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**PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT RELEASES NEW FORMS AND INFORMATIONAL
MATERIAL FOR AMENDED RULE 412
OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL RULES OF THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT**

The Probate and Family Court today announces the release of new forms and informational material as a result of recent changes to Rule 412 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate and Family Court.

Effective August 1, 2013, Rule 412 will allow parties to jointly request modification of a judgment or temporary order of the Probate and Family Court where the parties are in agreement, the agreement is in writing, and all other requirements of the Rule are met. The changes to the Rule will allow the Probate and Family Court to handle more cases administratively. The changes to Rule 412 and can be found at: <http://www.mass.gov/courts/court-info/trial-court/pfc/>

The new forms include a Joint Petition/Motion (CJD 124), an Agreement (CJD 311) and a Judgment/Temporary Order (CJD 446). The new Joint Petition/Motion (CJD 124) replaces the Joint Petition for Modification of Child Support Judgment (CJD 114). The informational material includes a Checklist of Required Forms (CJD 901) and a General Information (CJD 903) sheet that includes filing fee information. The new forms will be accepted for filing on or after August 1, 2013. The new forms and informational material are located at: <http://www.mass.gov/courts/forms/pfc/pfc-forms-gen.html>