The Interstate Commission for Juveniles is the governing body of the Interstate Compact for Juveniles (ICJ). Commission members include representatives from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, 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 ICJ.

Visit www.JuvenileCompact.org to access additional resources such as:
- ICJ Rules & Forms
- On Demand Trainings
- Bench Book & Bench Cards
- Quick Reference Guide for ICJ Cases

Interstate Compact for Juveniles
"Serving juveniles while protecting communities"
Interstate Compact for Juveniles

The Interstate Compact for Juveniles (ICJ) is the law that regulates the interstate movement of juveniles who are under court supervision or have run away to another state. The ICJ is a contract that has been adopted as law throughout the United States. Therefore, all state and local officials are legally bound to honor and enforce the terms of the Compact.

The Compact provides requirements for supervision and return of juveniles who:

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

ICJ State 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 Compact. 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;
- airport surveillance requests; and
- operation of State Councils on Interstate Supervision of Juveniles.

ICJ National Office

Located in Lexington, Kentucky, the ICJ National Office serves as the secretariat for the Commission and facilitates collaborations to support the Interstate Compact for Juveniles. Key Functions include:

- meeting and program logistics support;
- training and technical assistance;
- strategic leadership and planning;
- leading technology solutions; and
- interpretation of ICJ Rules.