

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT – JUVENILE DIVISION

COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

In re: Disclosure of Kinship or Relative Search
Information and Reports

**SECOND AMENDED STANDING
ORDER REGARDING KINSHIP
OR RELATIVE SEARCH
INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 260C.212, subdivision 5, the Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department (“Department”) is required to identify relatives of a child who is in need of placement in foster care, and the Department prepares a Relative Search Report, commonly known as a Kinship Report, of all identified relatives and kin; and

WHEREAS, the names and other information on such relatives is private data on individuals, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 13.46, subdivision 2(a); and

WHEREAS, this Court has the authority to issue a protective order pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 260.171, subdivisions 3 and 5, to protect private data from further disclosure; and

WHEREAS, the Court recognizes that information in the Kinship Report may be pertinent to attorneys representing a party in the child protection proceeding, to Guardians *ad litem*, and to authorized representatives from an Indian child’s tribe;

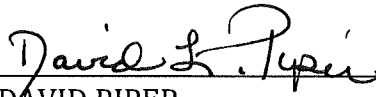
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

1. Within three months and six months of out-of-home placement, and within 30 days of the filing of a permanency petition following CHIPS adjudication, and upon appointment of counsel post-permanency, and at other times upon request or court order, kinship or relative search information and reports contained in Department files shall be disclosed to attorneys representing a party, adjudicated parent, or subject child in the child protection proceeding, to the Guardian *ad litem*, to authorized representatives for an Indian child’s tribe, and to the Court.
2. Access to kinship or relative search information and reports is limited to the persons named herein. Access is denied to all other persons, including parents, children, or relatives of children, who are not represented by an attorney, unless otherwise ordered by this Court.

3. Any attorney, Guardian *ad litem*, or tribal representative who receives access to kinship or relative search information and reports is prohibited from releasing or disclosing the information or report to a client or any other person, without further order of this Court.
4. The County Attorney's Office shall make a copy of this order available to any party receiving a copy of a kinship report.

BY THE COURT:

Dated: June 28, 2019



DAVID PIPER
Presiding Judge of Juvenile Court