

**JUDGE JOHN A. GADOLA (P-46456)**  
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**PROCEDURE AND PROTOCOL (Updated 4/29/2014)**

**Domestic Cases**

**Monday Motion Calendar:**

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9:00 a.m.	Judgments
9:30 a.m.	Prosecutor Cases
10:00 a.m.	FOC Scheduled Cases and Objections to Referee Recommendations
10:30 a.m.	Name Changes
11:00 a.m.	Show Cause Hearings (not FOC) and PPO Hearings
1:30 p.m.	All Temporary Motions

**Adjournment of Motions:** Three adjournments without re-notice. Contact the Judge's court clerk, Kim Anderson, at (810) 257-3220, extension 7674, the Judge's office or see the clerk in court on motion day.

**Divorce with Children:**

**Mandatory Settlement Conference:** Scheduled approximately six months after initial filing of Complaint. **Counsel and parties must appear.** If an adjournment is requested, the Court requires a Stipulated Order of Adjournment. **Adjournments allowed for good cause only.** At the time of the Mandatory Settlement Conference, the Court expects that the parties will have exchanged proposed Judgments.

**Non-Jury Trial:** Scheduled after the mandatory settlement conference as the Court's domestic docket will allow. **Counsel and parties must appear.** If an adjournment is requested, the Court requires a Stipulated Order of Adjournment. **Adjournments allowed for good cause only.** It is the Court's position that all efforts to negotiate a settlement must be exhausted before the Court will begin a trial.

**Waiver of Statutory Time Period:** The Court will consider waiver of the time period on a case-by-case basis.

**Divorce without Children:**

**Mandatory Settlement Conference:** Scheduled approximately one month after initial filing of Complaint. **Counsel and parties must appear.** If an adjournment is requested, the Court requires a Stipulated Order of Adjournment. **Adjournments allowed for good cause only.** At the time of the Mandatory Settlement Conference, the Court expects that the parties will have exchanged proposed Judgments.

**Non-Jury Trial:** Scheduled after the mandatory settlement conference as the Court’s domestic docket will allow. **Counsel and parties must appear.** If an adjournment is requested, the Court requires a Stipulated Order of Adjournment. **Adjournments allowed for good cause only.** It is the Court’s position that all efforts to negotiate a settlement must be exhausted before the Court will begin a trial.

**Ex-Parte Orders:** Are considered on a case by case basis.

**Delinquent and Neglect Cases**

**Juvenile/Neglect Calendar:**

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	NA Contested Pretrials (CPT)/Formal Hearings Delinquent Cases Juvenile Delinquent Matters Neglect and Abuse Cases
Wed., Thurs., Fri. 9:30 a.m.	Neglect and/or Juvenile Trials