

**7.1 When Discovery is Permitted.** Discovery may be allowed in all cases where deprivation is alleged, or where the termination of parental rights is requested or in cases where matters of custody have been referred to the juvenile court by a superior court. Any discovery so permitted shall be at the discretion of the judge to whom the case is assigned, and any such discovery allowed shall be made in conformance with Article V of the Civil Practice Act, O.C.G.A. §§9-11-26 through 9-11-37, except as modified by these rules.