THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
FAMILY LAW DIVISION

ANSWER TO SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION TO:

MODIFY CHILD SUPPORT
or
MODIFY PARENTING PLAN/TIME-SHARING SCHEDULE

(Packet #4)

USE THIS PACKET TO ANSWER A SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION FOR MODIFICATION OF CHILD SUPPORT OR TIMESHARING

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If you do not know an attorney, you may call the Lawyer Referral Service at 221-7780. If you do not have the money to hire an attorney, you may apply to Bay Area Legal Services by calling 232-1343. You may also obtain legal information at the Legal Information Center at the George Edgecomb Courthouse (call 864-2280 for hours and information).

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FORMS CONTAINED IN THIS PACKET	FORM #	WHEN TO USE
General Information for Self-Represented Litigants	Appendix C	For your information only
12 Rules of Courtroom Civility	12 Rules	Required
Nonlawyer Disclosure	12.900(a)	Required if someone who is not a lawyer helps you with the forms
Answer to Supplemental Petition	12.903(e)	Required
Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act Affidavit (UCCJEA)	12.902(d)	Required if this is a modification of custody case
Financial Affidavit - Short Form	12.902(b)	Required if your income is less than $50,000/yr
Financial Affidavit - Long Form	12.902(c)	Required if your income is more than $50,000/yr
Notice of Social Security Number	12.902(j)	Required
Child Support Guidelines	12.902(e)	Required
Certificate of Compliance with Mandatory Disclosure	12.932	Required unless both parties agree in writing to waive Mandatory Disclosure
Motion to Deviate From Child Support Guidelines	12.943	Use if you want the court to order more or less than the Child Support Guidelines worksheet indicates
Parenting Plan	12.995 (a)	Required (use this form if safety or supervised time-sharing IS NOT a concern)
Supervised/Safety-Focused Parenting Plan	12.995 (b)	Required (use this form if safety or supervised time-sharing IS a concern)
Fee Schedule for Family Law Cases	Fee	A schedule of fees for Family Law related cases
Notice of Confidential Information Within Court Filing	2.40(d)(2)	Use to notify the clerk of documents containing confidential information

STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS

STEP ONE - Complete the required forms and have them notarized

1) **FORMS MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED IN BLACK INK AND MOST MUST BE NOTARIZED.** The clerk's office will notarize documents and charge a fee (see attached schedule). Please bring a valid ID.

2) **Names must be written the same way on all documents (no full names on one document and initials on another).**

3) **Your CASE NUMBER AND DIVISION must be written on all documents.**

4) **Within 20 calendar days from the date of service, complete the following forms and notarize the ones with a notary signature line:**
   A) 12 Rules of Courtroom Civility - (does not need to be notarized)
   B) Answer to Supplemental Petition, Form 12.903(c)
   C) Financial Affidavit
      - Short form, Form 12.902(b), if you make $50,000/year or less
      or
      - Regular form, Form 12.902(c), if you make more than $50,000/year
   D) Notice of Social Security Number, Form 12.902(j)
   E) Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act (UCCJEA) Affidavit, Form 12.902(d)
   F) Parenting Plan
      - Regular form, Form 12.9995(a), use this form if safety or supervised time-sharing IS NOT a concern
      or
      - Supervised/Safety-Focused Parenting Plan, Form 12.995(b), use this form if safety or supervised time-sharing IS a concern

5) **Within 45 calendar days from the date of service, complete the following forms and notarize the ones with a notary signature line:**
   A) Child Support Guidelines Worksheet, Form 12.902(e)
   B) Certificate of Compliance with Mandatory Disclosure, Form 12.932

STEP TWO – Make copies

After you have completed the forms and have signed and notarized them, make at least 2 complete copies of everything you have signed. Copies can be obtained for a fee in the Court Business Center, on the 6th floor of the George Edgecomb Courthouse. You may also purchase copies for $0.15 per page, before filing your case, from the Family Law Intake staff in room 101.

STEP THREE - Filing your forms

Take the *original* set of completed and signed forms to the clerk on the 1st floor of the main courthouse and turn them in. Make sure the case number is written on all forms.

STEP FOUR – Notifying the other party

Mail or hand-deliver 1 set of copies to the other party at the address on the summons.

STEP FIVE – Mandatory Disclosure

You have 45 days from the date you were served to send the other party all of the financial records required by the Mandatory Disclosure Rule (Florida Family Law Rule of Procedure 12.285). You are required to send copies of these documents to the other party. **You are not required to file them with the court.** The documents you are required to give the other party are listed in Form 12.932 - Certificate of Compliance With Mandatory Disclosure.

1) Complete and sign the Certificate of Compliance With Mandatory Disclosure, Form 12.932, indicating which documents you are sending to the other party. Also indicate the date you are sending them and how you are delivering them (by mail, fax and mail, or hand-delivery).
2) Make 2 copies of the documents you will be sending to the other party and 2 copies of the completed and signed Certificate of Compliance. One copy is for your records.
3) Send 1 copy of the documents and 1 copy of the Certificate of Compliance to the other party.
4) File the original Certificate of Compliance with the clerk (do not file copies of the documents you are sending to the other party).

STEP SIX – Mediation

ALL POST-JUDGMENT ISSUES REQUIRE THAT THE PARTIES ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE THE ISSUES IN MEDIATION BEFORE A HEARING DATE CAN BE SCHEDULED. Call the Mediation and Diversion office at 813-272-5642 and ask them to schedule a mediation date. If the other party does not contact the mediation department or the issue(s) cannot be resolved in mediation, a hearing on your petition can be scheduled.

STEP SEVEN – Preparing your case / gathering evidence (if you and the other party do not agree and your case is contested)

If you are contesting issues in your case, you will need to be prepared to present evidence to the judge which supports your position(s). Gathering evidence is called "discovery." Discovery is governed by Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure 12.280 – 12.410 and Florida Rules of Civil Procedure 1.280 – 1.410.
Some discovery methods are:

1. Interrogatories – written questions you send to the other party. See Forms 12.930(a), Notice of Service of Standard Family Law Interrogatories, and 12.930(b), Standard Family Law Interrogatories for Original Proceedings, and their instructions.
2. Notice of Production from Non-Party/Subpoena – a request to someone who is not a party in the case (not the other party) to provide copies of documents to you or to produce documents to be copied by you. See Forms 12.931(a), Notice of Production from Non-Party, and 12.931(b), Subpoena for Production of Documents, and their instructions.
3. Depositions – taking someone's testimony (a party or non-party) under oath before a court reporter.
4. Request for Production of Documents and Things – a written request that the other party provide specified documents or things for you to copy or examine. See Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.350.

Not all evidence can be considered by the judge. Evidence must conform to the Rules of Evidence in Chapter 90 of the Florida Statutes to be admissible in court. The duty of establishing the facts that you want to present to the court, or the burden of proof, is on YOU. You should provide the judge with admissible evidence to support the claims in your petition and your statements in court.

STEP EIGHT – Scheduling the final hearing

You will be notified by mail when the final hearing is scheduled.

COURT REPORTER?

If you want a court reporter for the hearing, you must arrange for this in advance and you must pay the court reporter's fee. If there is no record of the hearing and the judge rules against you, you may not be able to appeal the decision.

STEP NINE – The final hearing

Normally the final hearing is when the petition (and counterpetition, if one was filed) will be considered and all issues will be decided.

HOW TO DRESS - Dress appropriately. No shorts, tank tops, or sandals. Do not chew gum.

WHAT TO BRING - All evidence you want the court to consider in deciding your case, if your case is contested

WHAT TO EXPECT

The hearing will take place in a hearing room or a courtroom. You will not be in front of a jury, just the general magistrate or judge. Do not interrupt the magistrate or judge when he or she speaks. When speaking to the magistrate or judge, address him or her as "Your Honor" or "Judge."

Each court has at least one bailiff who is a deputy sheriff and is there to maintain order. When you arrive for your hearing, let the bailiff know that you are present and ready. He or she will announce your case when it is time for your hearing, and will tell you where to sit and where to place your belongings as you enter the hearing room. A bailiff will usually remain inside the room during your hearing. If witnesses are called, the bailiff will step out to bring the witness into the hearing room.

At your hearing, be prepared to discuss any issues covered in the petition (and the counterpetition, if one was filed) and be able to provide proof of any disputed facts by presenting evidence. Evidence is proof presented at a hearing in the form of witnesses (people), exhibits (documents), and objects (things). Not all evidence can be considered by the general magistrate or judge, however. Evidence must conform to the Rules of Evidence in Chapter 90 of the Florida Statutes to be admissible in court. Remember, the duty of establishing the facts that you want to present to the court is on YOU. You should provide the general magistrate or the judge with admissible evidence to support the claims in your petition and your statements in court. Telling your story may not be enough to win your case.

Once both sides have presented their evidence, the general magistrate or judge will make a decision and an order will be prepared. The order will contain all the details of the court's decision. You will receive a copy of the order in the mail. The original order will go to the clerk's office to be filed in your court file.

Family Forms and Packets - available for purchase at the Court Business Center

Form Packets with Instructions:

1) Complete packets with all forms and self-help instructions are priced individually and available at the Court Business Center (CBC), in Room 630 (6th Floor) of the George Edgecomb Courthouse, 800 E. Twiggs Street, Tampa, Florida.
2) Free online at:
   a) www.fljud13.org/Portals/0/Forms/pdfs/family/packetList.pdf
   b) www.hillsclerk.com/publicweb/forms.aspx#FamilyLaw → then click on "Family Law"

Individual Forms (may not include necessary instructions):

1) For $.10 per page at the Court Business Center (CBC), in Room 630 (6th Floor) of the George Edgecomb Courthouse, 800 E. Twiggs Street, Tampa, Florida.
2) Free online at: www.flcourts.org → then click on "Family Law Forms"

YOU MAY FILE FORMS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

Tampa - George Edgecomb Courthouse – Main Location
Clerk of the Circuit Court, 800 E. Twiggs Street, Room 101, Tampa, FL 33602

Brandon – Brandon Regional Service Center
Clerk of the Circuit Court, 311 Pauls Drive, Suite 110, Brandon, FL 33511

Plant City – Plant City Courthouse
Clerk of the Circuit Court, 301 N. Michigan, Room 1071, Plant City, FL 33563

Ruskin/Sun City – SouthShore Regional Service Center
Clerk of the Circuit Court, 410 30th Street SE, Ruskin, FL 33570

CIRCUITO JUDICIAL NÚMERO TRECE
DIVISIÓN DE DERECHO DE FAMILIA

CONTESTACIÓN A LA SOLICITUD SUPLEMENTARIA PARA LA MODIFICACIÓN DE LA ORDEN DE ALIMENTOS O MODIFICACIÓN DEL PLAN DE CRIANZA /HORARIO DE TIEMPO COMPARTIDO (Paquete #4)

USE ESTE PAQUETE PARA LA CONTESTACIÓN A LA SOLICITUD SUPLEMENTARIA PARA LA MODIFICACIÓN DE LA ORDEN DE ALIMENTOS O DEL TIEMPO COMPARTIDO

Si usted decide representarse a usted mismo (*pro se*) en su caso, usted debe estar consciente de que deberá seguir las mismas reglas establecidas para las personas representadas por abogados. El juez asignado para su caso no necesariamente tendrá que otorgarle lo que usted solicite en un formulario. Es posible que usted no pueda modificar el resultado del caso si no está de acuerdo con este. Si tiene preguntas o inquietudes sobre su caso usted debe consultar un abogado.

Si no conoce a un abogado, puede comunicarse al Servicio de Remisión de Abogados (*Lawyer Referral Service*) al 221-7780. Si usted no tiene dinero para contratar a un abogado, puede solicitar asistencia a Bay Area Legal Services llamando al 232-1343. También puede solicitar información legal en el Centro de Información Legal (*Legal Information Center*) de la Corte George Edgecomb (llame al 864-2280 para horarios e información).

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FORMULARIOS INCLUIDOS EN ESTE PAQUETE	**FORMULARIO #**	**CUÁNDO USARLO**
Información General para Personas que se representan a si mismas	Apéndice C	Únicamente para su información
12 Reglas de Civismo en la Corte	12 Reglas	Necesarias para iniciar un proceso
Declaración de que no se es Abogado	12.900(a)	Necesaria si una persona que no es abogado le ayuda con los formularios
Contestación a la solicitud Suplementaria para la Modificación de la Pensión Alimentaria de Cónyuge	12.903(e)	Necesaria
Affidávit acorde con el *Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act Affidavit* (*UCCJEA*)	12.902 (d)	Necesario si este caso es para la modificación de custodia
Affidávit Financiero - Formulario Corto	12.902(b)	Necesario si sus ingresos son inferiores a $50,000/año
Affidávit Financiero - Formulario Largo	12.902(c)	Necesario si sus ingresos son superiores a $50,000/año
Notificación del Número de Seguro Social	12.902 (j)	Necesaria
Guía de Pensión Alimentaria de Hijos	12.902 (e)	Necesaria
Certificado de Cumplimiento de la Revelación Obligatoria	12.932	Necesario a menos que ambas partes expresen de mutuo acuerdo y por escrito, que renuncian a la Revelación Obligatoria
Moción para el Desvío de la Guía de Pensión Alimentaria de Hijos	12.943	Utilizar si usted desea que la corte ordene mas o menos de lo que indica la hoja de calculo de la Guía.
Plan de Crianza	12.295(a)	Necesario (utilice este formulario si NO le preocupa la seguridad o la supervisión del tiempo compartido)
Plan de Crianza Supervisado u Orientado a la Seguridad	12.295(b)	Necesario (utilice este formulario si SÍ le preocupa la seguridad o la supervisión del tiempo compartido)
Lista de Tarifas para Casos de Derecho de Familia	Tarifas	Lista de Tarifas para Casos relacionados con derecho de familia
Notificación de Información Confidencial contenida en documentos radicados.	2.40(d)(2)	Para alertar al escribano de la corte (*Clerk*) de la existencia de información confidencial.

