

SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
COURT SERVICES BUREAU
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

| DATE | DISSEMINATION | CATEGORY | NUMBER |
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| January 16, 2019 | Juvenile Court | Court Holding | E.10 J |
| SUBJECT: Juvenile Inmate Access to Counsel- Title 15 Compliance | | | PAGE 1 of 1 |

Purpose:

To establish guidelines for juvenile inmate's access to counsel at Juvenile Court.

Policy:

All requests to counsel with or by a juvenile inmate will be referred to the juvenile court holding area deputy. The safety of all involved parties is paramount and must be evaluated prior to facilitating a professional visit.

Any non-sworn staff requesting to meet with a juvenile inmate must first sign the PREA log located at the juvenile court holding area.

Procedure:

Juvenile inmates and court partners/attorneys have the following venues available for professional visits, in their order of recommended use:

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

The safety of ALL parties, including but not limited to the juvenile inmate, counsel, court staff, probation, deputy, etc must be evaluated prior to using any areas listed above. The deputy receiving the meeting request should evaluate the inmate's recent behavior, severity of charges, any escape attempts, verbal threats, etc prior to deciding on an appropriate venue. Deputies may consult the requestor as well for input.

Absent specific circumstances articulated by the requestor for the use of a specific venue, the venue highest on the list above shall be used first when available. In general, the venues listed above range from highest safety/security (1) to lower safety/security (6).

If (in the deputy's opinion and based on specific indicators) the requested venue/inmate combination is unsafe, the deputy shall offer a venue the deputy feels is appropriate. If the requestor disagrees, the deputy shall advise the requestor there will be a delay and the deputy shall immediately contact the court sergeant.