

**Domestic Relations Committee**  
Judicial Conference of Indiana

**Minutes**  
May 15, 2009

The Domestic Relations Committee met in Indianapolis, Indiana on Friday, May 15, 2009, from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Indiana Judicial Center.

1. Members present. Craig J. Bobay, Francis G. Hill, Karen M. Love, Sheryl L. Lynch, Nanette K. Raduenz, Frederick A. Schurger, Deborah J. Shook, and William C. Fee, Chair, were present.
2. Staff present. Jeffrey Bercovitz provided the committee with staff assistance.
3. Guests present. Amber Njau, Project Analyst; Cynthia Longest, Deputy Director, Child Support Bureau; Robert Monday, Parents and Children Equality; and David Morris, Title IV-D Deputy Prosecutor, Marion County Prosecutor's Office were also present.
4. Minutes approved. The minutes for the March 20, 2009 meeting were approved.
5. Draft child support guidelines. Committee members reviewed comments submitted by topic area:
  - a. The proposed Health Insurance Premium Worksheet was reviewed. They agreed if the parents already had insurance for their children the worksheet did not have to be completed. They also made changes to ease the preparation of the worksheet.
  - b. The "Child Multipliers" were revised on the Child Support Obligation Worksheet and put in the form of a credit. The committee agreed the credit should encompass eight (8), not just five (5) children. They agreed to contact Dr. Venohr to recalculate the credit and revised the table in the child support guidelines on the credit. Judge Love and Judge Hill agreed to revise the language in the commentary about the multiplier to indicate is now a credit.
  - c. Mr. David Morris reviewed the proposed language on the social security in the child support guidelines with members of the committee. Judge Chapleau joined in the discussion via speakerphone. Judge Chapleau and Magistrate Raduenz agreed to revise the commentary to the proposed social security language to indicate its departure from existing Indiana law.
6. Next meeting. Committee members agreed continue to discuss topic areas for revision based on the comments received by the committee. They agreed to meet on Friday, June 12 at 9:00 a.m.; then on July 17, August 21, and October 16, 2009 from 10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. all at the Indiana Judicial Center.

Respectfully submitted,

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