

The words "the person's" and "the person" are substituted, as appropriate, for the former words "his" and "he" in light of Article 40, § 53C of the Code, which calls for "the use of words that are neutral as to gender".

No other changes are made.

Defined terms: "Custody proceeding" § 9-201  
"Physical custody" § 9-201

#### 9-211. APPEARANCES BEFORE COURT.

##### (A) ORDER TO APPEAR.

THE COURT MAY ORDER ANY PARTY TO THE PROCEEDING WHO IS IN THIS STATE TO APPEAR PERSONALLY BEFORE THE COURT. IF THAT PARTY HAS PHYSICAL CUSTODY OF THE CHILD, THE COURT MAY ORDER THAT PARTY TO APPEAR PERSONALLY WITH THE CHILD.

##### (B) FAILURE TO APPEAR.

IF A PARTY TO THE PROCEEDING WHOSE PRESENCE IS DESIRED BY THE COURT IS OUTSIDE THIS STATE, WITH OR WITHOUT THE CHILD, THE COURT MAY ORDER THAT THE NOTICE INCLUDE A STATEMENT DIRECTING THAT PARTY TO APPEAR PERSONALLY WITH OR WITHOUT THE CHILD AND DECLARING THAT FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A DECISION ADVERSE TO THAT PARTY.

##### (C) TRAVEL AND OTHER EXPENSES.

IF A PARTY TO THE PROCEEDING WHO IS OUTSIDE THIS STATE IS DIRECTED TO APPEAR UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION OR DESIRES TO APPEAR PERSONALLY BEFORE THE COURT WITH OR WITHOUT THE CHILD, THE COURT MAY REQUIRE ANOTHER PARTY TO PAY TO THE CLERK OF THE COURT TRAVEL AND OTHER NECESSARY EXPENSES OF THE PARTY SO APPEARING AND OF THE CHILD IF THIS IS JUST AND PROPER UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly appeared as Article 16, § 193.

In subsection (a) of this section, the words "the party" are substituted for the former word "he" in light of Article 40, § 53C of the Code, which calls for "the use of words that are neutral as to gender".

The only other changes are in style.

Defined term: "Physical custody" § 9-201

#### 9-212. CUSTODY DECREE BINDING AND CONCLUSIVE.