



SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

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NOTICE OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR COURT APPOINTED COUNSEL IN DEPENDENCY PROCEEDINGS

TO: All Parents or Persons Responsible For The Support Of A Minor Child

FROM: The Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo, Juvenile Court

You are advised that if you and or your minor child(ren) obtain court appointed counsel under Welfare and Institutions Code (W&I) section 317, where you are financially unable afford to provide your own counsel, and/or counsel is appointed for the minor child(ren), you may be responsible for reimbursing the Court for the appointed counsel under W&I § 903.1 as follows:

1. Appointed Counsel for Minor. The father, mother, spouse, or other person liable for the support of a minor (the responsible parties), the estate of that person, and the estate of the minor, shall be liable for the cost to the court for legal services rendered to the minor by a court appointed attorney under W&I §317. The responsible parties will share in the responsibility for reimbursing the court for the cost of the court appointed counsel as determined by the judicial officer.
2. Appointed Counsel for Parent/Spouse or Other Responsible Adult. The father, mother, spouse, or other person liable for the support of a minor and the estate of that person shall also be liable for the cost to the court for court appointed legal services rendered directly to that person in a dependency proceeding.
3. Filing of a Financial Declaration. You will be required to complete a Financial Declaration Form, local court form JV-12, and present it to the Court at the Jurisdiction/Disposition hearing.
4. Determination of Ability to Reimburse. The Court will make a final determination of your ability to reimburse the Court for the cost of court appointed legal services based on the information provided on the Financial Declaration.
5. Compliance with Court Order. You will be required to comply with the Court's order regarding the responsibility to pay for the court appointed legal services.