AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER In Re: Online Parent Education Classes

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. 518.157 requires the Chief Judge of each Judicial District to implement within the District one or more parent education programs, which may include inperson or online courses, at the discretion of the Chief Judge; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Supreme Court promulgates Parent Education Minimum Standards for online parent education courses; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota State Court Administrator's Office approves parent education courses as being in compliance with Minn. Stat. 518.157 Subd. 3; and

WHEREAS, in January 2013, the Third District bench did not see a need to require a uniform rule throughout the District regarding the use of online parenting education classes. Parties permitted by a Third Judicial District judge to attend an online parenting education course shall attend one of the approved courses posted on the Minnesota Judicial Branch public website: www.mncourts.gov/Find-Courts/Third-Judicial-District/Parents-Forever-Classes.aspx

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that members of the Third Judicial District bench shall make individual determinations, based on the needs of each case, as to whether or not parties are permitted to attend an online parenting education course in lieu of an in-person parenting education course.

BY THE COURT,

Dated this 23day of January 2019

Hon Jodi L. Williamson

Third Judicial District Chief Judge