

[(g)] (I) "Court" means the circuit court of a county or Baltimore City sitting as the juvenile court. In Montgomery County, it means the district court sitting as the juvenile court.

[(h)] (J) "Custodian" means a person or agency to whom legal custody of [[achild]] a child has been given by order of the court, other than the child's parent or legal guardian.

[(i)] (K) "Delinquent act" means an act which would be a crime if committed by an adult.

[(j)] (L) "Delinquent child" is a child who has committed a delinquent act and requires guidance, treatment, or rehabilitation.

[(k)] (M) "Detention" means the temporary care of children who, pending court disposition, require secure custody for the protection of themselves or the community, in physically restricting facilities.

(N) "DISPOSITION HEARING" MEANS A HEARING TO DETERMINE:

(1) WHETHER A CHILD NEEDS OR REQUIRES THE COURT'S ASSISTANCE, GUIDANCE, TREATMENT OR REHABILITATION; AND IF SO

(2) THE NATURE OF THE ASSISTANCE, GUIDANCE, TREATMENT OR REHABILITATION.

[(l)] (O) "Intake officer" means the person assigned to the court by the Juvenile Services Administration to provide the intake services set forth in this subtitle.

[(m)] (P) "Mentally handicapped child" means a child who is or may be mentally retarded or mentally ill.

[(n)] (Q) "Party" includes a child [over whom the court has assumed jurisdiction], WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF A PETITION the child's parent, guardian, or custodian, the petitioner and an adult who is charged under § 3-831 of this subtitle.

[(R)] "PROBATION" MEANS A STATUS CREATED BY A COURT ORDER UNDER WHICH A CHILD ADJUDICATED TO BE DELINQUENT OR AN ADULT CONVICTED UNDER SECTION 3-831, IS TO REMAIN SUBJECT TO SUPERVISION OF THE COURT OR AN AGENCY DESIGNATED BY THE COURT UNDER CONDITIONS THE COURT OR THE AGENCY DEEMS PROPER, BUT IS NOT COMMITTED TO A TRAINING SCHOOL OR OTHER PLACE OF CONFINEMENT.

[(o)] (S) "Shelter care" means the temporary care of children in physically unrestricting facilities, pending court disposition. ] PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN REQUIRING CARE IN PHYSICALLY NON RESTRICTIVE FACILITIES.