1 JUVENILE COURT

RULE 51. DISPOSITION

Rule 51.01. Disposition

After an adjudication that a child is in need of protection or services pursuant to Rule 50.01, the court shall conduct a hearing to determine disposition and order disposition accordingly as provided in Minnesota Statutes, sections 260C.193 and 260C.201, and any other applicable statutes.

Rule 51.02. Timing

To the extent practicable, the court shall conduct a disposition hearing and enter a disposition order the same day it makes a finding that the statutory grounds set forth in the petition have been proved. In the event disposition is not ordered at the same time as the adjudication, the disposition order shall be issued within 10 days of the date the court finds that the statutory grounds set forth in the petition have been proved.

Rule 51.03. Hearings to Review Disposition

When the disposition is an award of legal custody to the responsible social services agency, the court shall review the disposition in court at least every 90 days. Any party or the county attorney may request a review hearing before 90 days. When the disposition is protective supervision, the court shall review the disposition in court at least every six months from the date of disposition.

2019 Advisory Committee Comment

Rule 51 is amended in 2019 as part of a revision of the Rules of Juvenile Protection Procedure. Rule 51 was formerly codified as Rule 41. The committee recommended reducing the rule to the provisions that address the timing of disposition hearings. The committee believes the rest of former Rule 41 was unnecessary, because it restated provisions of the Juvenile Court Act.