

**TIME LINE AND RELATED FORMS**  
**JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURTS - CHILD ABUSE, NEGLECT AND FOSTER CARE CASES**

| PROCESS        | STAGE 1<br>PREDISPOSITION TO DISPOSITION  |  |  |  | STAGE 2<br>FOSTER CARE REVIEW  | STAGE 3<br>PERMANENCY PLANNING   |  |  | STAGE 4<br>POST PERMANENCY PLANNING  |  |
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|                | Hearing Type  | Ex Parte Hearing for Preliminary Child Protective Order<br><br>Emergency Removal                                       | Hearing for Preliminary Child Protective Order<br><br>Preliminary Removal  | Adjudication   | Disposition (Initial foster care plan reviewed.)   | Foster Care Review   | Initial Permanency Planning (Plan goal to be achieved.)  | Termination of Parental Rights (TPR) (If no TPR at initial permanency planning hearing.)   | Second Permanency Planning (If interim plan approved at initial permanency planning hearing.)  | Review of Foster Care (If legal custody remains with public or private agency after permanent goal is ordered.)              |
| <b>Statute</b> | § 16.1-253; § 16.1-251  | § 16.1-253; § 16.1-252   | § 16.1-253 F; § 16.1-252 G   | §§ 16.1-278.2; 16.1-281; 16.1-277.01; 16.1-277.02, 16.1-278.3  | § 16.1-282   | §§ 16.1-282.1; 16.1-281 B; 16.1-283  | § 16.1-283   | § 16.1-282.1   | §§ 16.1-282.1 A2; 16.1-282.2   | §§ 16.1-277.01 E; 16.1-277.02 D; 16.1-278.3 E; 16.1-283  |
| <b>Timing</b>  | Upon Filing of Petition (PPO-Abuse or Neglect) (ERO)<br><br>In Any Matter (PPO)   | Within 5 business days:<br><br>After the issuance of the ex parte PPO.<br><br>After the physical removal of the child. | Within 30 days of the preliminary hearing, if no adjudication of abuse or neglect at the time of the preliminary hearing.  | Within 75 days of PPO, PRO with abuse or neglect petition, or initial hearing on relief of custody; or to dispose of child at-risk; or Within 45 days (75 for Order of Publication) of filing of petition for approval of entrustment agreement. | Within 6 months of dispositional hearing on initial foster care plan.  | Within 5 months of foster care review or within 30 days of finding reasonable efforts to reunite are not required. (Petition for TPR may be filed after filing of plan documenting TPR is in the child's best interest.) | Upon filing of Petition (After filing of plan documenting TPR is in child's best interest.)  | Within 6 months of initial permanency planning hearing.  | Within 6 months of approving another planned permanent living arrangement (APPLA); or within 12 months of ordering: permanent foster care; independent living*; or permanent goal w/ TPR. (Adoption Progress Report reviewed, if plan is adoption.)<br><br>*Independent living eliminated as a permanency goal option for foster care plans approved for children entering foster care on or after 7/1/11.           | Filed every 6 months from date of final order terminating parental rights.   |
| FORMS          | In Any Matter   | Preliminary Child Protective Order-Abuse or Neglect (DC-527)<br><br>Preliminary Child Protective Order (DC-545)        | Preliminary Child Protective Order-Abuse or Neglect (DC-527)<br><br>Preliminary Child Protective Order (DC-545)  | Preliminary Child Protective Order-Abuse or Neglect (DC-527)   | Child Protective Order-Abuse or Neglect (DC-532)<br><br>Child Protective Order (DC-546)  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                | Petition (DC-511)<br><br>Abuse/Neglect<br><br>At-Risk of Abuse/Neglect<br><br>Approval of Entrustment Agreement<br><br>Relief of Custody<br><br>CHINS (Serv/Sup) Status/Delinquency<br><br>Affidavit (UCCJEA) (DC-620, 621) With dependency case filings. | Emergency Removal Order (ERO) (DC-526)   | Preliminary Removal Order (PRO) (DC-528)<br><br>Order for Custody Transfer to Agency (DC-562) Child enters foster care dispositionally, § 16.1-278.4, .5, .6, or .8. | Adjudicatory Order for Abuse or Neglect Cases (DC-561)   | Foster Care Plan Transmittal (all plans) (DC-552)<br><br>Dispositional Order for Underlying Petition, Foster Care Plan (DC-553)<br><br>Entrustment Agreement (DSS Form)<br><br>Order for Voluntary Termination of Residual Parental Rights (DC-534)<br><br>Supplement to Order Transferring Custody (DC-559) | Petition for Foster Care Review Hearing (DC-554)<br><br>Foster Care Review Order (DC-555)<br><br>Supplement to Order Transferring Custody (DC-559)   | Petition for Permanency Planning Hearing (DC-556)<br><br>Permanency Planning Order (DC-557)<br><br>Petition for Termination of Residual Parental Rights (DC-511)<br><br>Order for Involuntary Termination of Residual Parental Rights (DC-531)<br><br>Permanent Foster Care Placement Agreement (DSS)<br><br>Permanent Foster Care Placement Order (DC-558)<br><br>Supplement to Order Transferring Custody (DC-559) | Petition for Termination of Residual Parental Rights (DC-511)<br><br>Order for Involuntary Termination of Residual Parental Rights (DC-531)<br><br>Supplement to Order Transferring Custody (DC-559) | Petition for Permanency Planning Hearing (DC-556)<br><br>Permanency Planning Order (DC-557)<br><br>Petition for Termination of Residual Parental Rights (DC-511)<br><br>Order for Involuntary Termination of Residual Parental Rights (DC-531)<br><br>Permanent Foster Care Placement Agreement (DSS)<br><br>Permanent Foster Care Placement Order (DC-558)<br><br>Supplement to Order Transferring Custody (DC-559) | Petition for Foster Care Review (DC-554)<br><br>Foster Care Review Order (DC-555)<br><br>Adoption Progress Report (DSS Form) |
|                |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | <b>SELECTED FORMS FOR APPELLATE PROCESS</b><br><br>Notice of Appeal-Juvenile Civil Cases (DC-581)<br><br>Notice of Appeal from Trial Court (CC-1345)   |  |