

CHECKLIST FOR PRE-TRIAL STATEMENT

This checklist is provided for you to chart your progress. The checklist is arranged in chronological order. Please refer to the checklist as you complete the materials in this packet.

1. _____ Complete the PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE STATEMENT, PARENTING PLAN, and CRIMINAL RECORD AND ABUSE HISTORY AFFIDAVIT
2. _____ Sign and date PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE STATEMENT, PARENTING PLAN, and CRIMINAL RECORD AND ABUSE HISTORY AFFIDAVIT
3. _____ Copies of PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE STATEMENT, PARENTING PLAN, and CRIMINAL RECORD AND ABUSE HISTORY AFFIDAVIT made
4. _____ Complete the CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FORM
5. _____ Sign and date CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FORM

IMPORTANT: AT LEAST FIVE DAYS PRIOR TO THE PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE:

6. _____ File PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE STATEMENT, CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FORM, PARENTING PLAN, and CRIMINAL RECORD AND ABUSE HISTORY AFFIDAVIT and all copies with the Prothonotary.
7. _____ Serve PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE STATEMENT, CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FORM, PARENTING PLAN, and CRIMINAL RECORD AND ABUSE HISTORY AFFIDAVIT on the other party/attorney.
8. _____ Complete and file the Certificate of Service with the Prothonotary.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Plaintiff : No. _____-SU-_____
: :
: : CIVIL ACTION – LAW
VS. : :
: :
: :

Defendant : CUSTODY

CUSTODY PRE-TRIAL STATEMENT

I. BRIEF SUMMARY OF CASE, INCLUDING INITIALS AND YEARS OF BIRTH OF CHILDREN AT ISSUE AND THE CURRENT CUSTODY SITUATION:

Plaintiff, _____ is the
(Name of Plaintiff)

(Plaintiff's relationship to the child/ren)

Defendant, _____ is the
(Name of Defendant)

(Defendant's relationship to the child/ren)

of the following child(ren) at issue:

Child(ren)'s Initials:

Month and Year of Birth:

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THE PRE-TRIAL STATEMENT MUST BE FILED WITH A CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FORM

Pursuant to Pa.R.C.P. No. 1915.4-4(b) the Pre-Trial Statement:

- (1) Must be filed with the Prothonotary's Office 5 days PRIOR to the Pre-Trial Conference; and
- (2) Served on the opposing party/counsel

The present custody situation is as follows (include date of Current Order):

The present custody situation has existed since approximately _____ months / years.

II. STATEMENT OF ISSUES EXPECTED TO ARISE DURING TRIAL:

III. ADMISSION FROM PLEADINGS TO BE MADE PART OF RECORD:

IV. STIPULATION OF PARTIES:

V. WITNESSES TO BE CALLED:

NAME	ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP TO PARTY & SUBJECT OF TESTIMONY
1.		
2.		
3.		
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Pursuant to Pa.R.C.P. No. 1915.4-4(b)(2) the Pre-Trial Statement must include a statement by the party or the party's counsel that he or she has communicated with each listed witness.

VI. STATUS OF EXPERT WITNESSES, REPORTS, EVALUATIONS AND STUDIES:

VII. STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS OR UNUSUAL EVIDENTIARY PROBLEMS EXPECTED TO ARISE AT TRIAL: (Parties should submit authority for their respective positions with this memorandum.)

VIII. SPECIAL REQUESTS, UNCOMPLETED MATTERS:

IX. STATEMENT OF SETTLEMENT PROSPECTS: _____

X. ESTIMATED TIME NEEDED FOR TRIAL: _____

Respectfully submitted,

Signature

Print Name

Address – Street

City, State and Zip Code

Phone Number

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Case Records Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania
204 Pa. Code § 213.81
www.pacourts.us/public-records

(Party name as displayed in case caption)

Docket/Case No.

Vs.

(Party name as displayed in case caption)

Court

This form is associated with the pleading titled _____, dated _____.

Pursuant to the *Case Records Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania*, the Confidential Information Form shall accompany a filing where confidential information is **required by law, ordered by the court, or otherwise necessary to effect the disposition of a matter**. This form, and any additional pages, shall remain confidential, except that it shall be available to the parties, counsel of record, the court, and the custodian. This form, and any additional pages, must be served on all unrepresented parties and counsel of record.

This Information Pertains to:	Confidential Information:	References in Filing:
<p>_____ (full name of adult)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>This information pertains to a minor with the initials of ____ and the full name of</p> <p>_____ (full name of minor)</p> <p>and date of birth: _____</p>	<p>Social Security Number (SSN): _____</p> <p>Financial Account Number (FAN): _____</p> <p>Driver License Number (DLN): _____</p> <p>State of Issuance: _____</p> <p>State Identification Number (SID): _____</p>	<p>Alternative Reference: SSN 1</p> <p>Alternative Reference: FAN 1</p> <p>Alternative Reference: DLN 1</p> <p>Alternative Reference: SID 1</p>
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Additional page(s) attached. _____ total pages are attached to this filing.

I certify that this filing complies with the provisions of the *Case Records Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania* that require filing confidential information and documents differently than non-confidential information and documents.

Signature of Attorney or Unrepresented Party

Date

Name: _____

Attorney Number: (if applicable) _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

NOTE: Parties and attorney of record in a case will have access to this Confidential Information Form. Confidentiality of this information must be maintained.