INSTRUCCIONES PASO A PASO

PRIMER PASO - Completar los formularios para iniciar el proceso y adelantar trámite notarial

1) **LOS FORMULARIOS DEBEN SER COMPLETADOS Y FIRMADOS EN TINTA NEGRA Y LA MAYORÍA DEBE SURTIR TRÁMITE NOTARIAL.** La oficina del escribano (*clerk's office*) adelantará el trámite notarial por una tarifa (ver la lista de cargos anexa). Por favor lleve una identificación válida.
2) **Los nombres deben ser escritos de la misma manera en todos los documentos (no nombres completos en una forma y las iniciales en otra).**
3) **El NÚMERO DE SU CASO Y DIVISIÓN deben estar escritos en todos los documentos.**
4) **Dentro de los 20 días calendario contados a partir de la fecha de notificación, completar los siguientes formularios y adelantar el trámite notarial en aquellos que proveen una línea para la firma del notario:**
   A) 12 Reglas de Civismo en la Corte - (no es necesario surtir trámite notarial)
   B) Contestación a la Petición Suplementaria, Formulario 12.903(c)
   C) Affidávit Financiero:
      -Formulario Corto, Formulario 12.902(b), si sus ingresos son iguales o inferiores a $50,000/año
      ó
      -Formulario Normal, Formulario 12.902(c), si sus ingresos son superiores a $50,000/ año
   D) Notificación del Número de Seguro Social, Formulario 12.902(j)
   E) Declaración conforme al *Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Ac*t (*UCCJEA*), Formulario 12.902(d).
   F) Plan de Crianza:
      -Formulario normal, Formulario 12.995(a), utilice este formulario si NO le preocupa la seguridad o la supervisión del tiempo compartido
      ó
      -Formulario Normal, Formulario 12.995(b), utilice este formulario si SI le preocupa la seguridad o la supervisión del tiempo compartido.
   G) Notificación de Información Confidencial, Formulario 2.40(d)(2)
5) **Dentro de los 45 días calendario contados a partir de la fecha de notificación, completar las siguiente formas y surtir trámite notarial de las que proveen una linea para la firma del notario:**
   A) Guía de Alimentos, Formulario 12.902(e)
   B) Certificado de Cumplimiento de la Revelación Obligatoria, Formulario 12.932

SEGUNDO PASO – Hacer copias

Después de completar las formas, firmarlas y adelantar el trámite notarial, haga por lo menos dos copias de todo lo que haya firmado. Las copias pueden ser obtenidas por una tarifa en el Centro de Negocios de la Corte (Court Business Center), en el sexto piso del la Corte George Edgecomb. También puede pagar $0.15 por página, antes de radicar su caso, en la oficina 101 (Family Law Intake).

TERCER PASO - Radicar su Caso

Lleve el paquete *original* completo junto con los formularios firmados a la oficina del escribano (*clerk*) en el 1er piso de la corte principal. Asegúrese de que el número del caso esté escrito en todos los formularios.

CUARTO PASO - Notificar a la Contraparte

Mande por correo o entregue personalmente una copia del paquete a la contraparte en la dirección establecida en la orden (*summons*).

QUINTO PASO - Revelación Obligatoria

Usted tiene 45 días contados a partir de la fecha en que la contraparte haya sido notificada para enviarle a él o ella todos los documentos financieros requeridos por la Regla de Revelación Obligatoria - *Mandatory Disclosure Rule* - (Florida Family Law Rule of Procedure 12.285). Usted debe enviar copia de estos documentos a la contraparte. **Usted no está obligado a radicarlos en la corte**. La lista de los documentos que está obligado a enviar se encuentra en el Formulario 12.932 - Certificado de Cumplimiento de la Revelación Obligatoria (*Certificate of Compliance with Mandatory Disclosure*).

1) Complete y firme el Certificado de Cumplimiento de la Revelación Obligatoria, Formulario 12.932, indicando qué documentos le está enviado a la contraparte. También indique la fecha en que los está enviando y la forma de envío (por correo, fax y correo, o entrega personal).
2) Haga dos copias de los documentos que enviará a la contraparte y 2 copias del Certificado de Cumplimiento, completo y firmando. Una copia es para su archivo personal.
3) Envíe una copia de los documentos y una copia del Certificado de Cumplimiento a la contraparte.
4) Radique el original del Certificado de Cumplimiento en con el escribano (*clerk*) (no radique las copias de los documentos que usted está enviando a la contraparte).

SEXTO PASO - Mediación

LAS PARTES DEBEN TRATAR DE RESOLVER EN MEDIACIÓN TODOS LOS ASUNTOS POST-JUICIO ANTES DE QUE PUEDA FIJARSE UNA FECHA PARA AUDIENCIA. Llame a la Oficina de *Mediation and Diversion* al 813-272-5642 y solicite que fijen una fecha para la mediación. Si la contraparte no se pone en contacto con el departamento de mediación o los asuntos no pueden ser resueltos en mediación, una audiencia para su petición será fijada.

SEPTIMO PASO - Preparar su caso / reunir la evidencia (si usted y la contraparte no llegan a un acuerdo y su caso es cuestionado).

Si usted está cuestionando asuntos en su caso, usted deberá estar preparado para presentar evidencia que apoye su posición ante el juez. El proceso de reunir la evidencia se llama "descubrimiento" Discovery . El Descubrimiento está gobernado por el *Florida Family Rules of Procedure* 12.280 - 12.410 y las *Florida Rules of Civil Procedure* 1.280 - 1.410. Algunos métodos de descubrimiento son:

1. Interrogatorios - Preguntas escritas que se envían a la contraparte. Ver formularios 12.930 (a), *Notice of Service of Standard Family Law Interrogatories,* y 12.930(b), *Standards Family Law Interrogatories for Original Proceedings*, y sus instrucciones.
2. Notificación de Producción a un tercero / Comparendo (*Notice of Production from Non- Party/Subpoena*) - es la solicitud a alguien que no es parte del proceso (no la contraparte) para que le entregue copias de los documentos o para que le preste los documentos para que usted los copie. Vea formularios 12.931(a), *Notice of Production from Non-Party*, y 12.931 (b), *Subpoena for Production of Documents*, y sus instrucciones.
3. Testimonio: tomar el testimonio de alguien (parte o no parte) bajo juramento ante un reportero de la corte.

4. Solicitud para la Producción de Documentos y Cosas (*Request for Production of Documents and Things*). Es una solicitud escrita para que la contraparte le entregue documentos específicos o cosas para copiar o examinar. Ver *Florida Rule of Civil Procedure*, 1.350.

El juez no puede tener en cuenta toda la evidencia. Las pruebas deben estar conforme a las Reglas de Evidencia del Capítulo 90 de las Leyes de Florida para ser admisibles en corte. El deber de establecer los hechos que quiere presentar en la corte, o la carga de la prueba, recae en USTED. Usted es responsable de presentar al juez evidencia admisible para apoyar las solicitudes de su demanda y sus afirmaciones en la corte.

OCTAVO PASO – Programar la Audiencia Final

Usted será notificado por correo de la fecha de la audiencia final una vez esta sea fijada.

REPORTERO DE LA CORTE?

Si desea contar con un reportero de la corte durante la audiencia, usted debe hacer los arreglos pertinentes con anterioridad y pagar a la corte los honorarios del reportero. Si no hay registro de la audiencia y el juez falla en contra suya es posible que usted no pueda apelar la decisión.

NOVENO PASO – La audiencia final

Normalmente en la audiencia final es cuando se considerará la demanda (y la contrademanda, si alguna se radicó) y se decidirán todos los asuntos.

CÓMO VESTIRSE - Vístase apropiadamente. No use pantalones cortos (*shorts*), camisetas sin mangas (*tank tops*) o sandalias. No mastique chicle.

QUÉ TRAER - Toda la evidencia que usted quiere que la corte tenga en cuenta para la decisión de su caso si su caso es cuestionado.

QUE ESPERAR

La audiencia tendrá lugar en una sala de audiencia o sala de la corte. Usted no estará frente a un jurado, solamente frente a un magistrado general juez. No interrumpa al juez o magistrado cuando el o ella hable. Cuando se dirija al magistrado o al juez, llámelo/a "Honorable" ("Your Honor") o "Juez" ("Judge").

Cada corte tiene por lo menos un alguacil que es un ayudante de sheriff y se encuentra allí para mantener el orden. Cuando usted llegue para la audiencia deje que el alguacil sepa que usted está presente y listo. El o ella anunciará su caso cuando llegue el momento de su audiencia y le informará donde sentarse y en donde acomodar sus pertenencias cuando entre a la sala de audiencias. Por lo general un alguacil permanecerá dentro de la sala durante su audiencia. Si se llaman testigos, el alguacil saldrá a buscarlos para traerlos a la sala de audiencia.

Durante su audiencia, esté preparado para discutir cualquiera de los asuntos de que trate la petición (y contra-petición si se radicó alguna) y esté listo para presentar pruebas de cualquiera de los hechos por medio de evidencias. Evidencias son pruebas presentadas durante una audiencia bajo la forma de testigos (personas), documentos (papeles), u objetos (cosas). Sin embargo, el juez no puede tener en cuenta toda la evidencia. Las pruebas deben estar conforme a las Reglas de Evidencia del Capítulo 90 de las Leyes de Florida para ser admisibles en corte. Recuerde que USTED tiene el deber de establecer los hechos que quiere presentar ante la corte. Usted debe presentarle al juez evidencia admisible como soporte de las reclamaciones en su petición y de sus afirmaciones en la corte. Contar su historia, simplemente, puede no ser suficiente para ganar su caso.

Una vez que ambas partes han presentado su evidencia, el magistrado general o juez tomará una decisión y se preparará una orden. La orden contendrá todos los detalles de la decisión de la corte. Usted recibirá una copia

de la orden por correo. La orden origina regresará a la oficina del escribano (*clerk*) para ser radicada en su archivo judicial.

Formularios y Paquetes de Familia - disponibles para compra en el Court Business Center

Paquetes de Formularios con Instrucciones:

1) Paquetes completos con todos los formularios e instrucciones de auto-ayuda se encuentran disponibles para compra, a precios individuales, en el Court Business Center (CBC), Oficina 630 (Piso 6°) de la corte George Edgecomb, 800 E. Twiggs Street, Tampa, Florida.
2) Gratis en línea en:
   a) www.fljud13.org/Portals/0/Forms/pdfs/family/packetList.pdf
   b) www.hillsclerk.com/publicweb/forms.aspx#FamilyLaw → y luego clic en "Family Law"

Formularios Individuales (no siempre incluyen las instrucciones necesarias):

1) A 10 centavos por página en el Court Business Center (CBC), Oficina 630 (Piso 6°) de la corte George Edgecomb, 800 E. Twiggs Street, Tampa, Florida.
2) Gratis en línea en: www.flcourts.org → y luego clic en "Family Law Forms"

USTED PUEDE COMPRAR Y RADICAR LOS FORMULARIOS EN LAS SIGUIENTES LOCALIDADES:

Tampa - George Edgecomb Courthouse – Main Location
Clerk of the Circuit Court, 800 E. Twiggs Street, Room 101, Tampa, FL 33602
Brandon – Brandon Regional Service Center
Clerk of the Circuit Court, 311 Pauls Drive, Suite 110, Brandon, FL 33511
Plant City – Plant City Courthouse
Clerk of the Circuit Court, 301 N. Michigan, Room 1071, Plant City, FL 33563
Ruskin/Sun City – SouthShore Regional Service Center
Clerk of the Circuit Court, 410 30th Street SE, Ruskin, FL 33570

FAMILY LAW FORMS, COMMENTARY, AND INSTRUCTIONS
GENERAL INFORMATION FOR SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANTS
(12/10)

You should read this General Information thoroughly before taking any other steps to file your case or represent yourself in court. Most of this information is **not** repeated in the attached forms. This information should provide you with an overview of the court system, its participants, and its processes. It should be useful whether you want to represent yourself in a pending matter or have a better understanding of the way family court works. **This is not intended as a substitute for legal advice from an attorney. Each case has its own particular set of circumstances, and an attorney may advise you of what is best for you in your individual situation.**

These instructions are not the only place that you can get information about how a family case works. You may want to look at other books for more help. The Florida Statutes, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, and other legal information or books may be found at the public library or in a law library at your county courthouse or a law school in your area. If you are filing a petition for **Name Change** and/or **Adoption**, these instructions may not apply.

If the word(s) is printed in **bold**, this means that the word is being emphasized. Throughout these instructions, you will also find words printed in **bold** and **underlined**. This means that the definitions of these words may be found in the glossary of common family law terms at the end of this general information section.

Commentary

1995 Adoption. To help the many people in family law court cases who do not have attorneys to represent them (pro se litigants), the Florida Supreme Court added these simplified forms and directions to the Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure. The directions refer to the Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure or the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure. Many of the forms were adapted from the forms accompanying the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure. Practitioners should refer to the committee notes for those forms for rule history.

The forms were adopted by the Court pursuant to *Family Law Rules of Procedure,* 667 So. 2d 202 (Fla. 1995); *In re Petition for Approval of Forms Pursuant to Rule 10-1.1(b) of the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar—Stepparent Adoption Forms*, 613 So. 2d 900 (Fla. 1992); *Rules Regulating the Florida Bar—Approval of Forms*, 581 So. 2d 902 (Fla. 1991).

