

Local Berks County Rule of Civil Procedure 1915.11-1

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Rule 1915.11-1 Parenting Coordination

The 23rd Judicial District is implementing a parenting coordination program pursuant to Pa. R.C.P. 1915.11-1. A roster of qualified individuals to serve as parenting coordinators and their hourly rates shall be posted on the court's website at **www.co.berks.pa.us**.

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(b)(2)(ii) An attorney or mental health professional seeking to be included on the Berks County roster of qualified individuals to serve as a parenting coordinator shall submit a signed affidavit to Court Administration as designee of the Administrative Family Court Judge attesting that he or she meets the qualifications outlined in the state rule.

(b)(2)(iii) Every two years after submission of the initial affidavit, a parenting coordinator shall submit a new affidavit to Court Administration attesting that he or she continues to meet the qualifications for a parenting coordinator.

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(g) Fees.

(1) Following the appointment of a parenting coordinator, the parties shall pay the parenting coordinator his or her hourly rate as set forth on the roster of qualified individuals to serve as parenting coordinators at **www.co.berks.pa.us** pursuant to the allocation contained in the appointment order. The parenting coordinator may reallocate the fees, subject to the approval of the court, if one party has caused a disproportionate need for the services of the parenting coordinator.

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(3)(a) Low-income parties whose income is determined to be 199% of the federal poverty level or lower for the current year shall be eligible for the Modest Means Program and shall pay their allocated portion to the parenting coordinator at a reduced hourly rate as set by the Court. (b) A party who qualifies for In Forma Pauperis status shall not pay any fee for their allocated portion. A parenting coordinator who seeks appointment in Berks County as a parenting coordinator agrees to serve on a pro bono basis for up to the maximum number of hours per year as established by the Berks County Bar Association and approved by the Court.

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