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Benton/Franklin Superior Court

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Local Juvenile Court Rule 7.16

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(A) Generally. All juveniles held in detention on probable cause shall have the right to have bail addressed in their first court appearance. If bail is granted, it may be posted by either cash or bond. The juvenile will be released from detention to an approved party only on the referral or cause number for which bail is posted. The court may impose additional conditions of release pursuant to RCW 13.40.040(4).

(B) Procedure. The following steps shall be followed:

1. The issue of bail shall be first addressed at the first appearance hearing.

2. If bail is authorized by the Court, it shall be posted with the respective County Clerk during normal business hours or with the Benton-Franklin Counties Detention Center when the respective County Clerk's Office is closed. Prior to release, the juvenile shall be advised of the next hearing date, any other conditions of release and that failure to appear may result in bail forfeiture and prosecution for bail jumping. When a bond is filed with the Clerk of the Court in Benton or Franklin County, the Clerk in the respective County shall issue a certified copy of the original bond to juvenile detention.

3. A juvenile detainee will not be released from detention unless detention staff has physical possession of the certified copy of the original bond from the Clerk of the Court, a verified receipt for posted bail from the Clerk of the Court or an original authorized bond or cash bail is posted with detention during hours that the County Clerk's Office is closed.

4. Pursuant to the provisions of RCW 13.40.056, when bail is posted, by bond or by cash, ten dollars of the amount posted as bail shall be collected in cash as a nonrefundable bail fee.

(C) Forms. Forms for this procedure shall be subject to review by the judges.

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