Although the forms are part of these rules, they are not all inclusive and additional forms, as necessary, should be taken from the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure as provided in Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure. Also, the following notice has been included to strongly encourage individuals to seek the advice, when needed, of an attorney who is a member in good standing of the Florida Bar.

1997 Amendment. In 1997, the Florida Family Law Forms were completely revised to simplify and correct the forms. Additionally, the appendices were eliminated, the instructions contained in the appendices were incorporated into the forms, and the introduction following the Notice to Parties was created. Minor changes were also made to the Notice to Parties set forth below.

NOTICE TO PARTIES WHO ARE NOT REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY WHO IS A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING OF THE FLORIDA BAR

If you have questions or concerns about these forms, instructions, commentary, the use of the forms, or your legal rights, it is strongly recommended that you talk to an attorney. If you do not know an attorney, you should call the lawyer referral service listed in the yellow pages of the telephone book under "Attorney." If you do not have the money to hire an attorney, you should call the legal aid office in your area.

Because the law does change, the forms and information about them may have become outdated. You should be aware that changes may have taken place in the law or court rules that would affect the accuracy of the forms or instructions.

In no event will the Florida Supreme Court, The Florida Bar, or anyone contributing to the production of these forms or instructions be liable for any direct, indirect, or consequential damages resulting from their use.

FAMILY LAW PROCEDURES

Communication with the court **Ex parte** communication is communication with the judge with only one party present. Judges are not allowed to engage in ex parte communication except in very limited circumstances, so, absent specific authorization to the contrary, you should not try to speak with or write to the judge in your case unless the other **party** is present or has been properly notified. **If you have something you need to tell the judge, you must ask for a hearing and give notice to the other party or file a written statement in the court file and send a copy of the written statement to the other party.**

Filing a case. A case begins with the filing of a **petition**. A petition is a written request to the court for some type of legal action. The person who originally asks for legal action is called the **petitioner** and remains the petitioner throughout the case.

A petition is given to the **clerk of the circuit court**, whose office is usually located in the county courthouse or a branch of the county courthouse. A case number is assigned and an official court file is opened. Delivering the petition to the clerk's office is called **filing** a case. A **filing fee** is usually required.

Once a case has been filed, a copy must be given to (served on) the respondent. The person against whom the original legal action is being requested is called the **respondent**, because he or she is expected to respond to the petition. The respondent remains the respondent throughout the case.

Service. When one party files a **petition**, **motion**, or other **pleading**, the other party must be "served" with a copy of the document. This means that the other party is given proper notice of the pending action(s) and any scheduled hearings. **Personal service** of the petition and summons on the respondent by a deputy sheriff or private process server is required in all **original petitions** and **supplemental petitions**, unless **constructive service** is permitted by law. Personal service may also be required in other actions by some judges. After initial service of the original or supplemental petition and summons by a deputy sheriff or private process server, service of most motions and other documents or papers filed in the case generally may be made by regular U.S. mail or hand delivery. However, service by

certified mail is required at other times so you have proof that the other party actually received the papers. The instructions with each form will advise you of the type of **service** required for that form. **If the other party is represented by an attorney, you should serve the attorney and send a copy to the other party, except for original or supplemental petitions, which must be personally served on the respondent.**

Other than the initial original or supplemental petitions, anytime you file additional pleadings or motions in your case, you must provide a copy to the other party and include a **certificate of service**. Likewise, the other party must provide you with copies of everything that he or she files. Service of additional documents is usually completed by U.S. mail. For more information, see the instructions for **Certificate of Service (General)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.914.

Forms for service of process are included in the Florida Family Law Forms, along with more detailed instructions and information regarding service. The instructions to those forms should be read carefully to ensure that you have the other party properly served. **If proper service is not obtained, the court cannot hear your case.**

Note: If you absolutely do not know where the other party to your case lives or if the other party resides in another state, you may be able to use **constructive service**. However, if constructive service is used, other than granting a divorce, the court may only grant limited relief. For more information on constructive service, see **Notice of Action for Dissolution of Marriage**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.913(a), and **Affidavit of Diligent Search and Inquiry**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.913(b). Additionally, if the other party is in the military service of the United States, additional steps for service may be required. See, for example, **Memorandum for Certificate of Military Service**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.912(a). In sum, the law regarding constructive service and service on an individual in the military service is very complex and you may wish to consult an attorney regarding these issues.

Default... After being served with a petition or **counterpetition**, the other party has 20 days to file a response. If a response to a petition is not filed, the petitioner may file a **Motion for Default**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.922(a), with the clerk. This means that you may proceed with your case and set a **final hearing**, and a **judge** will make a decision, even if the other party will not cooperate. For more information, see rule 12.080(c), Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure.

Answer and Counterpetition... After being served, the respondent has 20 days to file an answer admitting or denying each of the allegations contained in the petition. In addition to an answer, the respondent may also file a counterpetition. In a counterpetition, the respondent may request the same or some other relief or action not requested by the petitioner. If the respondent files a counterpetition, the petitioner should then file an **Answer to Counterpetition**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.903(d), and either admit or deny the allegations in the respondent's counterpetition.

Mandatory disclosure... Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires each party in a **dissolution of marriage** to exchange certain information and documents, and file a **Family Law Financial Affidavit**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) or (c). Failure to make this required disclosure within the time required by the Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure may allow the court to dismiss the case or to refuse to consider the pleadings of the party failing to comply. This requirement also must be met in other family law cases, **except** adoptions, simplified dissolutions of marriage, enforcement proceedings, contempt proceedings, and proceedings for injunctions for domestic or repeat violence. The **Certificate of Compliance with Mandatory Disclosure**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.932, lists the documents that must be given to the other party. For more information see rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, and the instructions to the

Certificate of Compliance with Mandatory Disclosure, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.932.

Parenting Plan. If your case involves minor or dependent child(ren), a **Parenting Plan** shall be approved or established by the court. **Parenting Plan**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form, 12.995(a) or **Safety-Focused Parenting Plan**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.995(b). The Parenting Plan shall be developed and agreed to by the parents and approved by a court **. If the parents cannot agree, or if the agreed Parenting Plan is not approved, the court must establish a Parenting Plan .** The Parenting Plan shall contain a time-sharing schedule and should address the issues regarding the child(ren)'s education, health care, and physical, social, and emotional well-being.

Setting a hearing or trial. Generally, the court will have hearings on motions, final hearings on **uncontested** or **default** cases, and trials on contested cases. Before setting your case for **final hearing** or trial, certain requirements such as completing mandatory disclosure and filing certain papers and having them served on the other party must be met. These requirements vary depending on the type of case and the procedures in your particular jurisdiction. For further information, you should refer to the instructions for the type of form you are filing.

Next, you must obtain a hearing or trial date so that the court may consider your request. You should ask the clerk of court, or **family law intake staff** about the local procedure for setting a hearing or trial, which you should attend. These family law forms contain **orders** and **final judgments**, which the judge may use. You should ask the clerk of court or family law intake staff if you need to bring one of these forms with you to the hearing or trial. If so, you should type or print the heading, including the circuit, county, case number, division, and the parties' names, and leave the rest blank for the judge to complete at your hearing or trial.

Below are explanations of symbols or parts of different family law forms...

{specify}, {date}, {name(s)}, {street}, {city}, {state}, {phone}

Throughout these forms, you will find hints such as those above. These tell you what to put in the blank(s).

[**one** only] [**all** that apply]

These show how many choices you should check. Sometimes you may check only one, while other times you may check several choices. ( ) This also shows an area where you must make a choice. Check the ( ) in front of the choice that applies to you or your case.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE _____(1)_____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR _____(2)_____ COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____(3)_____
Division: _____(4)_____

_____(5)_____ ,
Petitioner,
and

_____(6)_____,
Respondent.

Line 1 The clerk of court can tell you the number of your judicial circuit. Type or print it here.

Line 2 Type or print your county name on line (2).

Line 3 If you are filing an initial petition or pleading, the Clerk of the Court will assign a case number after the case is filed. You should type or print this case number on all papers you file in this case.

Line 4 The clerk of the court can tell you the name of the division in which your case is being filed, and you should type or print it here. Divisions vary from court to court. For example, your case may be filed in the civil division, the family division, or the juvenile division.

Line 5 Type or print the legal name of the person who originally filed the case on line 5. This person is the petitioner because he/she is the one who filed the original petition.

Line 6 Type or print the other party's legal name on line 6. The other party is the respondent because he/she is responding to the petition.

I understand that I am swearing or affirming under oath to the truthfulness of the claims made in this petition and that the punishment for knowingly making a false statement includes fines and/or imprisonment.

Dated: _____(1)_____

_____(2)_____
Signature of Petitioner
Printed Name: _____(3)_____
Address: _____(4)_____
City, State, Zip: _____(5)_____
Telephone Number: _____(6)_____
Fax Number: _____(7)_____

Some forms require that your signature be witnessed. You must sign the form in the presence of a **notary public** or deputy clerk (employee of the clerk of the court's office). When signing the form, you must have a valid photo identification unless the notary knows you personally. You should completely fill in all lines (1 & 3–7) except 2 with the requested information, if applicable. **Line 2, the signature line, must be signed in the presence of the notary public or deputy clerk.**

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

_____
[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.]

___ Personally known
___ Produced identification
Type of identification produced _____

DO NOT SIGN OR FILL IN THIS PART OF ANY FORM. This section of the form is to be completed by the notary public who is witnessing your signature.

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW: [fill in **all** blanks]
I, *{full legal name and trade name of nonlawyer}* _____
a nonlawyer, located at *{street}* _____(2)_____, *{city}*_____
{state} _____(4)_____, *{phone}* _____(5)_____, helped *{name}* _____(6)_____,
who is the petitioner, fill out this form.

This section should be completed by anyone who helps you fill out these forms but is **not** an attorney who is a member in good standing of The Florida Bar, which means that he or she is not licensed to practice law in Florida.

Line 1 The **nonlawyer** who helps you should type or print his or her name on line 1.
Lines 2–5 The nonlawyer's address and telephone number should be typed or printed on lines 2–5.
Line 6 Your name should be typed or printed on line 6.

In addition, a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900 (a), should be completed if a nonlawyer assists you. The disclosure is available as a family law form and should be completed before the nonlawyer helps you. This is to be sure that you understand the role and limitations of a nonlawyer. You and the nonlawyer should keep a copy of this disclosure for your records.

FAMILY LAW GLOSSARY OF COMMON TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

Note: The following definitions are intended to be helpful, BUT they are not intended to constitute legal advice or address every possible meaning of the term(s) contained in this glossary.

Affidavit - a written statement in which the facts stated are sworn or affirmed to be true.

Answer - written response by a respondent that states whether he or she admits (agrees with) or denies (disagrees with) the allegations in the petition. Any allegations not specifically denied are considered to be admitted.

Appeal - asking a district court of appeal to review the decision in your case. There are strict procedural and time requirements for filing an appeal.

Asset - everything owned by you or your spouse, including property, cars, furniture, bank accounts, jewelry, life insurance policies, businesses, or retirement plans. An asset may be marital or nonmarital, but that distinction is for the court to determine if you and your spouse do not agree.

Attorney - a person with special education and training in the field of law who is a member in good standing of The Florida Bar and licensed to practice law in Florida. An attorney is the only person who is allowed to give you legal advice. An attorney may file your case and represent you in court, or just advise you of your rights before you file your own case. In addition to advising you of your rights, an attorney may tell you what to expect and help prepare you for court. In family law matters, you are not entitled to a court-appointed lawyer, like a public defender in a criminal case. However, legal assistance is often available for those who are unable to hire a private attorney. You may consult the yellow pages of the telephone directory for a listing of legal aid or lawyer referral services in your area, or ask your local clerk of court or family law intake staff what services are available in your area. You may also obtain information from the Florida Supreme Court's Internet site located at http://www.flcourts.org.

Bond - money paid to the clerk of court by one party in a case, to be held and paid to an enjoined party in the event that the first party causes loss or damage of property as a result of wrongfully enjoining the other party.

Central Governmental Depository - the office of the clerk of court that is responsible for collecting and disbursing court-ordered alimony and child support payments. The depository also keeps payment records and files judgments if support is not paid.

Certificate of Service - a document that must be filed whenever a form you are using does not contain a statement for you to fill in showing to whom you are sending copies of the form. Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.914 is the certificate of service form and contains additional instructions.

Certified Copy - a copy of an order or final judgment, certified by the clerk of the circuit court to be an authentic copy.

Certified Mail - mail which requires the receiving party to sign as proof that they received it.

Child Support - money paid from one parent to the other for the benefit of their dependent or minor child(ren).

Clerk of the Circuit Court - elected official in whose office papers are filed, a case number is assigned, and case files are maintained. The clerk's office usually is located in the county courthouse.

Constructive Service - notification of the other party by newspaper publication or posting of notice at designated places when the other party cannot be located for personal service. You may also be able to use constructive service when the other party lives in another state. Constructive service is also called "service by publication." However, when constructive service is used, the relief the Court may grant is limited. For more information on service, see the instructions for Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Forms 12.910(a) and 12.913(b) and Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.913(a).

Contested Issues - any or all issues upon which the parties are unable to agree and which must be resolved by the judge at a hearing or trial.

Contingent Asset - an asset that you **may** receive or get later, such as income, tax refund, accrued vacation or sick leave, a bonus, or an inheritance.

Contingent Liability - a liability that you **may** owe later, such as payments for lawsuits, unpaid taxes, or debts that you have agreed or guaranteed to pay if someone else does not.

