

**STANDING ORDER CONCERNING DRUG EXPOSED CHILDREN ENTERING
TEMPORARY MANAGING CONSERVATORSHIP OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY
AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES IN THE 279TH AND 317TH DISTRICT COURTS**

On the 5th day of November, 2021, the Jefferson County Family Courts, specifically the 279th and 317th District Courts, having considered the needs and best interests of children who are removed and placed in the temporary managing conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services due to issues involving the parent's or other caregiver's or member of the household's drug use, to hereby ORDER the following:

IT IS ORDERED that as soon as possible after the removal of a child from a situation in which the child is considered to be drug exposed, the child shall be drug tested by hair follicle at a drug testing provider contracting with the Department or if the child is under the care of a physician, any other method deemed necessary and appropriate by a treating physician.

The Courts find these orders to be in the best interest of the children.

SIGNED this 16th day of November, 2021.



Judge Randy Shelton



Judge Larry Thorne