

1 **Rule 7-302. ~~Social studies~~Court Reports Prepared for Delinquency Cases.**

2 **Intent:**

3 To develop minimum standards for ~~social studies court reports to~~ for the Juvenile Court.

4 **Applicability:**

5 This rule shall apply to all ~~social studies court reports~~ prepared for ~~delinquent delinquency~~ cases
6 in the Juvenile Courts.

7 **Statement of the Rule:**

- 8 (1) The probation department or other agency designated by the court shall prepare a ~~social~~
9 ~~study court report~~ in writing in all cases in which a petition has been filed, ~~except:~~
10 ~~(1)(A) — traffic, fish and game, boating and parks and recreation cases; and~~
11 ~~(1)(B)(1)(A) other minor cases, where the Board by rule has waived preparation of the~~
12 ~~social study.~~
- 13 (2) The court can direct the probation department to prepare a ~~social study court report~~ on
14 any matter referred to the court.
- 15 (3) The contents of the ~~social study court report~~ shall include the following:
16 ~~(3)(A)~~ A summary of:
17 ~~(3)(A)(i)~~ the circumstances surrounding the matter before the court;
18 ~~(3)(A)(ii)~~ the minor's prior referral history, including prior actions taken by the
19 probation department;
20 ~~(3)(A)(iii)~~ A record of any contacts and history the family has had with other
21 agencies.;
22 ~~(3)(A)(iv)~~ the Victim Impact Statement and an itemized listing of losses or
23 damages suffered by the victim with respect to the matter before the
24 court;
25 ~~(3)(A)(v)~~ responses to the minor's compliant and non-compliant behavior;
26 ~~(3)(A)(vi)~~ A statement of the minor's academic performance and behavior in
27 school and a statement of the minor's employment history if
28 applicable;
29 ~~(3)(A)(vii)~~ A statement of any physical or emotional problems the minor may
30 have that could affect behavior;
31 ~~(3)(A)(viii)~~ the minor's substance use history; and

- 32 ~~(3)(A)(i)(3)(A)(ix) A list of the strengths and weaknesses of the minor as~~
33 ~~perceived by the minor and the parents or guardian(s).~~
- 34 ~~(3)(B) A statement of the circumstances surrounding the matter before the court.~~
- 35 ~~(3)(C) An itemized listing of loss or damage suffered by the victim with respect to the~~
36 ~~matter before the court.~~
- 37 ~~(3)(D)(3)(B) An assessment of:~~
- 38 ~~(3)(B)(i) the minor's attitude towards the court and the minor's attitude and~~
39 ~~values in general;~~
- 40 ~~(3)(B)(ii) A statement of the parents' attitude and what corrective action, if any,~~
41 ~~they took with respect to the minor's conduct and actions that which~~
42 ~~brought the minor before the court; and~~
- 43 ~~(3)(B)(iii) A list of the strengths and weaknesses of the parents as they perceive~~
44 ~~them or guardian(s).~~
- 45 ~~(3)(E)(3)(C) The minor's risk level as indicated by a validated risk and needs~~
46 ~~assessment, as well as a list of risk and protective factors.~~
- 47 ~~(3)(F)(3)(D) Recommendations specific to the minor's risk level that consider~~
48 ~~restorative justice principles and evidence-based best practices.~~
- 49 ~~(3)(G)(3)(E) Sentencing guideline results, including aggravating and mitigating~~
50 ~~factors. A statement of the minor's academic performance and behavior in school~~
51 ~~and a statement of the minor's employment history if applicable.~~
- 52 ~~(3)(H)(3)(F) Any other relevant information. A record of any contacts the family has~~
53 ~~had with other agencies.~~
- 54 ~~(3)(I) A list of strengths and weaknesses of the minor as perceived by the minor and~~
55 ~~the parents. A list of strengths and weaknesses of the parents as they perceive~~
56 ~~them.~~
- 57 ~~(3)(J) A statement of any physical or emotional problems the minor may have that~~
58 ~~could affect behavior.~~
- 59 ~~(3)(K) A dispositional recommendation based upon the information gathered.~~
- 60 (4) All information contained in the social study court report should be verified whenever
61 possible. Individuals providing information for the report should be identified and any
62 opinions or unverified information should be identified as such.
- 63 (5) No social information shall be gathered on a minor if the minor denies the allegations
64 during the preliminary inquiry unless the minor and parent/guardian or custodian give their
65 written consent for the information to be gathered.

66 (6) No social information shall be provided to the court before the minor's case is adjudicated.

67 (7) Once the ~~social study court report~~ is prepared, it shall be electronically filed in the minor's
68 file placed in the minor's social file where it shall remain.

69 ~~(8) If a minor moves to another judicial district, the social file shall be forwarded to the new~~
70 ~~district of residence.~~

71 *Effective May/November 1, 20__*