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**COLLIN COUNTY DISTRICT COURTS
EMERGENCY STANDING ORDER REGARDING
VISITS IN CHILD PROTECTION CASES**

Governor Abbott has declared a state of disaster in all 254 counties in the State of Texas in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Collin County has also enacted various executive orders relating to the state of disaster.

This order is a standing order of the Collin County District Courts that applies in every suit affecting the parent-child relationship filed by the Department of Family and Protective Services in Collin County.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. All in-person visits by parents, siblings, attorneys ad litem, guardians ad litem, and the Department of Family and Protective Services are suspended and shall be replaced by remote visits.
2. Remote visits may occur by telephone or video conference.
3. Pursuant to the Best Practices for Family Visitation During the COVID-19 Pandemic published by the Texas Children's Commission on March 23, 2020, parties are encouraged to use any technology available and should consider whether it is in the child's best interest for virtual visits to increase in duration or frequency.
4. This order shall apply to children in relative, fictive kin, and foster care placements.

SIGNED on 3/24/2020.

/s/ Emily Miskel

By Hon. Emily Miskel
Local Administrative District Judge

On behalf of:

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