

**SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DOMESTIC RELATIONS PROCEDURAL RULES COMMITTEE  
RECOMMENDATION 145**

**Rule 1915.4-3. Non-Record Proceedings. Trials.**

(a) *Non-Record Proceedings.* In **[those jurisdictions that utilize] judicial districts utilizing** an initial non-record proceeding, such as a conciliation conference or office conference, if no agreement is reached at the conclusion of the proceeding, the conference officer or conciliator shall promptly notify the court that the matter should be listed for trial. **[Any]A** lawyer employed by, or under contract with, a judicial district or appointed by the court to serve as a **conference officer or** conciliator **[or mediator]** or to preside over a non-record proceeding shall not practice family law before a conference officer, hearing officer, permanent or standing master, or judge of the same judicial district.

(b) *Trial.* The trial before the court shall be de novo. The court shall hear the case and render a decision within the time periods set forth in **[Rule]Pa.R.C.P. No.** 1915.4.