

Rule 17.1. Pretrial Conference

At any time after the filing of the petition the Family Court upon motion of any party or upon its own motion may order one or more conferences to consider such matters as will promote a fair and expeditious processing of the case or will result in consolidation consistent with the one family, one judge provision or disposition of cases before the Family Court relating to members of the same family or household. At the conclusion of a conference the Family Court shall prepare and file a memorandum of the matters agreed upon. No admissions made by the respondent or his or her attorney at the conference shall be used against the respondent unless the admissions are reduced to writing and signed by the respondent and his or her attorney. This Rule shall not be invoked in the case of a respondent who is not represented by counsel.

COMMENT

This Rule is substantially similar to *FRCrP 17.1*, except that the last part of the first sentence was added to implement the one family, one judge provision of the District of Columbia Family Court Act of 2001, Public Law 107-114 (January 8, 2002). See Comment to SCR-Juvenile 2.