

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

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Purpose:

To establish guidelines for the San Diego Central Courthouse (SDCC) use of the Attorney Visit Areas for juvenile inmates.

Policy:

Attorneys will not be allowed to visit inmates in [REDACTED] Holding. Attorney visitation will be held in the attorney visit areas adjacent to the courtrooms. Deputies will balance the needs of the court and proper legal defense with the legal mandate that juvenile inmates be kept separate from adult inmates. Staff will also adhere to the requirement that the attorney visit area remain safe for staff, attorneys and other visitors and inmates alike.

Procedure:

- I. Attorneys requesting entry to the attorney visiting area shall have identification (Driver License and California Bar Card) on their persons and available for inspection.
- II. Juvenile inmates will be held in [REDACTED] Holding until needed. Attorneys will contact the courtroom bailiff to speak with a juvenile inmate in the attorney visit area. The bailiff will contact the adjacent holding tank deputies to have the inmate moved into the attorney visit area.
 - a. Because of the possibility to pass contraband between attorneys and juvenile inmates in the attorney visit area, deputies will closely monitor the juvenile inmate, while still maintaining attorney/client confidentiality. Holding tank deputies will ensure that juvenile inmates are kept separate from all adult inmates are not in the same attorney visit room. Juveniles are kept "out of sight and sound" of adult inmates;
 - b. When the juvenile inmate has completed his/her attorney visit, a pat down search will be conducted;
 - c. Only the authorized persons listed in CSB Policy and Procedure section E.13 will be allowed to accompany attorneys into the attorney visit area;
 - d. Court bailiffs will have the primary authority to exclude those persons who may adversely affect the safety and security of the attorney visit area.

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- III. If attorney visits with juvenile inmates cannot be accomplished due to a lack of security personnel or concerns about contact between adult and juvenile inmates, the court holding deputies have the option of denying such visits.

- IV. Disputes regarding entry into the attorney visit area shall be reported to a supervisor as soon as practicable.