

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

GARRETT TINSMAN,	:
Respondent	: No. 96-20,902
	:
vs.	:
	:
PATRICIA (TINSMAN) COLEMAN,	:
Petitioner	:

ORDER

AND NOW, this ____ day of September, 1999, over the respondent's objection, the Court GRANTS the petitioner's request to testify by telephone at the contempt hearing scheduled for September 3, 1999 at 3:00 p.m. Rule 1930.3 of the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure expressly authorizes the Court, upon good cause shown, to take testimony by telephone in domestic relations matters. Here, the petitioner resides in North Carolina and it would be financially burdensome for her to appear for the hearing. See attached letter. These are the type of circumstances for which Rule 1930.3 was designed. The respondent's objection based solely on the premise that since it is the petitioner's motion she should be physically present seems patently unreasonable.

By The Court,

Kenneth D. Brown

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