Local Juvenile Court Rule 8.3
DECLINING JUVENILE COURT JURISDICTION OVER AN ALLEGED JUVENILE OFFENDER

(A) Generally. In accordance with RCW 13.40.110 and Juvenile Court Rule 8.1, any party may file an appropriate motion and supporting affidavit to decline jurisdiction with the respective Clerk of the Court.

(B) Report. A declination investigation report shall be prepared by the juvenile court staff.

The report shall:

1. Address the following factors:

a. The seriousness of the alleged offense to the community and whether the protection of the community requires waiver of juvenile court jurisdiction;

b. Whether the alleged offense was committed in an aggressive, violent, premeditated or willful manner;

c. Whether the alleged offense was against persons or against property;

d. The prosecutive merit of the complaint;

e. The desirability of trial and disposition of the entire offense in one court;

f. The sophistication and maturity of the juvenile as determined by consideration of his home, environmental situation, emotional attitude and pattern of living;

g. The record and previous history of the juvenile, including previous contacts with law enforcement agencies, juvenile courts and other jurisdictions, prior periods of probation/community supervision, or prior commitments to juvenile institutions;

h. The prospects for adequate protection of the public and the likelihood of reasonable rehabilitation of the juvenile (if he is found to have committed the alleged offense) by the use of procedures, services and facilities currently available to the juvenile court.

2. Address any other factors relevant to the motion; and

3. Make a recommendation to the court as to the motion.

(C) Hearing. The writer of the declination investigation report will be present at the declination hearing to testify, if so requested.

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