

**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 promulgate, effective immediately, a new section 205.7-a of the Uniform Rules for the Family Court, authorizing pilot projects involving the electronic transmission of orders of protection, to read as follows:

Section 205.7-a. Electronic Transmission of Orders of Protection.

(a) The Family Courts in Albany, Erie, Kings, Monroe, Nassau, New York, Onondaga, Richmond and Westchester Counties are authorized to implement pilot projects for the electronic transmission of orders of protection and temporary orders of protection through the execution of memoranda of understanding with sheriff's offices, police departments or other law enforcement agencies as set forth in this section.

(b) Unless the party requesting the order of protection or temporary order of protection states on the record that he or she is making alternative arrangements for service or is delivering the order to the law enforcement agency directly, the Family Court may transmit the order of protection or temporary order of protection, together with any associated papers to be served simultaneously, to such agency by facsimile or other electronic means, as defined in subdivision (f) of rule 2103 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules, for expedited service in accordance with subdivision (c) of section one hundred fifty-three-b of the Family Court Act. Proof of service must be provided to the Court pursuant to subdivision (d) of such section and no fees may be charged by the agency for such service.

Such transmission shall constitute the filing required by section one hundred sixty-eight of the Family Court Act.

(c) The Family Court shall keep a record of the numbers of orders of protection and temporary orders of protection transmitted electronically to law enforcement agencies pursuant to the pilot project, the numbers of orders transmitted electronically for service by such agencies and the length of time between issuance of the orders and service of the orders by the law enforcement agencies, as indicated in the proof of service submitted by such agencies.

Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts

Dated:

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