Counterpetition - a written request to the court for legal action, which is filed by a respondent after being served with a petition.

Custody Order – a judgment or order incorporating a Parenting Plan is a child custody determination for the purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, the International Child Abduction Remedies Act, 42 U.S.C. ss. 11601 et seq., the Parental Kidnapping Prevention Act, and the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction enacted at the Hague on October 25, 1980.

Default - a failure of a party to respond to the pleading of another party. This failure to respond may allow the court to decide the case without input from the party who did not appear or respond.

Delinquent - late.

Dependent Child(ren) - child(ren) who depend on their parent(s) for support either because they are under the age of 18, they have a mental or physical disability that prevents them from supporting themselves, or they are in high school while between the ages of 18 and 19 and are performing in good faith with reasonable expectation of graduation before the age of 19.

Deputy Clerk - an employee of the office of the clerk of court, which is usually located in the county courthouse or a branch of the county courthouse.

Dissolution of Marriage - divorce; a court action to end a marriage.

Electronic Communication – Contact, other than face-to-face contact, facilitated by tools such as telephones, electronic mail or e-mail, webcams, video-conferencing equipment and software or other wired or wireless technologies, or other means of communication to supplement fact-to face contact between a parent and that parent's minor child.

Enjoined - prohibited by the court from doing a specific act.

Ex Parte - communication with the judge by only one party. In order for a judge to speak with either party, the other party must have been properly notified and have an opportunity to be heard. If you have something you wish to tell the judge, you should ask for a hearing or file information in the clerk of court's office, with certification that a copy was sent to the other party.

Family Law Intake Staff - a court's employee(s) who is (are) available to assist you in filing a family law case. Family law intake staff are not attorneys and cannot give legal advice. They may only assist you with filling out the form(s). Your local clerk's office can tell you if your county has such assistance available.

Filing - delivering a petition, response, motion, or other pleading in a court case to the clerk of court's office.

Filing Fee - an amount of money, set by law, that the petitioner must pay when filing a case. If you cannot afford to pay the fee, you must file an **Application for Determination of Civil Indigent Status**, to ask the clerk to file your case without payment of the fee. This form can be obtained from the clerk's office.

Final Hearing - trial in your case.

Financial Affidavit - a sworn statement that contains information regarding your income, expenses, assets, and liabilities.

Final Judgment - a written document signed by a judge and recorded in the clerk of the circuit court's office that contains the judge's decision in your case.

Guardian ad Litem - a neutral person who may be appointed by the court to evaluate or investigate your child's situation, and file a report with the court about what is in the best interests of your child(ren). Guardians do not "work for" either party. The guardian may interview the parties, visit their homes, visit the child(ren)'s school(s) and speak with teachers, or use other resources to make their recommendation.

Hearing - a legal proceeding before a judge or designated officer (general magistrate or hearing officer) on a motion.

Health Insurance-coverage under a fee-for-service arrangement, health care maintenance organization, or preferred provider organization, and other types of coverage available to either parent, under which medical services could be provided to a minor or dependent child.

Judge - an elected official who is responsible for deciding matters on which you and the other parties in your case are unable to agree. A judge is a neutral person who is responsible for ensuring that your case is resolved in a manner which is fair, equitable, and legal. **A judge is prohibited by law from giving you or the other party any legal advice, recommendations, or other assistance, and may not talk to either party unless both parties are present, represented, or at a properly scheduled hearing.**

Judicial Assistant - the judge's personal staff assistant.

Liabilities - everything owed by you or your spouse, including mortgages, credit cards, or car loans. A liability may be marital or nonmarital, but that distinction is for the court to determine if you and your spouse do not agree.

Lump Sum Alimony - money ordered to be paid by one spouse to another in a limited number of payments, often a single payment.

Mandatory Disclosure - items that must be disclosed by both parties except those exempted from disclosure by Florida Family Law Rule 12.285.

Marital Asset - generally, anything that you and/or your spouse acquired or received (by gift or purchase) during the marriage. For example, something you owned before your marriage **may** be nonmarital. An asset may only be determined to be marital by agreement of the parties or determination of the judge.

Marital Liability - generally, any debt that you and/or your spouse incurred during the marriage. A debt may only be determined to be nonmarital by agreement of the parties or determination of the judge.

Mediator - a person who is trained and certified to assist parties in reaching an agreement before going to court. Mediators do not take either party's side and are not allowed to give legal advice. They are only responsible for helping the parties reach an agreement and putting that agreement into writing. In some areas, mediation of certain family law cases may be required before going to court.

Modification - a change made by the court in an order or final judgment.

Motion - a request made to the court, other than a petition.

No Contact - a court order directing a party not speak to, call, send mail to, visit, or go near his or her spouse, ex-spouse, child(ren), or other family member.

Nonlawyer - a person who is not a member in good standing of The Florida Bar.

Nonmarital Asset - generally, anything owned separately by you or your spouse. An asset may only be determined to be nonmarital by either agreement of the parties or determination of the judge.

Nonmarital Liability - generally, any debt that you or your spouse incurred before your marriage or since your separation. A debt may only be determined to be nonmarital by either agreement of the parties or determination of the judge.

Nonparty - a person who is not the petitioner or respondent in a court case.

Notary Public - a person authorized to witness signatures on court related forms.

Obligee - a person to whom money, such as child support or alimony, is owed.

Obligor - a person who is ordered by the court to pay money, such as child support or alimony.

Order - a written decision signed by a judge and filed in the clerk of the circuit court's office, that contains the judge's decision on part of your case, usually on a motion.

Original Petition - see **Petition**.

Parenting Course - a class that teaches parents how to help their child(ren) cope with divorce and other family issues.

Parenting Plan – a document created to govern the relationship between the parents relating to the decisions that must be made regarding the minor child(ren). The Parenting Plan must contain a time-sharing schedule for the parents and child(ren) and shall address the issues concerning the minor child(ren). The issues concerning the minor child(ren) may include, but are not limited to, the child(ren)'s education, health care, physical, social, and emotional well-being. In creating the Plan, all circumstances between the parents, including their historic relationship, domestic violence, and other factors must be taken into consideration. The Parenting Plan must be developed and agreed to by the parents and approved by the court. If the parents cannot agree to a Parenting Plan, or if the parents agreed to a plan that is not approved by the court, a parenting plan will be established by the court with or without the use of **parenting plan recommendations.**

Parenting Plan Recommendation – A nonbinding recommendation concerning one or more elements of a parenting plan made by a court-appointed mental health practitioner or other professional designated pursuant to either section 61.20 or 61.401, Florida Statutes, or Florida Family Law Rule of Procedure 12.363.

Party - a person involved in a court case, either as a petitioner or respondent.

Paternity Action - A lawsuit used to determine whether a designated individual is the father of a specific child or children.

Payor - an employer or other person who provides income to an obligor.

Permanent Alimony - spousal support ordered to be paid at a specified, periodic rate until modified by a court order, the death of either party, or the remarriage of the Obligee, whichever occurs first.

Personal Service - when a summons and a copy of a petition (or other pleading) that has been filed with the court are delivered by a deputy sheriff or private process server to the other party. Personal service is required for all petitions and supplemental petitions.

Petition - a written request to the court for legal action, which begins a court case.

Petitioner - the person who files a petition that begins a court case.

Pleading - a formal written statement of exactly what a party wants the court to do in a lawsuit or court action.

Pro Se Litigant - a person who appears in court without the assistance of a lawyer.

Pro Se Coordinator - see **Family Law Intake Staff**.

Rehabilitative Alimony - spousal support ordered to be paid for a limited period of time to allow one of the parties an opportunity to complete a plan of education or training, according to a rehabilitative plan accepted by the court, so that he or she may better support himself or herself.

Respondent - the person who is served with a petition requesting some legal action against him or her.

Scientific Paternity Testing - a medical test to determine who is the father of a child.

Service - the delivery of legal documents to a party. This must be accomplished as directed by Florida Family Law Rules 12.070 and 12.080.

Shared Parental Responsibility - an arrangement under which both parents have full parental rights and responsibilities for their child(ren), and the parents make major decisions affecting the welfare of the child(ren) jointly. Shared Parental Responsibility is presumptive in Florida.

Sole Parental Responsibility - a parenting arrangement under which the responsibility for the minor child(ren) is given to one parent by the court, with or without rights of time-sharing to the other parent.

Supervised Time-Sharing- a parenting arrangement under which time-sharing between a parent and his or her child(ren) is supervised by either a friend, family member, or a supervised visitation center.

Supplemental Petition - a petition that may be filed by either party after the judge has made a decision in a case and a final judgment or order has been entered. For example, a supplemental petition may be used to request that the court modify the previously entered final judgment or order.

Time-Sharing Schedule – a timetable that must be included in the Parenting Plan that specifies the time, including overnights and holidays, that a minor child or children will spend with each parent. The time-sharing schedule shall either be developed and agreed to by the parents of a minor child or children and i approved by the court, or established by the court if the parents cannot agree, or if their agreed-upon schedule is not approved by the court.

Trial - the final hearing in a contested case.

Uncontested - any and all issues on which the parties are able to agree and which are part of a marital settlement agreement.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____
Division _____

_____,
Petitioner,

and

_____,
Respondent.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY FAMILY LAW DIVISION
THE TWELVE RULES OF COURTROOM CIVILITY

The judges, general masters and hearing officers assigned to the Family Law Division in Hillsborough County expect that all litigants, whether or not they are represented by attorneys, will conduct themselves in an appropriate fashion so that all parties will be afforded a fair opportunity to present their case.

The following guidelines are meant to assist you in meeting appropriate standards of conduct when you appear in court.

1. Be truthful in all statements that you make to the court. False statements under oath constitute perjury which is a criminal offense.

2. Do not call or write to the judge. As a general rule, documents and testimony can be read or heard by the judge only in the presence of both parties.

3. Be courteous. Other than to make appropriate objections, do not interrupt anyone who is speaking. If you are representing yourself and you have an objection to something a witness says, merely say, "Objection" and the court will allow you to state the nature of your objection.

4. Treat all court personnel with respect, including bailiffs, judicial assistants, clerks, court investigators, judges, general masters and hearing officers.

5. Do not make faces or gestures at the opposing party, his or her attorney, witnesses or the judge while in the courtroom. Speak directly to the judge or your attorney, not the opposing party or a witness. You will be given an opportunity to be heard by the court.

6. Show your respect for the court by dressing appropriately and wearing clean clothes. Coats, ties, suits and dresses are welcome but not required. Shorts, blue jeans, t-shirts and sneakers are not appropriate.

7. Do not bring any food or beverage into the courtroom and do not chew gum or eat candy in the courtroom.

8. Do not bring children to the courthouse (except in adoption cases), unless the court has so ordered.

9. Be aware that witnesses you bring to court are not usually permitted to remain in the courtroom while you, your spouse or former spouse, or other witnesses testify.

10. Bring at least four (4) copies of any documents that you intend to offer into evidence.

11. All documents should be pre-marked with a case number, name, the date and a space for the judge to admit the document into evidence.

12. The courthouse is located in a congested area. Parking is limited and takes time. Plan your time so you can park and be available at least fifteen (15) minutes before the hearing is scheduled to begin.

I have read and acknowledge my responsibilities as a litigant.

_____ _____
Signature of Petitioner Date

_____ _____
Signature of Respondent Date

I have read and reviewed with my client his or her responsibilities as a litigant.

_____ _____
Signature of Attorney Date

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA FAMILY LAW RULES OF PROCEDURE FORM 12.900(a), DISCLOSURE FROM NONLAWYER

When should this form be used?

This form must be used when anyone who is **not** a lawyer in good standing with The Florida Bar helps you complete any Florida Family Law Form. Attorneys who are licensed to practice in other states but not Florida, or who have been disbarred or suspended from the practice of law in Florida, are nonlawyers for the purposes of the Florida Family Law Forms and instructions.

The nonlawyer must complete this form and both of you are to sign it before the nonlawyer assists you in completing any Family Law Form.

In addition, on any other form with which a nonlawyer helps you, the nonlawyer shall complete the nonlawyer section located at the bottom of the form unless otherwise specified in the instructions to the form. This is to protect you and be sure that you are informed in advance of the nonlawyer's limitations.

What should I do next?

A copy of this disclosure, signed by both the nonlawyer and the person, must be given to the person and the nonlawyer must keep a copy in the person's file. The nonlawyer must keep copies for at least six years of all forms given to the person being assisted.

Special notes…

This disclosure form does NOT act as or constitute a waiver, disclaimer, or limitation of liability.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____
Division: _____

_____,
Petitioner,

and

_____,
Respondent.

DISCLOSURE FROM NONLAWYER

*{Name}*_____, told me that he/she is a nonlawyer and may not give legal advice, cannot tell me what my rights or remedies are, cannot tell me how to testify in court, and cannot represent me in court.

Rule 10-2.1(b) of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar defines a paralegal as a person who works under the supervision of a member of The Florida Bar and who performs specifically delegated substantive legal work for which a member of The Florida Bar is responsible. Only persons who meet the definition may call themselves paralegals. *{Name}*_____, informed me that he/she is not a paralegal and cannot call himself/herself a paralegal.

*{Name}*_____, told me that he/she may only type the factual information provided by me in writing into the blanks on the form. *{Name}*_____, may not help me fill in the form and may not complete the form for me. If using a form approved by the Supreme Court of Florida, *{name}*_____, may ask me factual questions to fill in the blanks on the form and may also tell me how to file the form.

[√ **one** only]
___ I can read English.
___ I cannot read English, but this disclosure was read to me [fill in **both** blanks] by *{name}* _____ in *{language}* _____, which I understand.

