

**RULE 1915.15      PETITION FOR MODIFICATION OF A CUSTODY ORDER**

- (a) An original and one copy of a Petition for Modification of a Custody Order shall be filed with the Prothonotary together with the administrative fee of \$150.00.
- (b) A Petition for Modification of a Custody Order shall include the following attachments:
  - 1. A Criminal or Abuse History Verification in accordance with Pa.R.C.P. 1915.3-2. This form is available at the Dauphin County Website on the Self-Help Center page.
  - 2. Self-Represented Party Entry of Appearance, if not represented by legal counsel, in accordance with Local Rule 1930.8. This form is available at the Dauphin County Website on the Self-Help Center page.
  - 3. A copy of the most recent Custody Order.
  - 4. The Confidential Information Form.
- (c) The Prothonotary shall promptly forward the original Petition for Modification of a Custody Order with the attachments listed above to the Court Administrator's Office for assignment to a Custody Conference Officer.
- (d) If the parties do not reach an agreement at the Custody Conference (see Local Rule 1915.4-2), the Conference Officer may recommend an Interim Order and the case will be assigned to a Family Court Judge.
- (e) As a general rule, if a Family Court Judge has handled a contested family law case for that family, the matter will be assigned to that Judge.