

INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES

Serving Juveniles While Protecting Communities



About the Interstate Commission for Juveniles

The Interstate Commission for Juveniles is the governing body of the Interstate Compact for Juveniles. Commission members include representatives from all 50 states, Washington, DC, and the US Virgin Islands, who work together to preserve child welfare and promote public safety. The Commission is responsible for promulgating and enforcing rules to implement the Interstate Compact for Juveniles.

About the Interstate Compact for Juveniles

The Interstate Compact for Juveniles is a contract between the states that regulates the interstate movement of juveniles who are under court supervision or who have run away from home and left their state of residence. States ratifying the compact are bound by federal law to observe the terms of the agreement.

Compact provisions take precedence over conflicting state laws. The Compact provides for states' supervision and return of juveniles who:

- have run away from home and left their state of residence;
- are on probation, parole, or other supervision, or have escaped to another state; and
- have been accused of an offense in another state.

About ICJ State and Territorial Offices

In each compacting state and territory, a Compact Administrator is responsible for the administration and management of the state's supervision and transfer of juveniles subject to the terms of Compact and the rules adopted by the Interstate Commission. Compact Administrators (along with their deputies and designees) work with other state and local officials on a wide variety of issues related to the:

- return of runaways; probation/parole absconders; escapees; accused delinquents/status offenders;
- transfer of supervision;
- quarterly progress and violation reports;
- travel permits;
- surveillance requests; and
- operation of State Councils.

About the ICJ National Office

Located in Lexington, Kentucky, the ICJ National Office is responsible for the operation of the Interstate Commission and works closely with Commissioners and allies throughout the United States. The National Office provides a wide range of resources, many of which are available online, including:

- training and technical assistance;
- Bench Book for Judges;
- quick reference guides; and a
- national data system.

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