Dated: _____

_____
Signature of Party

_____
Signature of **NONLAWYER**
Printed Name: _____
Name of Business: _____
Address: _____
_____
Telephone Number: _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW FORM 12.903(e), ANSWER TO SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION (12/10)

When should this form be used?

This form should be used when you are responding to a **supplemental petition** for modification of Parenting Plan, time-sharing schedule, child support, or alimony. This form is used to admit or deny all of the allegations in the supplemental petition if you do not plan to file a **counterpetition**. There is no form for a counterpetition to a supplemental petition in these Family Law Forms. If you want to file a counterpetition to a supplemental petition you will need to either seek legal assistance or create a form yourself. You may construct an answer and counterpetition using the pertinent sections contained in the **Answer to Petition and Counterpetition for Dissolution of Marriage with Dependent or Minor Child(ren)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.903(c)(1), or **Answer to Petition and Counterpetition for Dissolution of Marriage with Property but No Dependent or Minor Child(ren)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.903(c)(2).

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. After completing this form, you should sign the form before a **notary public** or **deputy clerk**. You should **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where the case was filed and keep a copy for your records. This must be done within 20 days of receiving the supplemental petition.

What should I do next?

A copy of this form, along with all of the other forms required with this **answer**, must be mailed or hand delivered to the other party in your case. Regardless of whether you file a counterpetition, you have 20 days to answer after being served with the other **party**'s supplemental petition. After you file your answer, the case will generally proceed in one of the following two ways:

UNCONTESTED... If you file an answer that agrees with everything in the other party's supplemental petition **and** you have complied with **mandatory disclosure** and filed all of the required papers, either party may call the clerk, **family law intake staff**, or **judicial assistant** to set a **final hearing**. If you request the hearing, you must notify the other party of the hearing by using a **Notice of Hearing (General)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.923, or other appropriate notice of hearing form.

CONTESTED... If you file an answer which disagrees with or denies anything in the supplemental petition, **and** you are unable to settle the disputed issues, either party may file a **Notice for Trial**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.924, after you have complied with mandatory disclosure and filed all of the required papers. Some circuits may require the completion of **mediation** before a final hearing may be set. If you request the hearing, you should contact the clerk, family law intake staff, or judicial assistant for instructions on how to set your case for trial (final hearing).

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read "General Information for Self-Represented Litigants" found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **"bold underline"** in these instructions are defined there. See chapter 61, Florida Statutes, for more information.

Special notes…

With this form, you must also file the following:

- **Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act (UCCJEA) Affidavit**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(d), if the case involves child(ren).
- **Child Support Guidelines Worksheet**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(e), if child support is an issue. (If you do not know the other party=s income, you may file this worksheet after his or her financial affidavit has been served on you.)
- **Settlement Agreement**, if you have reached an agreement on any or all of the issues. Although there is no form for this in these Florida Family Law Forms, you may construct a settlement agreement using the pertinent sections contained in **Marital Settlement Agreement for Dissolution of Marriage with Dependent or Minor Child(ren)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(f)(1), or **Marital Settlement Agreement for Dissolution of Marriage with [Property but] No Dependent or Minor Child(ren)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(f)(2).
- **Notice of Social Security Number**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(j), if not previously filed.
- **Family Law Financial Affidavit**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) or (c). (This must be filed within 45 days of service of the supplemental petition on you, if not filed at the time you file your answer.)
- **Certificate of Compliance with Mandatory Disclosure**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.932. (This must be filed within 45 days of **service** of the supplemental petition on you, if not filed at the time of you file your answer, unless you and the other party have agreed not to exchange these documents.)

Parenting and Time-Sharing... If you and the other partyare unable to agree on parenting arrangements and a time-sharing schedule, a judge will decide for you as part of establishing a Parenting Plan. The judge will decide the parenting arrangements and time-sharing schedule based on the child(ren)'s best interests. Regardless of whether there is an agreement, the court reserves jurisdiction to modify issues relating to the minor child(ren).

The judge may request a **parenting plan recommendation** or appoint a **guardian ad litem** in your case. This means that a neutral person will review your situation and report to the judge concerning parenting issues. The purpose of such intervention is to be sure that the best interests of the child(ren) is (are) being served. For more information, you may consult section 61.13, Florida Statutes. A **parenting course** may be required prior to entry of a final judgment. You should contact the clerk, family law intake staff, or judicial assistant about requirements for parenting courses or mediation where you live.

Listed below are some terms with which you should become familiar before completing your supplemental petition. **If you do not fully understand any of the terms below or their implications, you should speak with an attorney before going any further.**

Shared Parental Responsibility
Sole Parental Responsibility
Supervised Time-Sharing
No contact
Parenting Plan
Parenting Plan Recommendation
Time-Sharing Schedule

Child Support... If this case involves child support issues, the court may order one parent to pay **child support** to assist the other parent in meeting the child(ren)'s material needs. **Both parents are required to provide financial support**, but one parent may be ordered to pay a portion of his or her support for the child(ren) to the other parent. Florida has adopted guidelines for determining the amount of child support to be paid. These guidelines are based on the combined income of **both** parents and take into account the financial contributions of both parents. You must file a **Family Law Financial Affidavit**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) or (c), and the other parent will be required to do the same. From your financial affidavits, you should be able to calculate the amount of child support that should be paid using the **Child Support Guidelines Worksheet**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(e). Because the child support guidelines take several factors into consideration, change over time, and vary from state to state, your child support obligation may be more or less than that of other people in seemingly similar situations.

Temporary Relief... If you need temporary relief regarding parental responsibility and time-sharing with child(ren), child support or alimony, you may file a **Motion for Temporary Support with Dependent or Minor Child(ren)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.947(a) or, if you need temporary relief regarding alimony and there are no dependent or minor child(ren), you may file a **Motion for Temporary Support with No Dependent or Minor Child(ren)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.947(c). For more information, see the instructions for these forms.

Settlement Agreement... If you and the other party are able to reach an agreement on any or all of the issues, you should file a Settlement Agreement. Although there is no form for this in these Florida Family Law Forms, you may construct a settlement agreement using the pertinent sections contained in **Marital Settlement Agreement for Dissolution of Marriage with Dependent or Minor Child(ren)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(f)(1), or **Marital Settlement Agreement for Dissolution of Marriage with No Dependent or Minor Child(ren)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(f)(2). Both parties must sign this agreement before a **notary public** or **deputy clerk**. Any issues on which you are unable to agree will be considered **contested** and settled by the judge at the final hearing.

Final Judgment Form... These family law forms contain a **Supplemental Final Judgment Modifying**

Parental Responsibility, Visitation, or Parenting Plan/Time-Sharing Schedule or Other Relief, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.993(a), a **Supplemental Final Judgment Modifying Child Support**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.993(b), and a **Supplemental Final Judgment Modifying Alimony**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.993(c), which the judge may use, as appropriate. You should check with the clerk, family law intake staff, or judicial assistant to see if you need to bring a final judgment with you to the hearing. If so, you should type or print the heading, including the circuit, county, case number, division, and the parties' names, and leave the rest blank for the judge to complete at your hearing or trial.

Nonlawyer... Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900(a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____
Division: _____

_____,
Petitioner,

and

_____,
Respondent.

ANSWER TO SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION

I, *{full legal name}* _____, being sworn, certify that the following information is true:

1. I **agree** with Petitioner as to the allegations raised in the following numbered paragraphs in the Supplemental Petition and, therefore, **admit** those allegations: *{indicate section and paragraph number}* _____

2. I **disagree** with Petitioner as to the allegations raised in the following numbered paragraphs in the Supplemental Petition and, therefore, **deny** those allegations: *{indicate section and paragraph number}* _____

3. I currently am unable to admit or deny the following paragraphs due to lack of information: *{indicate section and paragraph number}* _____

4. If not previously filed in this case, a completed Family Law Financial Affidavit, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) or (c) (_), is filed with this answer, or ( )will be, timely filed.

5. If not previously filed in this case, a completed Notice of Social Security Number, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(j), is filed with this answer.

[Choose **if** applies]

6. ___This case involves minor child(ren), and a completed Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act (UCCJEA) Affidavit, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(d), is filed with this answer.

7. ___This case involves child support, and a completed Child Support Guidelines Worksheet, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(e),( ) is filed or ( )will be filed with the court.

I certify that a copy of this document was [Choose only one] ( ) mailed ( ) faxed and mailed ( ) hand delivered to the person(s) listed below on *{date}* _____.

Petitioner or his/her attorney:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Fax Number: _____

I understand that I am swearing or affirming under oath to the truthfulness of the claims made in this answer and that the punishment for knowingly making a false statement includes fines and/or imprisonment.

Dated: _____

_____
Signature of Respondent
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Fax Number: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

_____
[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.]

___ Personally known
___ Produced identification
Type of identification produced_____

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:
[fill in **all** blanks]
I, *{full legal name and trade name of nonlawyer}* _____,
a nonlawyer, located at *{street}*_____, *{city}* _____,
{state} _____, *{phone}* _____, helped *{name}* _____,
who is the respondent, fill out this form.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW FORM 12.902(d), UNIFORM CHILD CUSTODY JURISDICTION AND ENFORCEMENT ACT (UCCJEA) AFFIDAVIT (12/10)

When should this form be used?

This form should be used in any case involving custody of, visitation with, or time-sharing with any minor child(ren). This **affidavit** is **required** even if the custody of, visitation, or time-sharing with the minor child(ren) are not in dispute.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. After completing this form, you should sign the form before a **notary public** or **deputy clerk**. You should then **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where the petition was filed and keep a copy for your records.

What should I do next?

A copy of this form must be mailed or hand delivered to the other party in your case, if it is not served on him or her with your initial papers.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read General Information for Self-Represented Litigants found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **bold underline** in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see sections 61.501-61.542, Florida Statutes.

Special notes…

Chapter 2008-61, Laws of Florida, effective October 1, 2008, eliminated such terms as custodial parent, noncustodial parent, primary residential parent, secondary residential parent, and visitation from Chapter 61, Florida Statutes. Instead, parents are to develop a Parenting Plan that includes, among other things, their time-sharing schedule with the minor child(ren). If the parents cannot agree, a parenting plan will be established by the Court. However, because the UCCJEA uses the terms custody and visitation, they are included in this form.

If you are the petitioner in an injunction for protection against domestic violence case and you have filed **a Request for Confidential Filing of Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(h), you should write confidential in any space on this form that would require you to write the address where you are currently living.

Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900(a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____
Division: _____

_____,
Petitioner,

and

_____,
Respondent.

UNIFORM CHILD CUSTODY JURISDICTION AND ENFORCEMENT ACT (UCCJEA) AFFIDAVIT

I, *{full legal name}* _____, being sworn, certify that the following statements are true:

1. The number of minor child(ren) subject to this proceeding is _____. The name, place of birth, birth date, and sex of each child; the present address, periods of residence, and places where each child has lived **within the past five (5) years**; and the name, present address, and relationship to the child of each person with whom the child has lived during that time are:

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS TRUE ABOUT CHILD # __1__:

Child's Full Legal Name: _____
Place of Birth: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Child's Residence for the past 5 years:

Dates (From/To)	Address (including city and state) where child lived	Name and present address of person child lived with	Relationship to child
_____/present*			
____/____			
____/____			
____/____			
____/____			
____/____			

*** If you are the petitioner in an injunction for protection against domestic violence case and you have**

filedaRequest for Confidential Filing of Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(h), you should write confidential in any space on this form that would require you to enter the address where you are currently living.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS TRUE ABOUT CHILD # ____:

Child's Full Legal Name: _____
Place of Birth: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Child's Residence for the past 5 years:

Dates (From/To)	Address (including city and state) where child lived	Name and present address of person child lived with	Relationship to child
_____/present			
____/____			
____/____			
____/____			
____/____			
____/____			

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS TRUE ABOUT CHILD # ____:

Child's Full Legal Name: _____
Place of Birth: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Child's Residence for the past 5 years:

Dates (From/To)	Address (including city and state) where child lived	Name and present address of person child lived with	Relationship to child
_____/present			
____/____			
____/____			
____/____			
____/____			
____/____			

2. **Participation in custody or time-sharing proceeding(s):**
[**Choose only one**]

___ I HAVE NOT participated as a party, witness, or in any capacity in any other litigation or custody proceeding in this or any other state, concerning custody of or time-sharing with a child subject to this proceeding.

___ I HAVE participated as a party, witness, or in any capacity in any other litigation or custody proceeding in this or another state, concerning custody of or time-sharing with a child subject to this proceeding. Explain:

a. Name of each child: _____
b. Type of proceeding: _____
c. Court and state: _____
d. Date of court order or judgment (if any): _____

3. **Information about custody or time-sharing proceeding(s):**
[**Choose only one**]

___ I HAVE NO INFORMATION of any custody or time-sharing proceeding pending in a court of this or any other state concerning a child subject to this proceeding.

___ I HAVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION concerning a custody or time-sharing proceeding pending in a court of this or another state concerning a child subject to this proceeding, other than set out in item 2. Explain:

a. Name of each child: _____
b. Type of proceeding: _____
c. Court and state: _____
d. Date of court order or judgment (if any): _____

4. **Persons not a party to this proceeding:**
[**Choose only one**]

___ I DO NOT KNOW OF ANY PERSON not a party to this proceeding who has physical custody or claims to have custody, visitation or time-sharing with respect to any child subject to this proceeding.

