SAGINAW COUNTY FRIEND OF THE COURT INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATIVE MEETING

<u>Use this Request if:</u> you already have a current Judgment/Order in your case, a motion was filed, AND the case is being referred to the Friend of the Court for an Investigation.

Do NOT use this REQUEST form if a motion HAS NOT been filed. A motion must have been filed and an investigation is ordered by the court in order for this form to be used.

By filing this request, you are requesting a MEETING with the attorney who is conducting the investigation once the Court refers the case to the Friend of the Court.

FILING YOUR REQUEST

- 1) If an investigation has been scheduled/referred to the Friend of the Court and you want the staff attorney to meet with the parties, fill out the Request for Investigative Meeting form.
- 2) Bring or mail your request to the Circuit Court Clerk's Office located in the basement of the Courthouse at 111 S. Michigan Ave. Saginaw, MI 48602.
- 3) Make sure to fill out the Certificate of Mailing at the bottom of the request form.

SERVING YOUR REQUEST

- 1) After filing the Request form, you MUST serve the Request to the Saginaw County Friend of the Court AND the other party (and attorney if represented) as soon as possible.
- 2) This is done by mailing the Request by first class mail to the other party/attorney. If you do not have the other party's address, you can obtain it from the Circuit Court Clerk's office.
- 3) You may serve the Friend of the Court by dropping it off in person, email, or by mail.

PREPARING FOR YOUR MEETING

- 1) You must attend the meeting. If you do not appear, the investigation will proceed without your presence.
- 2) The investigation will be based upon the information presented to the staff attorney conducting the investigation

REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION MEETING

Plaintiff

v

Defendant

I, ______ (name) request to have a meeting with the staff attorney regarding the investigation that was referred to the Friend of the Court in this matter.

I declare that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge.

Dated: _____

Signature of requesting person

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify on this date I mailed a copy of this request on the Saginaw County Friend of the Court and the other party (and Attorney if represented) by ordinary mail at the above address.

Date

Petitioner's signature