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Instructions for Completing the Confidential Information Form

The following information is confidential and shall not be included in any document filed with a court or custodian, except on a Confidential Information Form filed contemporaneously with the document:

1. Social Security Numbers
2. Financial Account Numbers, except an active financial account number may be identified by the last four digits when the financial account is the subject of the case and cannot otherwise be identified. “Financial Account Numbers” include financial institution account numbers, debit and credit card numbers, and methods of authentication used to secure accounts such as personal identification numbers, user names and passwords.
3. Driver License Numbers
4. State Identification (SID) Numbers
5. Minors’ names and dates of birth except when a minor is charged as a defendant in a criminal matter (see 42 Pa.C.S. § 6355). “Minor” is a person under the age of eighteen.
6. Abuse victim’s address and other contact information, including employer’s name, address and work schedule, in family court actions as defined by Pa.R.C.P. No. 1931(a), except for victim’s name. “Abuse Victim” is a person for whom a protection order has been granted by a court pursuant to Pa.R.C.P. No. 1901 et seq. and 23 Pa.C.S. § 6101 et seq. or Pa.R.C.P. No. 1951 et seq. and 42 Pa.C.S. § 62A01 et seq. **If necessary, this information must be provided on the separate Abuse Victim Addendum. Please note there are separate instructions for the completion of the Addendum located on the form.**

Please note this form does not need to be filed in types of cases that are sealed or exempted from public access pursuant to applicable authority (e.g. juvenile, adoption, etc.).

- **The best way to protect confidential information is not to provide it to the court. Therefore, only provide confidential information to the court when it is required by law, ordered by the court or is otherwise necessary to effect the disposition of a matter.**
- Do not include confidential information in any other document filed with the court under this docket.
- If you need to refer to a piece of confidential information in a document, use the alternate references. If you need to attach additional pages, sequentially number each alternate reference – i.e. SSN 3, SSN 4, etc.
- This form, and any additional pages, must be served on all unrepresented parties and counsel of record.

A court or custodian is not required to review or redact any filed document for compliance with the *Case Records Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania*. A party’s or attorney’s failure to comply with this section shall not affect access to case records that are otherwise accessible.

If a filed document fails to comply with the requirements of the above referenced policy, a court of record may, upon motion or its own initiative, with or without a hearing, order the filed document sealed, redacted, amended or any combination thereof; a magisterial district court may, upon request or its own initiative, redact, amend or both. A court of record may impose sanctions, including costs necessary to prepare a compliant document for filing in accordance with applicable authority.

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Abuse Victim Addendum

Instructions for Completing the Abuse Victim Addendum: The Abuse Victim Addendum shall accompany a filing where confidential information is being provided by an abuse victim, as defined in this policy, **in family court actions** (see Pa.R.C.P. No. 1931(a)), **as required by law, ordered by the court, or otherwise necessary to effect the disposition of a matter.** This addendum, and any additional pages, shall only be provided to the court and shall remain confidential. The best way to protect confidential information is not to provide it to the court. Therefore, only provide confidential information to the court when it is required by law, ordered by the court or is otherwise necessary to effect the disposition of a matter.

Type of Family Court Action		
Divorce, Annulment, Dissolution of Marriage	Child Custody	
Support	Paternity	Protection from Abuse
This Information Pertains to:	Confidential Information:	References in Filing:
<hr/> (full name of abuse victim)	AV Address: <hr/>	Alternative Reference: AV 1 Address
<hr/> Docket/Case No. of Protection Order	AV Employer's Name & Address: <hr/>	Alternative Reference: AV 1 Employer's Name & Address
<hr/> Court/County	AV Work Schedule: <hr/>	Alternative Reference: AV 1 Work Schedule
	AV Other contact information: <hr/>	Alternative Reference: AV 1 Other contact information

Attach additional page(s) if necessary.

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Additional page (if necessary)

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County of Adams

Courts' Self-Help Center – Packets

PARENTING PLAN

This packet contains information, forms, and instructions on developing a parenting plan with the other parent in a child custody case.

DISCLAIMER

Court staff is not able to give you legal advice or help you fill out/complete these forms. The information in this packet is not a substitute for professional legal advice. The Court, the Adams County Bar Association and the Family Law Committee assume no responsibility and accept no liability for actions taken by users of these documents, including reliance on their contents. If you want to obtain the services of an attorney but do not know whom to contact, please call the Pennsylvania Lawyer Referral Service at 1-800-692-7375. A list of attorneys practicing in Adams County available for consultation on filling out self-help custody and divorce Forms can be obtained by inquiring with the Prothonotary, Law Library, Adams County Children and Youth Services, Adams County Domestic Relations Section, the Office of the Court Administrator or on the Court's Self-Help webpage at <https://adamscountypa.gov/courts/courtadministration/selfhelpcenter>.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Introduction

1. This is the **PARENTING PLAN** packet. This packet should be used when a Judge in your custody case orders you to complete a **PARENTING PLAN or if you need a guideline to help you and your co-parent to resolve your custody case**. Please note:
 - i. If you do not have a Custody Order, and would like to obtain one, use the Obtaining a Custody Order packet.
 - ii. If you have a Custody Order and would like to change the Order, use the Modification of a Custody Order packet.
 - iii. If you need to enforce a Custody Order, use the Enforcing a Custody Order packet.
2. This packet of information has been created by members of the Adams County Bar Association. These materials are intended to assist individuals involved in a custody action by providing general information and legal forms. **IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT YOU HIRE AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT YOU IN ANY CUSTODY ACTION.** The information provided herein is not legal advice and is not to be used as a substitute for professional legal advice. Just as you would consult a medical professional for a medical issue, you should consult a legal professional for a legal issue.