___ I KNOW THAT THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSON(S) not a party to this proceeding has (have) physical custody or claim(s) to have custody, visitation, or time-sharing with respect to any child subject to this proceeding:

a. Name and address of person: _____
_____
( ) has physical custody ( ) claims custody rights ( ) claims visitation or time-sharing
Name of each child: _____
b. Name and address of person: _____
_____
( ) has physical custody ( ) claims custody rights ( ) claims visitation. or time-sharing
Name of each child: _____
c. Name and address of person: _____
_____
( ) has physical custody ( ) claims custody rights ( ) claims visitation or time-sharing
Name of each child: _____

5. **Knowledge of prior child support proceedings:**
[**Choose only one**]

___ The child(ren) described in this affidavit are NOT subject to existing child support order(s) in this or any state or territory.

___ The child(ren) described in this affidavit are subject to the following existing child support order(s):

a. Name of each child: _____
b. Type of proceeding: _____
c. Court and address: _____
d. Date of court order/judgment (if any): _____
e. Amount of child support paid and by whom: _____

6. **I acknowledge that I have a continuing duty to advise this Court of any custody, visitation or time-sharing, child support, or guardianship proceeding (including dissolution of marriage, separate maintenance, child neglect, or dependency) concerning the child(ren) in this state or any other state about which information is obtained during this proceeding.**

I certify that a copy of this document was [**Choose only one**] ( ) mailed ( ) faxed and mailed ( ) hand delivered to the person(s) listed below on *{date}* _____.

Other party or his/her attorney:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Fax Number: _____

I understand that I am swearing or affirming under oath to the truthfulness of the claims made in this affidavit and that the punishment for knowingly making a false statement includes fines and/or imprisonment.

Dated: _____

_____
Signature of Party
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Fax Number: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

_____
[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.]

___ Personally known
___ Produced identification
Type of identification produced

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW: [fill in **all** blanks]
I, *{full legal name and trade name of nonlawyer}* _____,
a nonlawyer, located at *{street}* _____, *{city}* _____,
{state} _____, *{phone}* _____, helped *{name}* _____,
who is the [**Choose only one**] ___ petitioner **or** ___ respondent, fill out this form.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA FAMILY LAW RULES OF PROCEDURE FORM 12.902(b), FAMILY LAW FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT (SHORT FORM) (01/15)

When should this form be used?

This form should be used when you are involved in a family law case which requires a **financial affidavit and your individual gross income is UNDER $50,000 per year** unless:

(1) You are filing a simplified dissolution of marriage under rule 12.105 and both parties have waived the filing of a financial affidavit;
(2) You have no minor children, no support issues, and have filed a written settlement agreement disposing of all financial issues; or
(3) The court lacks jurisdiction to determine any financial issues.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. After completing this form, you should sign the form before a **notary public** or **deputy clerk**. You should **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where the **petition** was filed and keep a copy for your records.

What should I do next?

A copy of this form must be served on the other **party** in your case within 45 days of being served with the petition, if it is not served on him or her with your initial papers. **Service** must be in accordance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.516.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read "General Information for Self-Represented Litigants" found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **"bold underline"** in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see Florida Family Law Rule of Procedure 12.285.

Special notes…

If you want to keep your address confidential because you are the victim of sexual battery, aggravated child abuse, aggravated stalking, harassment, aggravated battery, or domestic violence, do not enter the address, telephone, and fax information at the bottom of this form. Instead, file **Request for Confidential Filing of Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(h).

The affidavit must be completed using **monthly** income and expense amounts. If you are paid or your bills are due on a schedule which is not monthly, you must convert those amounts. Hints are provided below for making these conversions.

Hourly - If you are paid by the hour, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Hourly amount	x	Hours worked per week	**=**	Weekly amount
Weekly amount	x	52 Weeks per year	**=**	Yearly amount
Yearly amount	÷	12 Months per year	**=**	**Monthly Amount**

Daily - If you are paid by the day, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Daily amount	x	Days worked per week	**=**	Weekly amount
Weekly amount	x	52 Weeks per year	**=**	Yearly amount
Yearly amount	÷	12 Months per year	**=**	**Monthly Amount**

Weekly - If you are paid by the week, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Weekly amount	x	52 Weeks per year	**=**	Yearly amount
Yearly amount	÷	12 Months per year	**=**	**Monthly Amount**

Bi-weekly - If you are paid every two weeks, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Bi-weekly amount	x	26	**=**	Yearly amount
Yearly amount	÷	12 Months per year	**=**	**Monthly Amount**

Semi-monthly - If you are paid twice per month, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Semi-monthly amount	x	2	**=**	**Monthly Amount**

Expenses may be converted in the same manner.

Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900(a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE _____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR _____ COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____
Division: _____

_____,
Petitioner,
and

_____,
Respondent.

FAMILY LAW FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT (SHORT FORM)

(Under $50,000 Individual Gross Annual Income)

I, *{full legal name}*_____, being sworn, certify that the following information is true:

My Occupation: _____ Employed by: _____

Business Address: _____

Pay rate: $ _____ ( ) every week ( ) every other week ( ) twice a month ( ) monthly ( ) other: _____

___ Check here if unemployed and explain on a separate sheet your efforts to find employment.

SECTION I. PRESENT MONTHLY GROSS INCOME:
All amounts must be MONTHLY. See the instructions with this form to figure out money amounts for anything that is NOT paid monthly. Attach more paper, if needed. Items included under "other" should be listed separately with separate dollar amounts.

1. $_____ Monthly gross salary or wages
2. _____ Monthly bonuses, commissions, allowances, overtime, tips, and similar payments
3. _____Monthly business income from sources such as self-employment, partnerships, close corporations, and/or independent contracts (gross receipts minus ordinary and necessary expenses required to produce income) (Attach sheet itemizing such income and expenses.)
4. _____Monthly disability benefits/SSI
5. _____Monthly Workers' Compensation
6. _____Monthly Unemployment Compensation
7. _____Monthly pension, retirement, or annuity payments
8. _____Monthly Social Security benefits
9. _____ Monthly alimony actually received (Add 9a and 9b)
   - 9a. From this case: $ _____
   - 9b. From other case(s): _____
10. _____ Monthly interest and dividends
11. _____Monthly rental income (gross receipts minus ordinary and necessary expenses

required to produce income) (Attach sheet itemizing such income and expense items.)

12. _____ Monthly income from royalties, trusts, or estates
13. _____ Monthly reimbursed expenses and in-kind payments to the extent that they reduce personal living expenses
14. _____ Monthly gains derived from dealing in property (not including nonrecurring gains)
15. _____ Any other income of a recurring nature (list source) _____
16. _____
17. **$ _____ TOTAL PRESENT MONTHLY GROSS INCOME** (Add lines 1–16)

PRESENT MONTHLY DEDUCTIONS:

18. $_____Monthly federal, state, and local income tax (corrected for filing status and allowable dependents and income tax liabilities)
    a. Filing Status _____
    b. Number of dependents claimed _____
19. _____ Monthly FICA or self-employment taxes
20. _____ Monthly Medicare payments
21. _____ Monthly mandatory union dues
22. _____ Monthly mandatory retirement payments
23. _____ Monthly health insurance payments (including dental insurance), excluding portion paid for any minor children of this relationship
24. _____ Monthly court-ordered child support actually paid for children from another relationship
25. _____Monthly court-ordered alimony actually paid (Add 25a and 25b)
    25a. from this case: $ _____
    25b. from other case(s):$ _____
26. **$_____ TOTAL DEDUCTIONS ALLOWABLE UNDER SECTION 61.30, FLORIDA STATUTES** (Add lines 18 through 25).
27. **$_____ PRESENT NET MONTHLY INCOME** (Subtract line 26 from line 17)

SECTION II. AVERAGE MONTHLY EXPENSES

Proposed/Estimated Expenses. If this is a dissolution of marriage case **and** your expenses as listed below do not reflect what you actually pay currently, you should write "estimate" next to each amount that is estimated.

A. HOUSEHOLD:

Mortgage or rent $ _____
Property taxes $_____
Utilities $_____
Telephone $ _____
Food $ _____
Meals outside home $_____
Maintenance/Repairs $ _____
Other: _____ $_____

B. AUTOMOBILE

Gasoline $ _____
Repairs $_____
Insurance $_____

C. CHILD(REN)'S EXPENSES

Day care $ _____
Lunch money $_____
Clothing $ _____
Grooming $_____
Gifts for holidays $ _____
Medical/Dental (uninsured) $ _____
Other: _____ $ _____

D. INSURANCE

Medical/Dental (if not listed on lines 23 or 45) $ _____
Child(ren)'s medical/dental $ _____
Life $ _____
Other: _____ $ _____

E. OTHER EXPENSES NOT LISTED ABOVE

Clothing $ _____
Medical/Dental (uninsured) $_____
Grooming $ _____
Entertainment $_____
Gifts $_____
Religious organizations $_____
Miscellaneous $_____
Other: _____ $ _____
_____ $_____
_____ $_____
_____ $_____
_____ $_____
_____ $_____

F. PAYMENTS TO CREDITORS

CREDITOR:	MONTHLY PAYMENT
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____

28. **$_____ TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES** (add **ALL** monthly amounts in A through F above)

SUMMARY

29. **$_____ TOTAL PRESENT MONTHLY NET INCOME** (from line 27 of SECTION I. INCOME)
30. **$_____ TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES** (from line 28 above)
31. **$_____ SURPLUS** (If line 29 is more than line 30, subtract line 30 from line 29. This is the amount of your surplus. Enter that amount here.)
32. **($_____) (DEFICIT)** (If line 30 is more than line 29, subtract line 29 from line 30. This is the amount of your deficit. Enter that amount here.)

SECTION III. ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Use the nonmarital column only if this is a petition for dissolution of marriage and you believe an item is "nonmarital," meaning it belongs to only one of you and should not be divided. You should indicate to whom you believe the item(s) or debt belongs. (Typically, you will only use this column if property/debt was owned/owed by one spouse before the marriage. See the **"General Information for Self-Represented Litigants"** found at the beginning of these forms and section 61.075(1), Florida Statutes, for definitions of "marital" and "nonmarital" assets and liabilities.)

A. ASSETS:

DESCRIPTION OF ITEM(S). List a description of each separate item owned by you (and/or your spouse, if this is a petition for dissolution of marriage). LIST ONLY LAST 4 DIGITS OF ACCOUNT NUMBERS. Check the line next to any asset(s) which you are requesting the judge award to you.		**Current Fair Market Value**	**Nonmarital (check correct column)**	
			husband	wife
	Cash (on hand)	$		
	Cash (in banks or credit unions)			
	Stocks, Bonds, Notes			
	Real estate: (Home)			
	(Other)			
	Automobiles			
	Other personal property			
	Retirement plans (Profit Sharing, Pension, IRA, 401(k)s, etc.)			
	Other			
	____Check here if additional pages are attached.			
Total Assets (add next column)		**$**		

B. LIABILITIES:

DESCRIPTION OF ITEM(S). List a description of each separate debt owed by you (and/or your spouse, if this is a petition for dissolution of marriage). LIST ONLY LAST 4 DIGITS OF ACCOUNT NUMBERS. Check the line next to any debt(s) for which you believe you should be responsible.		Current Amount Owed	Nonmarital (check correct column)	
			husband	wife
	Mortgages on real estate: First mortgage on home	$		
	Second mortgage on home			
	Other mortgages			
	Auto loans			
	Charge/credit card accounts			
	Other			
	____Check here if additional pages are attached.			
Total Debts (add next column)		**$**		

C. CONTINGENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES:

INSTRUCTIONS: If you have any **POSSIBLE assets** (income potential, accrued vacation or sick leave, bonus, inheritance, etc.) or **POSSIBLE liabilities** (possible lawsuits, future unpaid taxes, contingent tax liabilities, debts assumed by another), you must list them here.

Contingent Assets Check the line next to any contingent asset(s) which you are requesting the judge award to you.		Possible Value	Nonmarital (check correct column)	
			husband	wife
		$		
Total Contingent Assets		**$**		

Contingent Liabilities Check the line next to any contingent debt(s) for which you believe you should be responsible.		Possible Amount Owed	Nonmarital (check correct column)	
			husband	wife
		$		
Total Contingent Liabilities		**$**		

SECTION IV. CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES WORKSHEET
(Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(e), Child Support Guidelines Worksheet, MUST be filed with the court at or prior to a hearing to establish or modify child support. This requirement cannot be waived by the parties.)

[Check **one** only]
____ **A Child Support Guidelines Worksheet IS or WILL BE filed in this case.** This case involves the establishment or modification of child support.
____ **A Child Support Guidelines Worksheet IS NOT being filed in this case.** The establishment or modification of child support is not an issue in this case.

I certify that a copy of this document was [**check all used**]: ( ) e-mailed ( ) mailed ( ) faxed ( ) hand delivered to the person(s) listed below on *{date}* _____.

Other party or his/her attorney:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es): _____

I understand that I am swearing or affirming under oath to the truthfulness of the claims made in this affidavit and that the punishment for knowingly making a false statement includes fines and/or imprisonment.

Dated: _____

_____
Signature of Party
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es): _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

_____
[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or deputy clerk.]

____ Personally known
____ Produced identification
Type of identification produced _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA FAMILY LAW RULE OF PROCEDURE FORM 12.902(c), FAMILY LAW FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT (LONG FORM)(01/15)

When should this form be used?

This form should be used when you are involved in a family law case which requires a **financial affidavit and your individual gross income is $50,000 OR MORE per year** unless:

(1) You are filing a simplified dissolution of marriage under rule 12.105 and both parties have waived the filing of financial affidavits;
(2) you have no minor children, no support issues, and have filed a written settlement agreement disposing of all financial issues; or
(3) the court lacks jurisdiction to determine any financial issues.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. After completing this form, you should sign the form before a **notary public** or **deputy clerk**. You should then **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where the **petition** was filed and keep a copy for your records.

