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V. Magaña

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
JUVENILE DIVISION

) BLANKET ORDER NO. 33
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) ORDER AUTHORIZING THE
) DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION
) BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
) DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES,
) CHILD SERVICES DIVISION, AND
) OUT-OF-STATE CHILD PROTECTIVE
) SERVICES DIVISIONS.
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Riverside County Department of Social Services-Child Services Division (DPSS-CSD) is responsible for satisfying and carrying out statutory duties and mandated obligations as set out in Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 202.5 and 10051 and in regulations promulgated the state Department of Social Services pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 16501.

As part of these duties, DPSS-CSD works with Child Protective Services Divisions across the nation to assist with obtaining information pertaining to child abuse and neglect for prospective foster or adoptive parents who have lived in the State of California, and for any other adult living in the home of such a prospective parent, before the prospective foster or adoptive parent may be finally approved for placement of a child. DPSS-CSD also works with out-of-state Child Protective Services on investigations where parents have crossed state lines. These are goals contemplated and addressed by The Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act (Public Law 109-248, Social Security Act Title IV-E) and Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act (CANRA) (Pen. Code, § 11164 et seq.) Timely release of information about confidential juvenile dependency investigations and proceedings is necessary to expeditiously examine circumstances of children's safety in these investigations by out-of-state Child Protective Services

1 Divisions. Welfare and Institutions Code Section 827 subdivision (a)(1)(H) permits the sharing of
2 Juvenile Case File Information with members of the child protective agencies as described in Section
3 11165.9 of the Penal Code.

4 In order to facilitate this process, the juvenile court hereby finds good cause and issues a standing
5 order authorizing DPSS-CSD to provide juvenile court files and/or electronic record to out-of-state Child
6 Protective Services Divisions for use in their child welfare investigations and background investigations
7 in prospective adoptive and foster parents.

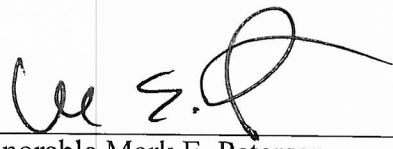
8 This order provides a limited waiver of the requirements of Welfare Institutions Code Section 827,
9 California Rules of Court, rule 5.552 and Riverside Superior Court – Juvenile Division Blanket Order No.
10 15 and includes the following protective measures for records released by DPSS-CSD to out-of-state
11 Child Protective Services Divisions:

- 12 1. The records provided are to be limited in scope to that information necessary to address issues
13 that are under investigation and/or review by the out-of-state Child Protective Services
14 Division. Otherwise, specific and confidential information about the parties involved in any
15 particular juvenile court file or electronic record should be appropriately redacted.
- 16 2. The records shall be clearly marked with the instruction, “This record contains confidential
17 information. Unlawful dissemination of this record is a misdemeanor.”
- 18 3. DPSS-CSD shall specifically inform the out-of-state Child Protective Services Divisions that
19 the records provided are deemed confidential and advise the out-of-state Child Protective
20 Services Divisions, in writing, that any person that views the records must be advised of the
21 confidential nature and specific management of the records. Additionally, in regards to further
22 dissemination, DPSS-CSD shall inform the receiving parties of the confidentiality
23 requirements of Welfare and Institutions Code section 827, California Rules of Court, Rule
24 5.552, Riverside Superior Court – Juvenile Division Blanket Order No. 15, and any additional
25 privacy or confidentiality protections under state law that may protect the information and
26 documents released pursuant to this order.

1 4. Names or other identifying information about children or adults that may have been parties to
2 any particular juvenile dependency investigation or proceeding and disclosed subject to this
3 order shall not be further published in any other document.

4 5. This order shall remain in effect until or unless it is revoked or otherwise amended on the
5 motion of the Juvenile Court Presiding Judge.

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8 Dated: 6/2/22

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11 Honorable Mark E. Petersen
12 Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court
13 Riverside Superior Court
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