B. Legal Definitions

1. **Custody** means the legal right to keep, control, care for and make decisions for a child and includes the terms “legal custody,” “physical custody,” and “shared custody.”
2. **Legal Custody** is the right to make major decisions on behalf of the child, including, but not limited to, medical, religious and educational decisions.
 - i. **Sole Legal Custody:** The right of one individual to exclusive legal custody of the child.
 - ii. **Shared Legal Custody:** The right of more than one individual to legal custody of the child.
3. **Physical Custody** is the actual physical possession and control of a child. When a person has physical custody of the children, regardless if they have legal custody, they can make decisions regarding the child’s health in an emergency situation. There are different types of physical custody schedules, including:
 - i. **Primary Physical Custody:** The right to assume physical custody of the child for the majority of the time. The child lives with one party for the majority of the time.

- ii. **Shared Physical Custody:** The right of more than one individual to assume physical custody of the child, each having significant periods of physical custodial time with the child. The child lives with each party for an equal or substantially equal amount of time.
 - iii. **Partial Physical Custody:** The right to assume physical custody of the child for less than a majority of the time. The child lives with one party some of the time but not the majority of the time. A common example is when one party has the children every other weekend from Friday to Sunday, and occasionally one day during the week that they do not receive the child on the weekend.
 - iv. **Sole Physical Custody:** The right of one individual to exclusive physical custody of the child.
 - v. **Visitation:** Pennsylvania no longer uses the term Visitation. Partial Physical Custody, defined above, is equivalent to Visitation as defined in some states.
 - vi. **Supervised Physical Custody:** Custodial time during which an agency or an adult designated by the court or agreed upon by the parties monitors the interaction between the child and the individual with those rights.
4. **Relocation:** A change in a residence of the child which significantly impairs the ability of a non-relocating party to exercise custodial rights.
5. Further information about the preceding legal definitions and about custody law may be found in the statutes that govern custody, Title 23 Pa. Consolidated Statutes Sections 5321 to 5340 (23 Pa.C.S. §§ 5321 – 5340), and in the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure, Pa.R.C.P. 1915.1 – 1915.25.

C. Custody Factors (23 Pa. C.S. §5328)

1. In ordering any form of custody, the Court shall determine the best interest of the child by considering all relevant factors, giving weighted consideration to those factors which affect the safety of the child, including:
 - i. Which party is more likely to encourage and permit frequent and continuing contact between the child and another party.
 - ii. The present and past abuse committed by a party or member of the party's household, whether there is a continued risk of harm to the child or an abused party and which party can better provide adequate physical safeguards and supervision of the child.
 - iii. The parental duties performed by each party on behalf of the child.
 - iv. The need for stability and continuity in the child's education, family life and community life.
 - v. The availability of extended family.
 - vi. The child's sibling relationships.
 - vii. The well-reasoned preference of the child, based on the child's maturity and judgment.

- viii. The attempts of a parent to turn the child against the other parent, except in cases of domestic violence where reasonable safety measures are necessary to protect the child from harm.
- ix. Which party is more likely to maintain a loving, stable, consistent and nurturing relationship with the child adequate for the child's emotional needs.
- x. Which party is more likely to attend to the daily physical, emotional, developmental, educational and special needs of the child.
- xi. The proximity of residences of the parties.
- xii. Each party's availability to care for the child or ability to make appropriate child-care arrangements.
- xiii. The level of conflict between the parties and the willingness and ability of the parties to cooperate with one another. A party's effort to protect a child from abuse by another party is not evidence of unwillingness or inability to cooperate with that party.
- xiv. The history of drug or alcohol abuse of a party or member of a party's household.
- xv. The mental and physical condition of a party or member of a party's household.
- xvi. Any other relevant factor.

D. Criminal Convictions and Charges

1. Where a party seeks any form of custody the Court shall consider whether that party or member of that party's household has been convicted of or has pleaded guilty or no contest to any of the offenses listed below or an offense in another jurisdiction substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed below. The Court shall consider such conduct and determine that the party does not pose a threat of harm to the child before making any order of custody to that parent when considering the following charges:

Criminal homicide, aggravated assault, terroristic threats, stalking, kidnapping, unlawful restraint, false imprisonment, luring a child into a motor vehicle or structure, rape, statutory sexual assault, involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, sexual assault, aggravated indecent assault, indecent assault, indecent exposure, sexual intercourse with animals, offenses relating to sex offenders, arson, incest, concealing death of child, endangering welfare of children, offenses relating to dealing in infant children, prostitution, offenses related to obscene and other sexual materials and performances, corruption of minors, sexual abuse of children, unlawful contact with minor, sexual exploitation of children, contempt for violation of a permanent or temporary Protection From Abuse Order or agreement, driving under the influence of alcohol or controlled substance, driving after imbibing alcohol or utilizing drugs, and offenses related to The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic

Act prohibiting manufacture, sale or delivery, holding, offering for sale or possession of any controlled substance or other drug or device.