What should I do next?

A copy of this form must be served on the other **party** in your case within 45 days of being served with the petition, if it is not served on him or her with your initial papers. **Service** must be in accordance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.516.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read "General Information for Self-Represented Litigants" found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **"bold underline"** in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see Florida Family Law Rule of Procedure 12.285.

Special notes…

If you want to keep your address confidential because you are the victim of sexual battery, aggravated child abuse, aggravated stalking, harassment, aggravated battery, or domestic violence do not enter the address, telephone, and fax information at the bottom of this form. Instead, file **Request for Confidential Filing of Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(h).

The affidavit must be completed using **monthly** income and expense amounts. If you are paid or your bills are due on a schedule which is not monthly, you must convert those amounts. Hints are provided below for making these conversions.

Hourly - If you are paid by the hour, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Hourly amount	x	Hours worked per week	=	Weekly amount
Weekly amount	x	52 Weeks per year	=	Yearly amount
Yearly amount	÷	12 Months per year	=	**Monthly Amount**

Daily - If you are paid by the day, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Daily amount	x	Days worked per week	=	Weekly amount
Weekly amount	x	52 Weeks per year	=	Yearly amount
Yearly amount	÷	12 Months per year	=	**Monthly Amount**

Weekly - If you are paid by the week, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Weekly amount	x	52 Weeks per year	=	Yearly amount
Yearly amount	÷	12 Months per year	=	**Monthly Amount**

Bi-weekly - If you are paid every two weeks, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Bi-weekly amount	x	26	=	Yearly amount
Yearly amount	÷	12 Months per year	=	**Monthly Amount**

Semi-monthly - If you are paid twice per month, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Semi-monthly amount	x	2	=	**Monthly Amount**

Expenses may be converted in the same manner.

Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900(a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE _____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR _____ COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____
Division: _____

_____,
Petitioner,

and

_____,
Respondent.

FAMILY LAW FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT (LONG FORM)

($50,000 or more Individual Gross Annual Income)

I, *{full legal name}* _____, being sworn, certify that the following information is true:

SECTION I. INCOME

1. My age is:_____
2. My occupation is: _____
3. I am currently

   *[Check **all** that apply]*

   a. ____ Unemployed

      Describe your efforts to find employment, how soon you expect to be employed, and the pay you expect to receive: _____

      _____

   b. ____ Employed by: _____

      Address: _____

      City, State, Zip code: _____ Telephone Number: _____

      Pay rate: $ _____ ( ) every week ( ) every other week ( ) twice a month

      ( ) monthly ( ) other: _____

      If you are expecting to become unemployed or change jobs soon, describe the change you expect and why and how it will affect your income: _____

      _____

      _____.

      ____ Check here if you currently have more than one job. List the information above for the second job(s) on a separate sheet and attach it to this affidavit.

c. _____ Retired. Date of retirement: _____

Employer from whom retired: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip code: _____ Telephone Number: _____

LAST YEAR'S GROSS INCOME:	Your Income	Other Party's Income *(if known)*
YEAR_____	$ _____	$ _____

PRESENT MONTHLY GROSS INCOME:

All amounts must be MONTHLY. See the instructions with this form to figure out money amounts for anything that is NOT paid monthly. Attach more paper, if needed. Items included under "other" should be listed separately with separate dollar amounts.

1. $_____ Monthly gross salary or wages
2. _____ Monthly bonuses, commissions, allowances, overtime, tips, and similar payments
3. _____ Monthly business income from sources such as self-employment, partnerships, close corporations, and/or independent contracts (Gross receipts minus ordinary and necessary expenses required to produce income.)(Attach sheet itemizing such income and expenses.)
4. _____ Monthly disability benefits/SSI
5. _____ Monthly Workers' Compensation
6. _____ Monthly Unemployment Compensation
7. _____ Monthly pension, retirement, or annuity payments
8. _____ Monthly Social Security benefits
9. _____ Monthly alimony actually received (Add 9a and 9b)
   9a. From this case: $_____
   9b. From other case(s): _____
10. _____ Monthly interest and dividends
11. _____ Monthly rental income (gross receipts minus ordinary and necessary expenses required to produce income) (Attach sheet itemizing such income and expense items.)
12. _____ Monthly income from royalties, trusts, or estates
13. _____ Monthly reimbursed expenses and in-kind payments to the extent that they reduce personal living expenses (Attach sheet itemizing each item and amount.)
14. _____ Monthly gains derived from dealing in property (not including nonrecurring gains)
    Any other income of a recurring nature (identify source)
15. _____
16. _____
17. **$_____ TOTAL PRESENT MONTHLY GROSS INCOME** (Add lines 1 through 16).

PRESENT MONTHLY DEDUCTIONS:

All amounts must be MONTHLY. See the instructions with this form to figure out money amounts for anything that is NOT paid monthly.

18. $_____ Monthly federal, state, and local income tax (corrected for filing status and allowable dependents and income tax liabilities)
    a. Filing Status _____
    b. Number of dependents claimed _____
19. _____ Monthly FICA or self-employment taxes
20. _____ Monthly Medicare payments

21. _____ Monthly mandatory union dues
22. _____ Monthly mandatory retirement payments
23. _____ Monthly health insurance payments (including dental insurance), excluding portion paid for any minor children of this relationship
24. _____ Monthly court-ordered child support actually paid for children from another relationship
25. _____ Monthly court-ordered alimony actually paid (Add 25a and 25b)
    25a. from this case: $ _____
    25b. from other case(s): _____

26. **$_____ TOTAL DEDUCTIONS ALLOWABLE UNDER SECTION 61.30, FLORIDA STATUTES**
    (Add lines 18 through 25).

27. **$_____ PRESENT NET MONTHLY INCOME**
    (Subtract line 26 from line 17).

SECTION II. AVERAGE MONTHLY EXPENSES

Proposed/Estimated Expenses. If this is a dissolution of marriage case **and** your expenses as listed below do not reflect what you actually pay currently, you should write "estimate" next to each amount that is estimated.

HOUSEHOLD:

1. $_____ Monthly mortgage or rent payments
2. _____ Monthly property taxes (if not included in mortgage)
3. _____ Monthly insurance on residence (if not included in mortgage)
4. _____ Monthly condominium maintenance fees and homeowner's association fees
5. _____ Monthly electricity
6. _____ Monthly water, garbage, and sewer
7. _____ Monthly telephone
8. _____ Monthly fuel oil or natural gas
9. _____ Monthly repairs and maintenance
10. _____ Monthly lawn care
11. _____ Monthly pool maintenance
12. _____ Monthly pest control
13. _____ Monthly misc. household
14. _____ Monthly food and home supplies
15. _____ Monthly meals outside home
16. _____ Monthly cable t.v.
17. _____ Monthly alarm service contract
18. _____ Monthly service contracts on appliances
19. _____ Monthly maid service

Other:

20. _____
21. _____
22. _____
23. _____
24. _____
25. **$_____ SUBTOTAL** (add lines 1 through 24).

AUTOMOBILE:

26. $_____ Monthly gasoline and oil
27. _____ Monthly repairs
28. _____ Monthly auto tags and emission testing
29. _____ Monthly insurance
30. _____ Monthly payments (lease or financing)
31. _____ Monthly rental/replacements
32. _____ Monthly alternative transportation (bus, rail, car pool, etc.)
33. _____ Monthly tolls and parking
34. _____ Other: _____
35. $_____ **SUBTOTAL** (add lines 26 through 34)

MONTHLY EXPENSES FOR CHILDREN COMMON TO BOTH PARTIES:

36. $_____ Monthly nursery, babysitting, or day care
37. _____ Monthly school tuition
38. _____ Monthly school supplies, books, and fees
39. _____ Monthly after school activities
40. _____ Monthly lunch money
41. _____ Monthly private lessons or tutoring
42. _____ Monthly allowances
43. _____ Monthly clothing and uniforms
44. _____ Monthly entertainment (movies, parties, etc.)
45. _____ Monthly health insurance
46. _____ Monthly medical, dental, prescriptions (nonreimbursed only)
47. _____ Monthly psychiatric/psychological/counselor
48. _____ Monthly orthodontic
49. _____ Monthly vitamins
50. _____ Monthly beauty parlor/barber shop
51. _____ Monthly nonprescription medication
52. _____ Monthly cosmetics, toiletries, and sundries
53. _____ Monthly gifts from child(ren) to others (other children, relatives, teachers, etc.)
54. _____ Monthly camp or summer activities
55. _____ Monthly clubs (Boy/Girl Scouts, etc.)
56. _____ Monthly time-sharing expenses
57. _____ Monthly miscellaneous
58. **$_____ SUBTOTAL** (add lines 36 through 57)

MONTHLY EXPENSES FOR CHILD(REN) FROM ANOTHER RELATIONSHIP
(other than court-ordered child support)

59. $_____
60. _____
61. _____
62. _____
63. **$_____ SUBTOTAL** (add lines 59 through 62)

MONTHLY INSURANCE:

64. $_____ Health insurance (if not listed on lines 23 or 45)
65. _____ Life insurance
66. _____ Dental insurance.

Other:

67._____
68._____
69.. **$_____ SUBTOTAL** (add lines 66 through 68, exclude lines 64 and 65)

OTHER MONTHLY EXPENSES NOT LISTED ABOVE:

70. $_____ Monthly dry cleaning and laundry
71. _____ Monthly clothing
72. _____ Monthly medical, dental, and prescription (unreimbursed only)
73. _____ Monthly psychiatric, psychological, or counselor (unreimbursed only)
74. _____ Monthly non-prescription medications, cosmetics, toiletries, and sundries
75. _____ Monthly grooming
76._____ Monthly gifts
77._____ Monthly pet expenses
78._____ Monthly club dues and membership
79._____ Monthly sports and hobbies
80._____ Monthly entertainment
81._____ Monthly periodicals/books/tapes/CDs
82._____ Monthly vacations
83._____ Monthly religious organizations
84._____ Monthly bank charges/credit card fees
85._____ Monthly education expenses
86._____ Other: (include any usual and customary expenses not otherwise mentioned in the items listed above)_____
87._____
88._____
89._____
90**. $_____ SUBTOTAL** (add lines 70 through 89)

MONTHLY PAYMENTS TO CREDITORS: (only when payments are currently made by you on outstanding balances). List only last 4 digits of account numbers.

MONTHLY PAYMENT AND NAME OF CREDITOR(s):

91. $_____
92._____
93._____
94._____
95._____
96._____
97._____
98._____
99._____
100._____
101._____
102._____

103._____

104. **$_____ SUBTOTAL** (add lines 91 through 103)

105. **$_____TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES:**
(add lines 25, 35, 58, 63, 69, 90, and 104 of Section II, Expenses)

SUMMARY

106. **$_____ TOTAL PRESENT MONTHLY NET INCOME** (from line 27 of SECTION I. INCOME)

107. **$_____ TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES** (from line 105 above)

108. **$_____ SURPLUS** (If line 106 is more than line 107, subtract line 107 from line 106. This is the amount of your surplus. Enter that amount here.)

109. **($_____)(DEFICIT)** (If line 107 is more than line 106, subtract line 106 from line 107. This is the amount of your deficit. Enter that amount here.)

SECTION III. ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

A. ASSETS (This is where you list what you OWN.)

INSTRUCTIONS:

STEP 1: In column A, list a description of each separate item owned by you (and/or your spouse, if this is a petition for dissolution of marriage). Blank spaces are provided if you need to list more than one of an item.

STEP 2: If this is a petition for dissolution of marriage, check the line **in Column A** next to any item that you are requesting the judge award to you.

STEP 3: In column B, write what you believe to be the current fair market value of all items listed.

STEP 4: Use column C only if this is a petition for dissolution of marriage and you believe an item is "nonmarital," meaning it belongs to only one of you and should not be divided. You should indicate to whom you believe the item belongs. (Typically, you will only use Column C if property was owned by one spouse before the marriage. See the **"General Information for Self-Represented Litigants"** found at the beginning of these forms and section 61.075(1), Florida Statutes, for definitions of "marital" and "nonmarital" assets and liabilities.)

A **ASSETS: DESCRIPTION OF ITEM(S)** **LIST ONLY LAST FOUR DIGITS OF ACCOUNT NUMBERS.** **Check the line next to any asset(s) which you are requesting the judge award to you.**		**B** **Current Fair Market Value**	**C** **Nonmarital (Check correct column)**	
			husband	wife
	Cash (on hand)	$		
	Cash (in banks or credit unions)			
	Stocks/Bonds			

	Notes (money owed to you in writing)			
	Money owed to you (not evidenced by a note)			
	Real estate: (Home)			
	(Other)			
	Business interests			
	Automobiles			
	Boats			
	Other vehicles			
	Retirement plans (Profit Sharing, Pension, IRA, 401(k)s, etc.)			
	Furniture & furnishings in home			
	Furniture & furnishings elsewhere			
	Collectibles			

	Jewelry			
	Life insurance (cash surrender value)			
	Sporting and entertainment (T.V., stereo, etc.) equipment			
	Other assets:			
Total Assets (add column B)		**$**		

B. LIABILITIES/DEBTS (This is where you list what you OWE.)

INSTRUCTIONS:

STEP 1: In column A, list a description of each separate debt owed by you (and/or your spouse, if this is a petition for dissolution of marriage). Blank spaces are provided if you need to list more than one of an item.

STEP 2: If this is a petition for dissolution of marriage, check the line **in Column A** next to any debt(s) for which you believe you should be responsible.

