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**FAMILY COURT JUDGE’S SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM
FAMILY COURT OF THE THIRD CIRCUIT**

TO: All Attorneys Practicing in the Third Circuit; Family and Circuit Courts; and All Persons Filing Divorce Actions in Third Circuit Who Have Minor Children Affected by the Divorce

FROM: Robert D. S. Kim, Chief Judge and Wendy M. DeWeese, Senior Family Court Judge

DATE: January 25, 2022

This Supplemental Memorandum corrects and clarifies the Family Court Judge’s Memorandum dated January 20, 2022. The Family Court did not intend to change its policy regarding completion of the KIDS FIRST program.

As such, no decree of divorce that includes custody and visitation orders shall be granted unless the parties have also filed the verification of online program completion form or the Court has approved a waiver request.

Options for completing KIDS FIRST mandatory online program are as follows:

1. Log onto <https://kidsfirsthawaii.com/contact/neighbor-islands/hawaii-island>
2. Scan this QR code with your smart device →
3. Visit our Hilo or Kona courthouse law library for our computer kiosk
4. Submit a request for waiver or extension to complete the online program



Notice to Attend Kids First Online Program, Verification of Online Program Completion and Request for Waiver or Extension of Time to Attend Kids First Online Program are

attached. These forms will be available online on our judiciary website <http://www.courts.state.hi.us> shortly.

To continue to make our courts accessible to all parties, any documents presented to the Family Court for filing will be accepted, regardless of form. However, to ensure compliance with the KIDS FIRST program, Family Court judges may refuse to grant a decree of divorce to the parties until a fully executed Verification of Online Program Completion form is filed with the Court, or the Court has approved a waiver request.