2. If you have obtained information about a criminal charge filed against the other party for an offense listed above, you may move for a temporary Custody Order or modification of an existing Custody Order. The Court must schedule an expedited hearing and the Court shall consider whether the party who is or has been charged with an offense poses a risk of physical, emotional or psychological harm to the child.
3. You can find out information about pending criminal charges, criminal convictions, guilty pleas and no contest pleas in Pennsylvania by logging on to the Web Portal for the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania at <https://ujportal.pacourts.us/>. Once on this website, you can look up the docket information for all minor courts (Magisterial District Judges) and Common Pleas Courts in Pennsylvania. If you have correctly spelled the last name of the individual, you can find out if there are convictions or charges pending against the individual in all counties in Pennsylvania.
4. Criminal Record / Abuse History Verification
 - i. The plaintiff or petitioner must file and serve with any Complaint for Custody or Petition for Modification a criminal record verification form regarding any criminal or abuse history of the plaintiff or petitioner and anyone living in the plaintiff or petitioner's household. This form can be found after the Parenting Plan in this packet. The plaintiff or petitioner must attach a blank criminal history verification form to a Complaint or Petition served upon the defendant or respondent. The defendant or respondent must file with the court a verification regarding any criminal or abuse history of the defendant or respondent and anyone living in the defendant or respondent's household on or before the initial in-person contact with the court, but not later than 30 days after service of the Complaint or Petition upon the defendant or respondent. If a trial is scheduled, both parties shall file and serve updated verification forms at least five days prior to trial.
 - ii. The Obtaining a Custody Order packet and the Modification of a Custody Order packet contain Criminal Record / Abuse History Verification forms for both parties. Additional copies of the blank Verification may be obtained from outside the law library on the third floor of the Adams County Courthouse or from the Courts' Self-Help Center at <https://adamscountypa.gov/courts/courtadministration/selfhelpcenter>.

E. Rules of Civil Procedure

1. A copy of the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure and Adams County Local Rules can be obtained from the law library located on the Third Floor of the

Adams County Courthouse. The applicable rules of court are Rules 1915.1 through 1915.25 of the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure.

F. Basic Procedure – **PARENTING PLAN**

1. This packet contains instructions and forms for completing the **PARENTING PLAN**. If the Judge in your custody case orders you to complete a **PARENTING PLAN**, you may use the instructions and forms from this packet to do so. If there is no custody order involving the children and you want to obtain a custody order, you should not use this packet but rather you should use the Obtaining a Custody Order packet and use the parenting plan packet to facilitate a discussion with your co-parent to possibly resolve your case. If you have an existing custody order and you wish to modify it, you should not use this packet but rather you should use the Modification of a Custody Order packet. If you are experiencing difficulties with regard to the other party following an already existing custody order, then you should not use this packet but rather you should use the Enforcing a Custody Order packet.

G. Service

1. **STOP!! READ THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH CAREFULLY!**
2. The Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure require that all documents (including Petitions, Complaints and Orders) that you file with the Court must be served by you on the other party, or their attorney of record, if any. This includes any Orders you receive scheduling an appearance before the Judge as a result of your filing. Although the Prothonotary's Office may send a copy of a Scheduling Order to the parties, **THIS IS NOT SERVICE**. If you do not properly serve all other parties, your case may be delayed, or even dismissed. This packet includes information on how to properly serve the other party.

H. Obtaining a Custody Order

1. **If there is a Custody Agreement:** You can initiate a custody action by yourself or through an attorney. Even if there is an agreement about custody, you still need to complete a Custody Complaint, file the Complaint at the Prothonotary's Office, and follow the instructions in the packet for service. The Court will schedule a time for all parties involved to meet at the Courthouse to place the agreement on the record for entry of an Order.
2. **If there is NO Custody Agreement:** you must complete various documents that must be filed at the Prothonotary's Office. After the Court receives all of your properly filed documents, a custody conference will be scheduled by Court Order. You must then pick up the Court Order that schedules the custody presentation from the Prothonotary, as well as your Custody Complaint and other required documents, and properly serve or provide a copy of those documents to the other

side. You must prove, by filling out and filing an appropriate document, that you served the other side. If necessary, a custody trial will be scheduled at the time of the custody conference.

3. **What is a Custody Presentation?** In Adams County, the first time that you come to Court in a custody case will not be a trial, unless a Judge has signed an Order that says otherwise. Normally, the first time that you come to Court will be for a Custody Presentation.

- i. A Custody Presentation is held for the following reasons:
 - To make the Judge familiar with your custody case.
 - To have you and the other party meet with the Judge and tell the Judge what the dispute is about.
 - To find out whether it is possible for everyone in the case to agree to a custody schedule without having a trial.
 - To have the Judge establish a custody schedule between the time of the conference and the time of the custody trial if the parties are unable to resolve their difference by agreement.
- ii. You will need to attend the custody presentation at the date, time and place set forth in the Court Order. The Court will determine whether the parties can agree on an appropriate custody schedule. If no agreement is reached the Court will order a temporary custody arrangement and set a time for a conciliation conference to attempt to resolve the matter. If the matter is unresolved at the conciliation conference, the Judge will schedule the case for a pre-trial conference and a trial, if necessary.
- iii. Prior to coming to the custody conciliation conference, you should complete a Conciliation Conference Memorandum to submit to the conciliator.

4. **What is a Custody Trial?**

- i. At the trial, you will present witnesses and exhibits in support of your request for custody. At the end of the trial, the Court will enter an Order resolving the custody dispute.
- ii. If the Judge schedules a trial, you may be ordered to complete a **PARENTING PLAN**. You must complete the **PARENTING PLAN**, file it with the Prothonotary, and serve it on the other party. You will also need to file the Certificate of Service proving you served the **PARENTING PLAN**.
- iii. If the Judge schedules a trial, you may do a great disservice to yourself and your children if you do not consult with and hire a licensed attorney. If you end up having a trial before the Judge and do not have an attorney representing you, you will be considered to have all the knowledge and training of a lawyer during the trial. You must follow all rules of evidence and procedure, just like a trained lawyer.
- iv. If the other side does not have a lawyer at the trial and you do not have a lawyer, the Judge may, but is not required to, be more understanding of the situation and may relax some of the formal rules that govern how the

trial is conducted. If, however, you do not have a lawyer and the other side has a lawyer at the trial, you may become very frustrated and feel defeated by the process. To prevent this from happening, you really should hire a lawyer if a custody trial is scheduled.

