R.) 32

ORDER AMENDING RULE

The Court having reviewed the recommendations of the Rule 32 Committee and the Administrative Conference to amend Idaho Court Administrative Rule 32,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that subsection (g)(9) of Idaho Court Administrative Rule 32, be, and the same is hereby, amended as follows:

- (9) Juvenile court records as herein after provided:
- (A) All court records of Child Protective Act proceedings.
- (B) In Juvenile Corrections Act cases filed before July 1, 2017, Aall court records of Juvenile Corrections Act proceedings on a petition filed under I.C. § 20-510 pending an admit/deny hearing held pursuant to Rule 6, I.J.R. to permit the parties to request that the court consider, or permit the court to consider on its own motion, closing the records and files. Thereafter the court records shall be open unless the court enters an order exempting them from disclosure. At the admit/deny hearing the court shall determine whether the court records shall remain exempt from disclosure as provided in 1. and 2. below:
  - 1. Court records of Juvenile Corrections Act proceedings brought against a juvenile under the age of fourteen (14), or brought against a juvenile fourteen (14) years or older who is charged with an act that would not be a felony if committed by an adult, shall be exempt from disclosure if the court determines by a written order in each case that the records should be closed to the public.
  - 2. Court records of Juvenile Corrections Act proceedings brought against a juvenile fourteen (14) years or older who is charged with an act which would be a felony if committed by an adult, shall be exempt from disclosure if the court determines upon a written order made in each case that extraordinary circumstances exist which justify that the records should be confidential. (C) If a juvenile fourteen (14) years or older who is charged with an act which would be a felony if committed by an adult If the juvenile is not found to have committed an act which would be a felony if committed by an adult or the charge is reduced to allege an act which would not constitute a felony if committed by an adult, all existing and future case records and documents shall be exempt from disclosure if the court determines by written order in each case that the court records should be closed to the public.

- (C) In Juvenile Corrections Act cases filed on or after July 1, 2017, all court records of Juvenile Corrections Act proceedings on a petition filed under I.C. § 20-510 except as provided in 1, 2, and 3 below:
  - 1. The court may release juvenile court records if the court finds, upon motion by the prosecuting attorney, interested party, or other interested persons, that the public's interest in the right to know outweighs the adverse effect of the release of the records on the juvenile's rehabilitation and competency development. In making this decision, the court may consider the following factors:
    - a. Age of the juvenile;
    - b. Seriousness of the offense:
    - c. Whether the offense deals with persons or property;
    - d. Prior record of the juvenile:
    - e. The juvenile's risk to reoffend; and
    - f. The impact on the victim or victims.
  - 2. The following individuals or entities may inspect juvenile court records without a court order unless otherwise prohibited by law:
    - a. Probation officers:
    - b. Law enforcement officers:
    - c. The Department of Juvenile Corrections;
    - d. The Department of Correction:
    - e. The Department of Health and Welfare pursuant to its statutory responsibilities in title 16, chapter 16; title 16, chapter 24; or title 20, chapter 5, Idaho Code.
  - 3. The victim of misconduct is entitled to receive:
    - a. The name, address and telephone number of the juvenile offender involved:
    - b. the name of the juvenile offender's parents or guardians, and their addresses and telephone numbers;
    - c. The petition, the decree, and orders of restitution;

## d. Any other information as provided in title 19, chapter 53, Idaho Code.

- (D) Notwithstanding any other provision of paragraph (g)(9) of this rule, reports prepared pursuant to I.C. § 20-520(1), and other records and reports described in paragraph (g)(17) of this rule are exempt from disclosure.
- (E) Notwithstanding any other provision of paragraph (g)(9) of this rule, the court shall make available upon the written request of a superintendent or an employee of the school district authorized by the board of trustees of the school district, the facts contained in any records of a juvenile maintained under Chapter 5, Title 20, Idaho Code. If a request is made to examine records in courts of multiple districts, it shall be ruled upon by the Chief Justice.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that this order and these amendments shall be effective the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2017.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the above designation of the striking of words from the Rules by lining through them, and the designation of the addition of new portions of the Rules by underlining such new portion is for the purposes of information only as amended, and NO OTHER AMENDMENTS ARE INTENDED. The lining through and underlining shall not be considered a part of the permanent Idaho Court Administrative Rules.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Clerk of the Court shall cause notice of this Order to be published in one issue of *The Advocate*.

DATED this 30th day of June, 2017.

By Order of the Supreme Court

Joel Horton, Justice

ATTEST:

Clerk

I, Karel A. Lehrman, Clerk of the Supreme Court/ Court of Appeals of the State of Idaho, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the

cause and now on record in my office WITNESS my hand and the Sear of this Court

Karel A Lehrman, Clerk

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