

OJD Remote Child Support Court

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Welcome New Counties

July 2025 we welcomed **Washington County** to the Remote Child Support Court. We look forward to working with you.

History of RCSC

On Jan. 1, 2023, House Bill 4121 was enacted, authorizing the presiding judge of a judicial district to appoint a child support hearing referee to hear child support or parentage cases receiving support under Title IV-D of the Social Security Act, including contempt of court for non-payment. HB 4121 was designed to enhance the scope of child support services for Oregon's children and families by establishing a dedicated hearing referee well-versed in child support matters, while also helping relieve busy court dockets.

HB 4121, now codified as ORS 3.443, led to the creation of the Remote Child Support Court (RCSC), housed in Jackson County. The RCSC is the first Oregon Judicial Department statewide program and operates as an integrated, multi-county service. It enables all parties to attend their hearings remotely via Webex, rather than appearing in person. In addition, the program offers resources and staff to support litigants in overcoming barriers to meeting their family obligations.

The RCSC officially launched in April 2023, with Douglas, Jackson, Jefferson, and Josephine counties as the pilot courts. Yamhill County joined a few months later. The program has continued to expand, with Deschutes, Malheur, and Tillamook counties joining in 2024. In 2025, Crook, Columbia, and Washington counties have been added.

With a strong two-year operational foundation and an experienced team in place, the RCSC program is well-positioned to serve all counties in Oregon into the future.



SPOTLIGHT

OUR RCSC Team:

Our Hearing Referees:

Angie LaNier who covers Yamhill, Malheur, Tillamook, Crook and Jefferson counties; Pam Hinchliffe, who covers Jackson, Josephine, Douglas, Deschutes and Washington counties.

Supervisor is Debbie Scales.

Parental Accountability and Engagement Program (PAE) Program Coordinator: Angela Grant.

Program Assistant (Compliance Assistance): Taylor Maddox.

Statewide Remote Child Support Facilitator: Michele White. Michele is available for all counties in Oregon, not just those participating in RCSC.

Analyst: Christine "Chris" Hill.

Courtroom Clerk: Kathrine "Kathy" Tiller,

Parental Accountability and Engagement (PAE) Program

A deferred sentencing option offered to those who are in contempt with an open child support case.

- 971-719-1809
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All Counties

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