I. Enforcing a Custody Order

1. If someone violates the provisions of a Custody Order, then you can file a Petition for Civil Contempt along with a Notice and Order to Appear. After the Court receives a completed Petition for Civil Contempt along with a Notice and Order to Appear, a date and time will be scheduled for a hearing. These documents must be properly served on all parties and proper documentation of service must be submitted to the Court. At the hearing, the Court will review the evidence, and if necessary, take testimony from any witnesses. If someone violates a Custody Order, then he/she can be subject to a fine and/or imprisonment. The Enforcing a Custody Order Packet is available for your use regarding enforcing a Custody Order should the need arise, and can be obtained from outside the Adams County Law Library on the third floor of the Adams County Courthouse or from the Courts' Self-Help Center on the internet at <https://adamscountypa.gov/courts/courtadministration/selfhelpcenter>.

J. Modifying a Custody Order

1. If a Custody Order already exists but circumstances have changed, then you can file a Petition for Modification along with an Order of Court. The Court will schedule a date and time for a trial by Court Order. These documents must be properly served on all parties and proper documentation of service must be submitted to the Court. At the trial, the Court will review the evidence, and if necessary, take testimony from any witnesses. If the Court determines that the modification is warranted, then a new Court Order will be issued. The Modification of Custody Order Packet is available for your use regarding modifying a Custody Order should the need arise, and can be obtained from outside the Adams County Law Library on the third floor of the Adams County Courthouse or from the Courts' Self-Help Center on the internet at <https://adamscountypa.gov/courts/courtadministration/selfhelpcenter>.

K. Relocation

1. If one party wants to move, and the change in residence of the child will significantly impair the ability of the non-relocating party to exercise custodial rights, the moving party must file a Notice of Proposed Relocation no later than 60 days before the move. In certain circumstances, this Notice can be filed later than 60 days before the move. **Relocation is complicated and it is strongly suggested you talk to an attorney if you plan to relocate with the child or if the other party plans to relocate with the child.**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE PARENTING PLAN

A. Completing the PARENTING PLAN

- 1. In a contested custody proceeding, the Judge may require that the parties submit PARENTING PLANS for the care and custody of the child to aid the Court in resolving the custody dispute. You may also use this form to guide your informal discussion with your co-parent in an attempt to settle the custody dispute.**
 - i. If the parties cannot come to an agreement on a custody schedule at the custody presentation or at conciliation, the Judge will schedule a date and time for trial.
 - ii. If a trial is scheduled, the Judge may order you and the other parties to each complete a **PARENTING PLAN**.
 - iii. You must complete, file, and serve the **PARENTING PLAN** on the other party at least a week prior to the date of the trial.
 - iv. Please refer to the following instructions for completing the **PARENTING PLAN**.

- 2. CAPTION**
 - i. Print the name of the Plaintiff in the line for Plaintiff, the name(s) of the other parent or guardian of the child/ren in the line(s) for Defendant(s), and the case number. This should appear exactly as the caption looks on all other documents for this case, such as the COMPLAINT FOR CUSTODY or PETITION TO MODIFY CUSTODY. **DO NOT REVERSE THE NAMES!**

- 3. THIS PARENTING PLAN INVOLVES THE FOLLOWING CHILD/CHILDREN**
 - i. Print the INITIALS, age, and residence of each child that will be involved with the parenting plan. Do not use full names of the child/ren. The child/ren involved in this custody case are the child/ren you should list here. Please use initials instead of a child's name.

- 4. CHILDREN NOT ADDRESSED BY THIS PARENTING PLAN**
 - i. Print the initials, age, and residence of all other children you have, that are not part of this custody case. Please use initials instead of a child's name.

- 5. LEGAL CUSTODY**
 - i. Circle whether both parties plan to decide together or whether the Plaintiff or Defendant only will make decisions as to the listed legal custody items.

- 6. EXPLAIN THE PROCESS YOU WILL USE TO MAKE DECISIONS**
 - i. Explain how you and your co-parent plan to make decisions pertaining to the child/ren involved with this custody case.

7. PHYSICAL CUSTODY

- i. List where and with whom the child/ren involved in this custody case will be residing.

8. DESCRIBE WHICH DAYS AND WHICH TIMES OF THE DAY THE CHILD/CHILDREN WILL BE WITH EACH PERSON

- i. For each day of the week, list the planned custody schedule of the child/ren involved with this custody case.

9. DESCRIBE WHERE AND WHEN THE CHILD/REN WILL BE DROPPED OFF AND/OR PICKED UP

- i. Print the location, time and day of the planned custody exchanges, based on the planned custody schedule.

10. IF ONE OF YOU DOESN'T SHOW UP, HOW LONG WILL THE OTHER WAIT?

- i. For the planned custody exchanges, list how long the other parent should wait at the planned custody exchange location when one parent is late or hasn't shown up.

11. IF THERE ARE ANY EXTRAORDINARY COSTS, WHO WILL PAY?

- i. List which parent (or if both parents) plans to pay for which costs if custody exchanges require extraordinary costs, such as the cost of taxis, trains, and airplanes.

