

Court Observation Tool

Case # 203V6297 Coder AS Judge Marsh
 Hearing Date / / Start time: _____ End time: _____
 (N/A= Not applicable)

Parties Present		Parent/Youth Engagement --Did the judge...	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mother Atty	Explain the hearing purpose/process?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Y
<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Father Atty	Speak directly to the person?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Y
<input type="checkbox"/> Child(ren)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Child Atty	Address the person by name?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Y
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caseworker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Relative	Ask if they have questions?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Y
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AG/DA	<input type="checkbox"/> Interpreter	Identify the next steps?	<input type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Y
<input type="checkbox"/> CASA	<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Rep.	Ask if person understands next steps?	<input type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Y
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GAL	<input type="checkbox"/> Tx Provider	Give person opportunity to be heard?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Y
<input type="checkbox"/> Foster Parent		Through attorney only?	<input type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Y
<input type="checkbox"/> Other					

(0= No discussion, 1=Statement only, 2=more than 1 statement)

Breadth & Depth of Key Topics

	Discussion Level
Child's Placement	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 N/A
home	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
relative	
Educational needs/placement	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 N/A
Child physical health	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2
Child mental health/development	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2
Specific safety concerns	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 N/A
Visitation	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 N/A
Efforts to reunify family/prevent removal	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2
Maintaining permanency connections	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2
Parent's rights/process/perm timeframes	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 N/A
Review of petition	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Paternity	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 N/A
Relative Resources	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 N/A
Safety planning	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 N/A
Preventing child from returning home today?	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 N/A

Did judge inquire about Indian heritage? Y N

FINDINGS/ORDERS

Finding that ICWA does/does not apply Y N

Reasonable Efforts finding Y N

- Reasonable efforts **were** made to prevent Removal
- Reasonable efforts **were not** made
- Reasonable efforts were not required
- Reasonable efforts were withheld/cont'd

Placement in the home is contrary to the welfare of the child Y N

Set the next hearing date on the record? Y N Consider parent's availability? Y N