

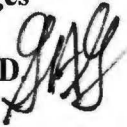
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**TO:** Assignment Judges  
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**FROM:** Glenn A. Grant, J.A.D. 

**SUBJECT:** Family - Juvenile - Admission of Juveniles into County Detention and Shelter Care Facilities

**DATE:** June 23, 2017

**DIRECTIVE #06-17**  
**[Supersedes Directive #05-80 and #02-81]**  
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The Supreme Court Committee on Juvenile and Domestic Relations Courts in its 1980-1981 Annual Report stated:

At present intake often authorizes the admission of a juvenile to detention or shelter care based on information police provide as to the offense allegedly committed by the juvenile. On occasion the complaint which is eventually filed charges an offense which would not have merited detention or shelter care.

In its Report, the Committee recommended that the Supreme Court issue a Directive that intake not authorize the admission of a juvenile into a detention or shelter care facility unless either a complaint has been filed against the juvenile, or the facility is in receipt of a copy of the complaint which will be filed with the court.

Juveniles awaiting placement by the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P) may not be housed in a detention facility.

The Supreme Court had reviewed the Committee's recommendation and had adopted it in its entirety.

**EDITOR'S NOTE**

\*2017 Update - The reference to the Division of Youth and Family Services was changed to reflect the reorganization of the Department of Children and Families effective July 2, 2012. The Division of Youth and Family Services is now the Division of Child Protection and Permanency.

09/30/1981 – Directive #02-81 – Originally issued by Robert D. Lipscher, Administrative Director. Directive #02-81 and #05-80 were combined by adding the only retained paragraph of #05-80 to #02-81. Directive #02-81 has not been changed. Only one paragraph of #05-80 remains valid. The remaining provisions dealing with detention and shelter care of juveniles have all been superseded by the Code of Juvenile Justice, N.J.S.A. 2A:4A-20 to 48.

11/14/1980 – Directive #05-80 - Originally issued by Robert D. Lipscher, Administrative Director.

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