

RULES FOR LOUISIANA DISTRICT COURTS

TITLE V

Twenty-Second Judicial District Court

Parishes of St. Tammany and Washington

Chapter: 41

Chapter Title: Court Organization and Sessions

Appendix 20

Rule No: 41.0

General Organization of Court:
Divisions or Sections of Court

While general jurisdiction divisions A through J continue to have subject matter jurisdiction over all district court matters, including juvenile matters, the subject matter jurisdiction for each of divisions K and L shall be limited to family and juvenile matters as provided by law for other family and juvenile courts in the State.

Adopted effective January 1,
2009

All juvenile matters in St. Tammany and Washington Parishes, as of January 1, 2009, shall be allotted to Divisions K and L on the following basis:

On a three year rotation beginning January 1, 2009, and based on random selection, one of the family/juvenile divisions, either Division K or Division L, shall hear all juvenile matters for St. Tammany Parish while the other shall hear all juvenile matters for Washington Parish. Accordingly, all existing St. Tammany Parish juvenile matters shall be re-allotted from the two general jurisdiction divisions currently hearing St. Tammany Parish juvenile matters to the one family/juvenile division, either Division K or L, randomly selected to hear juvenile matters in that parish, while all existing Washington Parish juvenile matters shall be re-allotted from the one general jurisdiction judge currently hearing Washington Parish juvenile matters to the other family/juvenile division, either Division K or L, not randomly selected to hear juvenile matters in St. Tammany Parish. New juvenile matters, as of January 1, 2009, shall be allotted to the family/juvenile division, either Division K or L, randomly selected to hear juvenile matters in that parish. Every three years thereafter, the juvenile dockets of Divisions K and L shall be swapped between them.

If the judge of either family/juvenile court division K or L is recused from a case, the case will be allotted to the other family/juvenile court division. If both judges of the family/juvenile court divisions K and L are recused from a case: 1) the case will be re-allotted to the general jurisdiction division to which it was allotted prior to January 1, 2009, or 2) in new cases filed on January 1, 2009 and thereafter, the cases will be re-allotted to any of the ten general jurisdiction divisions.
