



ATLANTIC COUNTY- FAMILY DIVISION

Superior Court of New Jersey
1201 Bacharach Boulevard, Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401
General Information

Family Division Units

Non-Dissolution Unit (FD Dockets)

Location: 1st Floor, Room 117

Telephone: (609) 594-3442

Fax Number: (609) 343-2291

The Non-Dissolution Unit handles custody, parenting time, paternity, non-welfare child support cases for unmarried couple or married couples who have not filed for divorce, welfare child support cases filed by Bureau of Social Services, and out of state child support cases (UIFSA).

Child Support Matters for FD/FM/FV Cases only

* For child support cases, court staff is available to meet with you after your child support establishment or modification hearing to answer questions about your court order and to provide individual assistance. Applications to have direct pay child support made payable through Probation may also be made through this division.

Dissolution Unit (FM docket)

Location: 1st Floor, Room 130

Telephone: (609) 594-3320

Fax Number: (609) 343-2145

The Dissolution Unit handles all divorce complaints, post-judgment motions (request for relief after divorce or dissolution of a civil union).

Domestic Violence Unit (FV & FO Dockets)

Location: 1st Floor, Room 130

Telephone: (609) 594-3320

Fax Number: (609) 343-2145

Domestic Violence Complaints may be filed between 8:30a.m. - 4:30p.m. After 4:00p.m. or on weekends or holidays, complaints and requests for restraining orders should be filed at a police station or Municipal Court in the city where the incident occurred or where the person lives. Helpful resources and literature are available, including information on specialized domestic violence and service providers.

Juvenile Unit (FJ & FF Dockets)

Location: 2nd floor, Room 210

Telephone: (609) 594-3305 / 3318

Fax Number: (609) 826-7038

The Juvenile Unit handles complaints filed against persons under the age of 18, as well as Family Crisis Petitions. This unit is responsible for the docketing and scheduling of all juvenile delinquency and family crisis matters. Cases are divided into the following categories for purposes of scheduling court hearings: 1) Court, Representation Mandatory; 2) Court, Representation Not Mandatory; 3) Juvenile Referee; 4) Intake Service Conference; and 5) Juvenile Conference Committee.

Children in Court Services Unit (FC, FL, FN FG & FA Dockets)

Location: 2nd Floor, Room 230

Telephone: (609) 594-3509

Fax Number: (609) 343-2290

This unit handles child placement, child abuse and neglect cases, termination of parental rights, kinship legal guardianship, and adoptions.

Family Division Programs

Matrimonial Early Settlement Panel

Telephone: (609) 594-3927

The Matrimonial Early Settlement Program helps divorcing parties settle or resolve issues that are in dispute.

Parent Education Program

Telephone: (609) 594-3560

This program is required by law for divorcing parties under the Dissolution docket (FM) and is designed to give parents information about the difficult transition of separation and divorce. It is also available for unmarried parties under the Non-Dissolution docket (FD).

Family Mediation Program

Telephone: (609) 594-3560

Mediation is an informal proceeding where parties can meet with a mediator to discuss and resolve issues regarding custody and parenting time. Cases in which an active Domestic Violence Restraining Order is between the parties are excluded from this program.

Child Welfare Mediation

Telephone: (609) 594-3560

This program allows parties to meet in a confidential setting to explore options and resolve issues concerning their children in the care of the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P).

Case Management Conference (CMC)

Telephone: (609)-594-3442

Consent hearings may also be scheduled through the Non-Dissolution Team if the parties can agree on the terms of custody, support, parenting time, and etc.

Child Placement Review (CPR)

Telephone: (609) 594-3509

The Child Placement Review Board is a court appointed committee, composed of trained citizen volunteers who live in the County. These boards review children who are placed outside of their home by Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P) until the child is returned home or another permanent living arrangement has been provided.

Juvenile Intake Services Conference (ISC)

Telephone: (609) 594-3315 / 3431

The Intake Services Conference is set up to hear matters concerning delinquency complaints that are relatively minor in nature.

Juvenile Conference Committees (JCC)

Telephone: (609) 594-3536

The Juvenile Conference Committee is a court appointed committee, composed of trained citizen volunteers who live in the County. These committees will hear and determine first and second time minor juvenile delinquency matters in an informal setting with the goal of avoiding formal court action and preventing future misconduct.

Juvenile Referee

Telephone: (609)-594-3536

A Juvenile Referee handles cases that are too complex for a diversion program, yet may not be severe enough for a Court hearing before a Judge. A Juvenile Referee will hear the case and make specific recommendations to the Judge who will sign the ultimate Order.

Other Important Court Information

Child Support Enforcement Unit – Probation

Location: 1st Floor

Telephone: 1-877-NJKiDS1

www.njchildsupport.org

The Child Support Enforcement Unit is part of the Probation Division. This Unit monitors child support payments and seeks court action when those payments are overdue.

Payments: Finance, 1st Floor

Fees required for initiating a Non-Dissolution or Dissolution case are handled by Finance. Child Support payments are also handled by the Finance Unit.

Transcript Requests:

Location: 3rd Floor

Telephone: (609) 594-3250

This office receives, processes, and monitors all court transcripts requests.

Records Requests:

Individuals requesting court records must complete a request form in the appropriate Family Division Unit and pay the appropriate copy fee.

Interpreting Services

Individuals who need an interpreter should inform court staff at the time a complaint is filed. Once the court is informed of the request, the appropriate interpreter will be scheduled.

Public Kiosk

A public kiosk to process Child Support, IV-D applications is available in the main lobby, West Wing, located on the 1st floor.

Family Division Mailbox

Court users who have questions about a Family Division court process or procedure involving their specific Family Division case may email their questions to the Family Division Mailbox:

ATLFamily.Mailbox@judiciary.state.nj.us

Office of the Ombudsman

Location: 2nd Floor

Telephone: (609) 594-3346

The Ombudsman provides public information, community relations and court user assistance services. The Ombudsman is a neutral staff person who answers questions, addresses concerns from the public and is responsible for enhancing customer service in the courts.

ATLOmbudsman.mailbox@judiciary.state.nj.us

Security

Security for each of the courtrooms is provided by the Atlantic County Sheriff's Office. You should contact them about any security concerns or emergencies



ADA Information

Individuals who need an accommodation for a disability may call **(609) 594-3403**.

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