

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE OF THE COURTS**

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, and with the advice and consent of the Administrative Board of the Courts, I hereby add, effective immediately, a new section 127.6 of the Rules of the Chief Administrator of the Courts, relating to the training of attorneys for children on domestic violence, to read as follows:

§127.6 Training of Attorneys for Children on Domestic Violence

(a) Attorneys for children appointed pursuant to section 249 of the Family Court shall receive initial and ongoing training on domestic violence, including the dynamics of domestic violence, its effect on victims and on children, and the relationship between such dynamics and the issues considered by the court, including, but not limited to, custody, visitation and child support.

(b) For representation provided under an agreement pursuant to section 243(a) of the Family Court Act, the Chief Administrator of the Courts shall provide for development of training programs with the input of and in consultation with the state office for the prevention of domestic violence, and such training programs, along with the providers of such training, shall be approved by the Chief Administrator of the Courts.

(c) For representation provided under an agreement pursuant to section 243(b) of the Family Court Act or by a panel of attorneys for children pursuant to section 243(c) of the Family Court Act, the Appellate Divisions shall provide for development of training

programs with the input of and in consultation with the state office for the prevention of domestic violence, and such training programs, along with the providers of such training, shall be approved by the Appellate Divisions.

(d) The Chief Administrator of the Courts, with respect to representation pursuant to section 243(a) of the Family Court Act, and the Appellate Divisions, with respect to representation pursuant to section 243(b) and (c) of the Family Court Act, shall establish procedures to assure compliance with subdivision (a) of this rule.

Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts

Dated:

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