

(As enacted by Section 5 of Chapter 29 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2001)

BY adding to

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3-819(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 3-819(e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), and (k), respectively, of Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 3-819(f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l), respectively.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

3-801.

(c) “[Adjudication] ADJUDICATORY hearing” means a hearing under this subtitle to determine whether the allegations in the petition, other than the allegation that the child requires the court’s intervention, are true.

[3-801.1.

If guardianship of a child is awarded under this subtitle, the guardian shall notify the parents of the child as soon as practicable of any emergency decision made by the guardian with respect to the child under § 3-801(o) of this subtitle.]

3-807.

(a) (4) (i) In Prince George’s County, the judges of the circuit court may not appoint or continue the appointment of masters for juvenile causes, except for the purpose of conducting:

1. Probable cause hearings, detention hearings, arraignments, acceptances of admissions, and restitution hearings in delinquency cases under Subtitle 8A of this title; and

2. Shelter care, [adjudication] ADJUDICATORY, and disposition hearings in CINA cases under this subtitle.

3-815.

(c) (2) (i) The court shall hold a shelter care hearing on the petition before disposition to determine whether the temporary placement of the child outside of the home is warranted.

(ii) Unless extended on good cause shown, a shelter care hearing shall be held not later than the next day on which the circuit court [sits] IS IN SESSION.