12. HOLIDAYS

- i. For each holiday, list which parent will have custody of the child.
- ii. The **PARENTING PLAN** allows for an alternating schedule (YEAR A/YEAR B) or for one parent to have custody on each year.
 1. For example, Mother might like to have custody of the child for Memorial Day in Year A, and give Father custody of the child on this day in the next year, Year B. This schedule would then alternate year to year.
 2. For example, Father might like to have custody of the child on every Father's Day, and Mother on every Mother's Day.
- iii. If a listed holiday does not apply, you may draw a line through that holiday or write "Not-Applicable".
- iv. If there are other holidays not listed, please write-in the holiday you wish to schedule in the "Other" spaces.

13. SUMMER VACATION PLANS

- i. In the space provided, describe how you plan to share custody of the child/ren over the summer (non-school) months.

- ii. Please also indicate any periods of time you would like to reserve for vacation that you would like to take with the child/ren and the time required.

14. SPECIAL ACTIVITIES or SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- i. For each child, list special activities and school activities and whether both parents may attend, and if not, which parent attends.

15. TEMPORARY CHANGES TO THIS PARENTING SCHEDULE

- i. From time to time, one of you might want or need to rearrange the parenting time schedule due to work, family, or other reasons. You can attempt to agree on these changes. If you cannot agree, the parent receiving the request will make the final decision.
- ii. Please describe which methods the asking parent may use to contact the receiving parent. Please check all that apply.
- iii. Please indicate how far ahead of time the request must be made.
- iv. Please indicate the methods the receiving parent may use to reply to the asking parent. Check all that apply.
- v. Please indicate how long the receiving parent has to reply to the request.

16. MAY PARENTS CONTACT ONE ANOTHER?

- i. Indicate whether the parents may contact one another, and describe by which methods.

17. WHEN THE CHILD/CHILDREN IS/ARE WITH ONE OF YOU, HOW MAY THEY CONTACT THE OTHER PARENT?

- i. Please describe how the child may contact the parent not exercising custody when the child is with the parent exercising custody.

18. WHEN AND HOW MAY YOU CONTACT THE CHILD WHEN THE CHILD IS WITH THE OTHER PARENT?

- i. Describe how you may contact the child when the child is with the other parent.

19. CHANGES TO PARENTING PLAN AND CUSTODY ORDER

- i. In the event that proposed changes, disputes or alleged breaches of this **PARENTING PLAN** and Custody Order are necessary or desired, describe how the parties plan to address such changes.

20. OTHER

- i. If there is anything else that you and the other parent want to agree on, please list it here. This will help the Judge in making the custody decision.

21. Completing the PARENTING PLAN

- i. After you have completed the **PARENTING PLAN**
 1. Sign and date the **PARENTING PLAN**.
 2. Have a witness who saw you sign and date the **PARENTING PLAN** sign and date as a witness.
- ii. You must then make at least two (2) copies of the **PARENTING PLAN**.
- iii. File the original and all copies with the Prothonotary's Office at least a week prior to attending the custody trial.
- iv. The Prothonotary will keep the original and return to you the copies of the **PARENTING PLAN**. Save one copy for yourself and serve the other on the other party, see below.

22. Serve the PARENTING PLAN on the other parties

- i. You must serve the **PARENTING PLAN** on all of the other parties at least a week prior to the custody trial.
- ii. Service may be completed by mailing a copy of the **PARENTING PLAN** to the other parties via First Class Mail.
- iii. Please complete the Certificate of Service form, and file the Certificate of Service with the Prothonotary. The Certificate of Service form is located at the end of this packet.

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Name	PLAINTIFF	:	
		:	
	vs.	:	CASE NO. _____
		:	
		:	ACTION IN CUSTODY
Name	DEFENDANT 1	:	
		:	
	<i>and (if applicable):</i>	:	
		:	
Name	DEFENDANT 2	:	

PARENTING PLAN

This parenting plan involves the following child/children:

	<u>Child's INITIALS</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Where does the child live?</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____

If you have children not addressed by this parenting plan, name here:

	<u>Child's INITIALS</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Where does the child live?</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____

Legal Custody (who makes decisions about certain things):

Check one

Diet	Both parties decide together <input type="checkbox"/>	Plaintiff <input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant <input type="checkbox"/>
Religion	Both parties decide together <input type="checkbox"/>	Plaintiff <input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant <input type="checkbox"/>
Medical Care	Both parties decide together <input type="checkbox"/>	Plaintiff <input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant <input type="checkbox"/>
Mental Health Care	Both parties decide together <input type="checkbox"/>	Plaintiff <input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant <input type="checkbox"/>
Discipline	Both parties decide together <input type="checkbox"/>	Plaintiff <input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant <input type="checkbox"/>
Choice of School	Both parties decide together <input type="checkbox"/>	Plaintiff <input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant <input type="checkbox"/>
Choice of Study	Both parties decide together <input type="checkbox"/>	Plaintiff <input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant <input type="checkbox"/>
School Activities	Both parties decide together <input type="checkbox"/>	Plaintiff <input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant <input type="checkbox"/>
Sports Activities	Both parties decide together <input type="checkbox"/>	Plaintiff <input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant <input type="checkbox"/>
Additional Items	Both parties decide together <input type="checkbox"/>	Plaintiff <input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant <input type="checkbox"/>

Explain the process you will use to make decisions:

(For example, the parent confronted with or anticipating the choice will call the other parent when the choice presents itself, and the other parent must agree or disagree within 24 hours of any deadline.)

