



Chambers of  
**JOANNE MOTOIKE**  
PRESIDING JUDGE OF JUVENILE COURT

# Superior Court of California County of Orange

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**Orange County Juvenile Court**  
Miscellaneous Order M-2021-3  
Re: The Public Law Center and SharePoint Access

This order and the authorization granted pursuant to it shall apply only to the Public Law Center ("PLC"). PLC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit law firm that provides pro bono legal services to low income residents in Orange County. PLC conducts a variety of legal clinics throughout Orange County, many of which are located at courthouses. Among its offered services, PLC assists prospective adoptive and de facto parents by providing necessary court forms and helping them to complete the forms so they can be filed in Juvenile Court.

The Orange County Superior Court, Juvenile Division, has created a dedicated SharePoint site that contains the most recent court report(s) filed by the Orange County Social Services Agency and Minute Orders issued by the Juvenile Court in connection with Welfare and Institutions Code § 366.26 hearings in cases pending before the Juvenile Court. This SharePoint site is a web-based document library system that allows authorized users to access and review documents necessary for them to perform and complete their professional duties and responsibilities.

**FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN THEREFOR, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

In order to support PLC's efforts to help prospective adoptive and de facto parents, PLC and the attorneys who work for and on behalf of PLC are granted access to the SharePoint site and the reports and Minute Orders it contains for the sole purpose of enabling PLC to assist prospective adoptive and de facto parents in completing required court forms for filing in Juvenile Court.

This authorization is contingent upon a need for information as it pertains to PLC's conduct of official activities only. Should PLC believe that additional juvenile case file documents are necessary in its efforts to aid adoptive and de facto parents, it shall seek a separate court order from the Juvenile Court pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code §827 and California Rules of Court, Rule 5.552. PLC and its attorneys shall not disclose, publish, or disseminate any of the documents accessed through the SharePoint site nor any information obtained through those documents without further order from the court.

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This authorization for electronic access is granted after having considered and balanced the necessity of protecting the health and safety of the public, judicial officers, courthouse staff, counsel, and other interested parties as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic by reducing the number of persons present in courtrooms and court hallways against the need to keep juvenile court case file information and documents confidential.

This order will expire May 21, 2022.

**SO ORDERED:**

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joanne Motoike', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is enclosed within a hand-drawn circle.

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Joanne Motoike  
Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court