

CONFERENCE OF STATE COURT ADMINISTRATORS

Resolution 4

In Support of the Adoption and Permanency Guidelines: Improving Court Practice in Child Abuse and Neglect Cases

WHEREAS, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges has developed and published Adoption and Permanency Guidelines: Improving Court Practice in Child Abuse and Neglect Cases; and

WHEREAS, juvenile and family court judges, as gatekeepers of our nation's foster care system, will benefit from a clear description of the essential elements of good practice for the court processes that lead to a permanent home for children who cannot be reunified with their families;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conference of Chief Justices and the Conference of State Court Administrators hereby encourage the use of the Adoption and Permanency Guidelines.

Adopted as proposed by the joint CCJ/COSCA Courts, Children and the Family Committee in Seattle, Washington at the 53rd Annual Meeting on August 2, 2001.