Court of Appeals, State of Michigan

ORDER

IN RE THOMPSON MINORS

Docket No. 381579

LC No. 23-000183-NA

Andrew J. Lievense
Presiding Judge

Philip P. Mariani

Mariam S. Bazzi
Judges

This cause is REMANDED to the trial court for a redetermination whether to appoint appellate counsel for the respondent-appellant. Matters pertaining to the appointment of an attorney are decided in the trial court. MCR 7.208(H). "If it appears to the court in a proceeding under section 2(b) or (c) of this chapter that the respondent wants an attorney and is financially unable to retain an attorney, the court shall appoint an attorney to represent the respondent." MCL 712A.17c(5).

The trial court shall determine whether to appoint counsel for respondent-appellant within 14 days of the Clerk's certification of this order. The trial court shall send a copy of the order deciding this issue and naming appointed counsel, if any, to the Clerk of this Court within 7 days of the decision.

This Court retains jurisdiction.

The motion to waive fees is GRANTED to the extent that no fees are due while this case is on remand to the trial court.

Presiding Judge

A true copy entered and certified by Jerome W. Zimmer Jr., Chief Clerk, on

August 7, 2026
Date

Chief Clerk