Physical Custody (where the child/ren live):

The child/ren's residence is with:

Describe which days and which times of the day the child/ren will be with each person:

Sunday: _____

Monday: _____

Tuesday: _____

Wednesday: _____

Thursday: _____

Friday: _____

Saturday: _____

Describe where and when the child/ren will be dropped off and/or picked up (day and time of day):

Drop-Off:

Where: _____

When: _____

Pick-Up:

Where: _____

When: _____

If one of you doesn't show up, how long will the other wait? _____

If there are any extraordinary costs (taxi, train, airplane, etc.), who will pay for which costs?

HOLIDAYS – Where will the child/children stay?

HOLIDAY	YEAR A	YEAR B	EVERY YEAR
Martin Luther King Day	_____	_____	_____
Presidents Day	_____	_____	_____
Easter	_____	_____	_____
Memorial Day	_____	_____	_____
Fourth of July	_____	_____	_____
Labor Day	_____	_____	_____
Yom Kippur	_____	_____	_____
Rosh Hashanah	_____	_____	_____
Thanksgiving	_____	_____	_____
Vacation after Thanksgiving	_____	_____	_____
Christmas Vacation	_____	_____	_____
Kwanzaa	_____	_____	_____
New Year's Eve/Day	_____	_____	_____
Spring Vacation	_____	_____	_____
Easter Sunday	_____	_____	_____

Child's Birthday	_____	_____	_____
Mother's Day	_____	_____	_____
Father's Day	_____	_____	_____
Other _____	_____	_____	_____
Other _____	_____	_____	_____
Other _____	_____	_____	_____

Summer Schedule/ Vacation Plans:

Special Activities or School Activities:

Child's Initials	List Activity	Both attend? If not, which parent attends?
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Temporary changes to this parenting schedule:

From time to time, one of you might want or need to rearrange the parenting time schedule due to work, family, or other events. You can attempt to agree on these changes. If you cannot agree, the parent receiving the request will make the final decision.

The parent asking for the change will ask: *(check all that apply)*

in person by letter/mail by phone by email by co-parenting app

No later than: 12 hours 24 hours 1 week 1 month ahead of time.

The parent being asked for a change will reply: *(check all that apply)*

in person by letter/mail by phone by email by co-parenting app

No later than 12 hours 24 hours 1 week 1 month after being asked

Generally, by what method may parents contact one another?

When the child/ren is/are with one of you, how may they contact the other parent?

When and how may you contact the child when the child is with the other parent?

In the event that proposed changes, disputes or alleged breaches of this parenting plan and custody order are necessary or desired, the parties agree that such changes will be addressed by the following method (specify method, i.e., informal discussion, mediation, court action, etc.)

Other (Anything else you want to agree on):

Date

Signature of Mother

Date

Signature of Father

Date

Signature of Mother's Witness

Date

Signature of Father's Witness

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Name	DEFENDANT 1	:	
	and (if applicable)	:	
Name	DEFENDANT 2	:	

PETITIONER’S CRIMINAL RECORD / ABUSE HISTORY VERIFICATION

I, _____, hereby swear or affirm, subject to penalties of law including 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities that:

1. Unless indicated by my checking the “YES” box next to a crime below, I have checked the “NO” box to indicate that neither I nor any other member of my household have been convicted or pled guilty or pled no contest or was adjudicated delinquent where the record is publicly available pursuant to the Juvenile Act, 42 Pa.C.S. § 6307, to any of the following crimes in Pennsylvania or a substantially equivalent crime in any other jurisdiction, including pending charges:

Check YES to all that apply	Check NO to all that DO NOT apply	Crime	Self	Other household member	Date of conviction, guilty plea, no contest plea or pending charges	Sentence
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. Ch. 25 (relating to criminal homicide)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 2702 (relating to aggravated assault)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 2706 (relating to terroristic threats)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 2709.1 (relating to stalking)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 2901 (relating to kidnapping)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 2902 (relating to unlawful restraint)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Check YES to all that apply	Check NO to all that DO NOT apply	Crime	Self	Other household member	Date of conviction, guilty plea, no contest plea or pending charges	Sentence
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 2903 (relating to false imprisonment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 2910 (relating to luring a child into a motor vehicle or structure)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3121 (relating to rape)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3122.1 (relating to statutory sexual assault)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual intercourse)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3124.1 (relating to sexual assault)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3125 (relating to aggravated indecent assault)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3126 (relating to indecent assault)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3127 (relating to indecent exposure)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3129 (relating to sexual intercourse with animal)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3130 (relating to conduct relating to sex offenders)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3301 (relating to arson and related offenses)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 4302 (relating to incest)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 4303 (relating to concealing death of child)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 4304 (relating to endangering welfare of children)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 4305 (relating to dealing in infant children)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Check YES to all that apply	Check NO to all that DO NOT apply	Crime	Self	Other household member	Date of conviction, guilty plea, no contest plea or pending charges	Sentence
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 5902(b) (relating to prostitution and related offenses)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 5903(c) or (d) (relating to obscene and other sexual materials and performances)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 6301 (relating to corruption of minors)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 6312 (relating to sexual abuse of children)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 6318 (relating to unlawful contact with minor)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 6320 (relating to sexual exploitation of children)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	23 Pa.C.S. § 6114 (relating to contempt for violation of protection order or agreement)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Manufacture, sale, delivery, holding, offering for sale or possession of any controlled substance or other drug or device	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. Ch. 30 (relating to human trafficking)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 5902(b.1) (relating to prostitution and related offenses)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

