

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 20-09**

Special Order for Access to Juvenile Records by National Center for Juvenile Justice

WHEREAS, under D.C. Code § 16-2331(c)(5), the Court may permit, by special order, the inspection of juvenile case records by persons having a professional interest in the work of the Family Court; and

WHEREAS, the National Center for Juvenile Justice (“NCJJ”), the research division of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, has a professional interest in the work of the Family Court; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Order 19-05 permitted NCJJ to inspect, compile, and analyze juvenile delinquency and persons in need of supervision case records described in Attachment A of the Restricted Data Use Agreement Between the DC Courts and National Center for Juvenile Justice executed on April 22, 2019, to create national estimates of juvenile court delinquency and status offense caseloads and case processing activities; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Order 19-05 required NCJJ to seek prior approval of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia before using the information for any other purpose; and

WHEREAS, NCJJ seeks the Superior Court’s approval to use the information to conduct a birth cohort analysis and report on youth born in 2000 who had at least one contact with the system before aging out;

NOW THEREFORE, it is by the Court,

ORDERED, that NCJJ may inspect, compile, and analyze the information from juvenile delinquency and persons in need of supervision case records for the purpose described in the Restricted Data Use Agreement Amendment executed on June 30, 2020; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that the information shall only be used by NCJJ for the purposed authorized in Restricted Data Use Agreement Between the DC Courts and National Center for Juvenile Justice executed on April 22, 2019 and the Restricted Data Use Agreement Amendment executed on June 30, 2020; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that no publication or data analysis tool to which NCJJ contributes this information shall contain any information from which it would be possible to identify any party, witness, social worker, judicial officer, or other person contained or mentioned in the juvenile records; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that the information shall not be disclosed to any other person or for any other purpose without prior approval of the Superior Court.

SO ORDERED.

BY THE COURT

July 14, 2020



Robert E. Morin
Chief Judge

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