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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER		
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The Honorable James B. Boyd		Administrative Order 09-01
PARENTING THROUGH DIVORCE CLASS		

The Ninth Judicial district hereby implements the following presumptively mandatory Parenting Through Divorce class order effective February 1, 2009.

Pursuant to 14-10-123.7, C.R.S., a court may order a parent of a child under eighteen years of age to attend a program designed to provide education concerning the impact of separation and divorce on children in cases in which the parent of a minor child is a named party in a dissolution of marriage or legal separation proceeding.

The Ninth Judicial District has established a program to identify qualifying parenting education classes to serve this purpose.

All parties who are seeking an allocation of parental responsibility or parenting time must attend and complete a qualifying parenting education class. Failure to comply with this Court Order may be considered by the court in determining the allocation of parental responsibilities and parenting time, may result in a citation for contempt of court, and may result in a delay of final orders in the case.

At the initial status conference, the family court facilitator or presiding judicial officer will provide information about qualifying parenting education classes and will direct all parties required by this order to complete the parenting education class to do so within 60 days of the status conference.

The cost of the parenting education class will be paid by each party. A waiver of court filing fees and costs is available to litigants who qualify under the indigency guidelines as defined by law.

No other classes may be substituted for a qualifying parenting education class except by order

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of the Court. The Court will grant reasonable requests made at the initial status conference where parties wish to take an alternative class, such as one offered in their native language or offered at a location close to their residence (i.e., residing outside of the county or residing outside of the State of Colorado).

The Court may waive the parenting class requirement upon motion of a party for good cause shown.

Done on February 24, 2009.

BY THE COURT

Chief Judge

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