2. Unless indicated by my checking the “YES” box next to an item below, I have checked the “NO” box to indicate that neither I nor any other member of my household have a history of violent or abusive conduct including the following:

Check YES to all that apply	Check NO to all that DO NOT apply		Self	Other household member	Date
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A finding of abuse by a Children & Youth Agency or similar agency in Pennsylvania or similar statute in another jurisdiction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Abusive conduct as defined under the Protection from Abuse Act in Pennsylvania or similar statute in another jurisdiction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

3. Please list any evaluation, counseling or other treatment received following conviction or finding of abuse:

4. If any conviction above applies to a household member, not a party, state that person’s name, date of birth, and relationship to the child:

5. If you are aware that the other party or members of the other party’s household has or have a criminal record/abuse history, please explain:

6a. Has/have the child/children involved with this custody case been the subject of an indicated or founded report of child abuse? YES NO

6b. Has a party or a member of a party's household been identified as the perpetrator in an indicated or founded report of child abuse? YES NO

6c. If you answered YES to question 6a and/or 6b, please complete the following:

Name of perpetrator: _____

Date(s) of incidents of child abuse: _____

Circumstances of child abuse incident(s):

County and state where child abuse investigation took place: _____

7a. Has a party or a member of a party's household been provided services by children & youth services, child protective services, or general protective services? YES NO

7b. If you answered YES to question 7a, please complete the following:

Name of agency that provided services: _____

Type of services provided: _____

The circumstances surrounding the provision of services:

The status of services: _____

Date(s) services provided: _____

County and State where the services were provided: _____

8a. Are you aware of any pending investigations of abuse of either party or members of either party's household by any children & youth services agency, child protective services, or general protective services agency, or the equivalent agency in another jurisdiction, concerning the children in this custody case or any other children?

YES NO

8b. If you answered YES to question 8a, please complete the following:

Name of agency where investigation is pending: _____

Status of the investigation: _____

The circumstances surrounding the investigation:

I verify that the information above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information or belief. I understand that false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

DATE

SIGNATURE

(Printed Name)

(Address)

(_____)_____
(Home Phone)

(_____)_____
(Work Phone)

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RESPONDENT’S CRIMINAL RECORD / ABUSE HISTORY VERIFICATION

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YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3127 (relating to indecent exposure)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3129 (relating to sexual intercourse with animal)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3130 (relating to conduct relating to sex offenders)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 3301 (relating to arson and related offenses)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 4302 (relating to incest)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 4303 (relating to concealing death of child)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 4304 (relating to endangering welfare of children)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 4305 (relating to dealing in infant children)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Check YES to all that apply	Check NO to all that DO NOT apply	Crime	Self	Other household member	Date of conviction, guilty plea, no contest plea or pending charges	Sentence
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 5902(b) (relating to prostitution and related offenses)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 5903(c) or (d) (relating to obscene and other sexual materials and performances)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 6301 (relating to corruption of minors)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 6312 (relating to sexual abuse of children)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 6318 (relating to unlawful contact with minor)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 6320 (relating to sexual exploitation of children)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	23 Pa.C.S. § 6114 (relating to contempt for violation of protection order or agreement)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Manufacture, sale, delivery, holding, offering for sale or possession of any controlled substance or other drug or device	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. Ch. 30 (relating to human trafficking)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	18 Pa.C.S. § 5902(b.1) (relating to prostitution and related offenses)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

2. Unless indicated by my checking the “YES” box next to an item below, I have checked the “NO” box to indicate that neither I nor any other member of my household have a history of violent or abusive conduct including the following:

Check YES to all that apply	Check NO to all that DO NOT apply		Self	Other household member	Date
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A finding of abuse by a Children & Youth Agency or similar agency in Pennsylvania or similar statute in another jurisdiction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Abusive conduct as defined under the Protection from Abuse Act in Pennsylvania or similar statute in another jurisdiction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

3. Please list any evaluation, counseling or other treatment received following conviction or finding of abuse:

4. If any conviction above applies to a household member, not a party, state that person’s name, date of birth, and relationship to the child:

5. If you are aware that the other party or members of the other party’s household has or have a criminal record/abuse history, please explain:

6a. Has/have the child/children involved with this custody case been the subject of an indicated or founded report of child abuse? YES NO

6b. Has a party or a member of a party's household been identified as the perpetrator in an indicated or founded report of child abuse? YES NO

6c. If you answered YES to question 6a and/or 6b, please complete the following:

Name of perpetrator: _____

Date(s) of incidents of child abuse: _____

Circumstances of child abuse incident(s):

County and state where child abuse investigation took place: _____

7a. Has a party or a member of a party's household been provided services by children & youth services, child protective services, or general protective services? YES NO

7b. If you answered YES to question 7a, please complete the following:

Name of agency that provided services: _____

Type of services provided: _____

The circumstances surrounding the provision of services:

The status of services: _____

Date(s) services provided: _____

County and State where the services were provided: _____

8a. Are you aware of any pending investigations of abuse of either party or members of either party's household by any children & youth services agency, child protective services, or general protective services agency, or the equivalent agency in another jurisdiction, concerning the children in this custody case or any other children?

YES NO

8b. If you answered YES to question 8a, please complete the following:

Name of agency where investigation is pending: _____

Status of the investigation: _____

The circumstances surrounding the investigation:

I verify that the information above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information or belief. I understand that false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

DATE

SIGNATURE

(Printed Name)

(Address)

(_____)_____
(Home Phone)

(_____)_____
(Work Phone)

