



JCIP Model Dependency Forms Effective February 2023

This update includes: (1) a revision to the **JCIP Model Dependency Shelter Order (JF2) and Shelter Order—ICWA (JF2i)** and (2) a new form for optional use: **Findings as to Parent(s) And Order (Jurisdiction Not Yet Established)**.

Shelter Order (JF2) and Shelter Order—ICWA (JF2i)

JCIP's model Shelter Order forms have been changed to address the requirement that the court hold a jurisdictional hearing on a dependency petition within 60 days of filing. The updated forms include prompts and space to add the date by which the hearing should be held and for the court to include factual findings of good cause, if the court continues the petition beyond 60 days.

Findings as to Parent(s) And Order (Jurisdiction Not Yet Established)

Under certain circumstances, a judge may make jurisdictional *findings of fact* about different parents on different dates before ultimately entering a jurisdictional *judgment* based on those findings. (See *DHS v. WAC*, [263 Or App 382](#) (2014) and *DHS v. AF*, [268 Or App 340](#) (2014)). Currently there is no standard form for courts to use to memorialize the findings of fact made before a jurisdictional judgment can be entered. The lack of a statewide form for a judge to make those findings of fact for one parent while not yet taking jurisdiction in the case has led to some errors and confusion in court filings. A common scenario is when one parent admits to one or more allegations (or the court makes findings based on one parent's nonappearance after proper service or after DHS has been unable to find a parent after a diligent search), while the other parent has been served, appeared, and contests the allegations. This new form—Findings as to Parent(s) and Order (Jurisdiction Not Yet Established) may be used to memorialize the court's findings regarding one parent pending resolution of allegations regarding another parent and includes the option to enter certain orders that the court authority to enter pre-jurisdiction.

The JELI Dependency Forms Committee has approved the Findings as to Parent(s) and Order (Jurisdiction Not Yet Established) form to be made available for optional use.