

**SHEBOYGAN COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 15 (2019/20)**

Re: **Designating Office of the Corporation Counsel to Represent the Interests of the Public Concerning TPR, CHIPS, and Guardianship Proceedings**

**WHEREAS**, Sheboygan County currently funds 1.5 positions in the District Attorney's (DA) office specifically intending to cover TPR (Termination of Parental Rights), CHIPS (Children In need of Protective Services), and guardianship proceedings, and

**WHEREAS**, due to a serious prosecutorial staffing shortage in Sheboygan County, the DA's office has been unable to allocate sufficient resources necessary to handle these matters, and

**WHEREAS**, the DA's office, the Health and Human Services Department, and the Office of the Corporation Counsel recommend the reassignment of TPR, CHIPS, and guardianship proceedings to the Office of the Corporation Counsel, and

**WHEREAS**, the County seeks to designate the Office of the Corporation Counsel to represent the interests of the public in matters related to TPR, CHIPS, and guardianship proceedings pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 48.09(5).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Sheboygan County Board of Supervisors hereby designates the Office of the Corporation Counsel to represent the interests of the public in all TPR, CHIPS, and guardianship proceeding pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 48.09(5); this transfer of authority shall be effective September 1, 2021.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Clerk is directed to send notification of said designation to the Wisconsin Department of Administration prior to January 1, 2021.

Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of October, 2019.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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