STEP 3: In column B, write what you believe to be the current amount owed for all items listed.

STEP 4: Use column C only if this is a petition for dissolution of marriage and you believe an item is "nonmarital," meaning the debt belongs to only one of you and should not be divided. You should indicate to whom you believe the debt belongs. (Typically, you will only use Column C if the debt was owed by one spouse before the marriage. See the **"General Information for Self-Represented Litigants"** found at the beginning of these forms and section 61.075(1), Florida Statutes, for definitions of "marital" and "nonmarital" assets and liabilities.)

	A LIABILITIES: DESCRIPTION OF ITEM(S) LIST ONLY LAST FOUR DIGITS OF ACCOUNT NUMBERS. Check the line next to any debt(s) for which you believe you should be responsible.	B Current Amount Owed	C Nonmarital (Check correct column)	
			husband	wife
	Mortgages on real estate: First mortgage on home	$		
	Second mortgage on home			
	Other mortgages			
	Charge/credit card accounts			
	Auto loan			
	Auto loan			
	Bank/Credit Union loans			
	Money you owe (not evidenced by a note)			
	Judgments			
	Other:			
Total Debts (add column B)		**$**		

C. NET WORTH (excluding contingent assets and liabilities)

$_____Total Assets (enter total of Column B in Asset Table; Section A)
$_____Total Liabilities (enter total of Column B in Liabilities Table; Section B)
$_____TOTAL NET WORTH (Total Assets minus Total Liabilities)
(excluding contingent assets and liabilities)

D. CONTINGENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

INSTRUCTIONS:

If you have any **POSSIBLE assets** (income potential, accrued vacation or sick leave, bonus, inheritance, etc.) or **POSSIBLE liabilities** (possible lawsuits, future unpaid taxes, contingent tax liabilities, debts assumed by another), you must list them here.

A **Contingent Assets** **Check the line next to any contingent asset(s) which you are requesting the judge award to you.**		**B** **Possible Value**	**C** **Nonmarital (Check correct column)**	
			husband	wife
		$		
Total Contingent Assets		**$**		

A **Contingent Liabilities** **Check the line next to any contingent debt(s) for which you believe you should be responsible.**		**B** **Possible Amount Owed**	**C** **Nonmarital (Check correct column)**	
			husband	wife
		$		
Total Contingent Liabilities		**$**		

E. CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES WORKSHEET. Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(e), Child Support Guidelines Worksheet, MUST be filed with the court at or prior to a hearing to

establish or modify child support. This requirement cannot be waived by the parties.

[Check **one** only]

____**A Child Support Guidelines Worksheet IS or WILL BE filed in this case.** This case involves the establishment or modification of child support.

____**A Child Support Guidelines Worksheet IS NOT being filed in this case.** The establishment or modification of child support is not an issue in this case.

I certify that a copy of this financial affidavit was [check all used]: ( ) e-mailed ( ) mailed, ( ) faxed ( ) hand delivered to the person(s) listed below on *{date}* _____.

Other party or his/her attorney:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es): _____

I understand that I am swearing or affirming under oath to the truthfulness of the claims made in this affidavit and that the punishment for knowingly making a false statement includes fines and/or imprisonment.

Dated: _____

_____
Signature of Party
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es): _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

_____
[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or deputy clerk]

_____ Personally known
_____ Produced identification
Type of identification produced_____

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:
[fill in **all** blanks] This form was prepared for the: *{choose only **one**}* ( ) Petitioner ( ) Respondent
This form was completed with the assistance of:
{name of individual} _____,
{name of business} _____,
{address} _____,
{city} _____,*{state}* _____, *{telephone number}* _____.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW FORM 12.902(j), NOTICE OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

When should this form be used?

This form must be completed and filed by each party in all **paternity**, **child support**, and **dissolution of marriage** cases, regardless of whether the case involves a minor child(ren) and/or property.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. After completing this form, you should **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where your case was filed and keep a copy for your records.

What should I do next?

A copy of this form must be mailed or hand delivered to the other party in your case, if it is not **served** on him or her with your initial papers.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read "General Information for Self-Represented Litigants" found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **"bold underline"** in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see sections 61.052 and 61.13, Florida Statutes.

Special notes...

If this is a domestic violence case and you want to keep your address confidential for safety reasons, do not enter the address, telephone, and fax information at the bottom of this form. Instead, file **Petitioner's Request for Confidential Filing of Address**, ✐❒ Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(i).

Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, ✐❑ Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900(a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____
Division: _____

_____ ,
Petitioner,

and

_____ ,
Respondent.

NOTICE OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

I, *{full legal name}* _____, certify that my social security number is _____, as required in section 61.052(7), sections 61.13(9) or (10), section 742.031(3), sections 742.032(1)–(3), and/or sections 742.10(1)–(2), Florida Statutes. My date of birth is _____.

[√ **one** only]

1. This notice is being filed in a dissolution of marriage case in which the parties have **no** minor children in common.

2. This notice is being filed in a paternity or child support case, or in a dissolution of marriage in which the parties have minor children in common. The minor child(ren)'s name(s), date(s) of birth, and social security number(s) is/are:

Name	**Birth date**	**Social Security Number**

{Attach additional pages if necessary.}

Disclosure of social security numbers shall be limited to the purpose of administration of the Title IV-D program for child support enforcement.

I understand that I am swearing or affirming under oath to the truthfulness of the claims made in this notice and that the punishment for knowingly making a false statement includes fines and/or imprisonment.

Dated: _____

_____
Signature
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone Number:_____
Fax Number: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

_____
[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk]

____ Personally known
____ Produced identification
Type of identification produced _____

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW: [✍ fill in **all** blanks]

I, *{full legal name and trade name of nonlawyer}*_____,
a nonlawyer, located at *{street}*_____, *{city}* _____,
{state} _____, *{phone}* _____, helped *{name}* _____,
who is the [√ **one** only] ___ petitioner **or** ___ respondent, fill out this form.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA FAMILY LAW RULES OF PROCEDURE FORM 12.902(e), CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES WORKSHEET (09/12)

When should this form be used?

You should complete this worksheet if **child support** is being requested in your case. If you know the income of the other **party**, this worksheet should accompany your **financial affidavit**. If you do not know the other party's income, this form must be completed after the other party files his or her financial affidavit, and **serves** a copy on you.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. You should file the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where your case is filed and keep a copy for your records.

What should I do next?

A copy of this form must be served on the other party in your case. **Service** must be in accordance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.516.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read "General Information for Self-Represented Litigants" found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **"bold underline"** in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see section 61.30, Florida Statutes.

Special notes…

If you want to keep your address confidential because you are the victim of sexual battery, aggravated child abuse, aggravated stalking, harassment, aggravated battery or domestic violence, do not enter the address, telephone, and fax information at the bottom of this form. Instead, file **Request for Confidential Filing of Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(h).

The chart below contains the guideline amounts that you should use when calculating child support. This amount is based on the number of children and the combined income of the parents, and it is divided between the parents in direct proportion to their income or earning capacity. From time to time, some of the amounts in the child support guidelines chart will change. Be sure you have the most recent version of the chart before using it.

Because the guidelines are based on monthly amounts, it may be necessary to convert some income and expense figures from other frequencies to monthly. You should do this as follows:

If payment is twice per month	Payment amount	x	2	=	**Monthly amount**
If payment is every two weeks	Payment amount	x	26	=	Yearly amount due
	Yearly amount	÷	12	=	**Monthly amount**
If payment is weekly	Weekly amount	x	52	=	Yearly amount due
	Yearly amount	÷	12	=	**Monthly amount**

If you or the other parent request that the court award an amount that is different than the guideline amount, you must also complete and attach a **Motion to Deviate from Child Support Guidelines**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.943.

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CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES CHART

Combined Monthly Available Income	One Child	Two Children	Three Children	Four Children	Five Children	Six Children
800.00	190	211	213	216	218	220
850.00	202	257	259	262	265	268
900.00	213	302	305	309	312	315
950.00	224	347	351	355	359	363
1000.00	235	365	397	402	406	410
1050.00	246	382	443	448	453	458
1100.00	258	400	489	495	500	505
1150.00	269	417	522	541	547	553
1200.00	280	435	544	588	594	600
1250.00	290	451	565	634	641	648
1300.00	300	467	584	659	688	695
1350.00	310	482	603	681	735	743
1400.00	320	498	623	702	765	790
1450.00	330	513	642	724	789	838
1500.00	340	529	662	746	813	869
1550.00	350	544	681	768	836	895
1600.00	360	560	701	790	860	920
1650.00	370	575	720	812	884	945
1700.00	380	591	740	833	907	971
1750.00	390	606	759	855	931	996
1800.00	400	622	779	877	955	1022
1850.00	410	638	798	900	979	1048
1900.00	421	654	818	923	1004	1074
1950.00	431	670	839	946	1029	1101
2000.00	442	686	859	968	1054	1128
2050.00	452	702	879	991	1079	1154
2100.00	463	718	899	1014	1104	1181
2150.00	473	734	919	1037	1129	1207
2200.00	484	751	940	1060	1154	1234
2250.00	494	767	960	1082	1179	1261
2300.00	505	783	980	1105	1204	1287
2350.00	515	799	1000	1128	1229	1314
2400.00	526	815	1020	1151	1254	1340
2450.00	536	831	1041	1174	1279	1367
2500.00	547	847	1061	1196	1304	1394
2550.00	557	864	1081	1219	1329	1420
2600.00	568	880	1101	1242	1354	1447
2650.00	578	896	1121	1265	1379	1473

Combined Monthly Available Income	One Child	Two Children	Three Children	Four Children	Five Children	Six Children
2700.00	588	912	1141	1287	1403	1500
2750.00	597	927	1160	1308	1426	1524
2800.00	607	941	1178	1328	1448	1549
2850.00	616	956	1197	1349	1471	1573
2900.00	626	971	1215	1370	1494	1598
2950.00	635	986	1234	1391	1517	1622
3000.00	644	1001	1252	1412	1540	1647
3050.00	654	1016	1271	1433	1563	1671
3100.00	663	1031	1289	1453	1586	1695
3150.00	673	1045	1308	1474	1608	1720
3200.00	682	1060	1327	1495	1631	1744
3250.00	691	1075	1345	1516	1654	1769
3300.00	701	1090	1364	1537	1677	1793
3350.00	710	1105	1382	1558	1700	1818
3400.00	720	1120	1401	1579	1723	1842
3450.00	729	1135	1419	1599	1745	1867
3500.00	738	1149	1438	1620	1768	1891
3550.00	748	1164	1456	1641	1791	1915
3600.00	757	1179	1475	1662	1814	1940
3650.00	767	1194	1493	1683	1837	1964
3700.00	776	1208	1503	1702	1857	1987
3750.00	784	1221	1520	1721	1878	2009
3800.00	793	1234	1536	1740	1899	2031
3850.00	802	1248	1553	1759	1920	2053
3900.00	811	1261	1570	1778	1940	2075
3950.00	819	1275	1587	1797	1961	2097
4000.00	828	1288	1603	1816	1982	2119
4050.00	837	1302	1620	1835	2002	2141
4100.00	846	1315	1637	1854	2023	2163
4150.00	854	1329	1654	1873	2044	2185
4200.00	863	1342	1670	1892	2064	2207
4250.00	872	1355	1687	1911	2085	2229
4300.00	881	1369	1704	1930	2106	2251
4350.00	889	1382	1721	1949	2127	2273
4400.00	898	1396	1737	1968	2147	2295
4450.00	907	1409	1754	1987	2168	2317
4500.00	916	1423	1771	2006	2189	2339
4550.00	924	1436	1788	2024	2209	2361
4600.00	933	1450	1804	2043	2230	2384
4650.00	942	1463	1821	2062	2251	2406

Combined Monthly Available Income	One Child	Two Children	Three Children	Four Children	Five Children	Six Children
4700.00	951	1477	1838	2081	2271	2428
4750.00	959	1490	1855	2100	2292	2450
4800.00	968	1503	1871	2119	2313	2472
4850.00	977	1517	1888	2138	2334	2494
4900.00	986	1530	1905	2157	2354	2516
4950.00	993	1542	1927	2174	2372	2535
5000.00	1000	1551	1939	2188	2387	2551
5050.00	1006	1561	1952	2202	2402	2567
5100.00	1013	1571	1964	2215	2417	2583
5150.00	1019	1580	1976	2229	2432	2599
5200.00	1025	1590	1988	2243	2447	2615
5250.00	1032	1599	2000	2256	2462	2631
5300.00	1038	1609	2012	2270	2477	2647
5350.00	1045	1619	2024	2283	2492	2663
5400.00	1051	1628	2037	2297	2507	2679
5450.00	1057	1638	2049	2311	2522	2695
5500.00	1064	1647	2061	2324	2537	2711
5550.00	1070	1657	2073	2338	2552	2727
5600.00	1077	1667	2085	2352	2567	2743
5650.00	1083	1676	2097	2365	2582	2759
5700.00	1089	1686	2109	2379	2597	2775
5750.00	1096	1695	2122	2393	2612	2791
5800.00	1102	1705	2134	2406	2627	2807
5850.00	1107	1713	2144	2418	2639	2820
5900.00	1111	1721	2155	2429	2651	2833
5950.00	1116	1729	2165	2440	2663	2847
6000.00	1121	1737	2175	2451	2676	2860
6050.00	1126	1746	2185	2462	2688	2874
6100.00	1131	1754	2196	2473	2700	2887
6150.00	1136	1762	2206	2484	2712	2900
6200.00	1141	1770	2216	2495	2724	2914
6250.00	1145	1778	2227	2506	2737	2927
6300.00	1150	1786	2237	2517	2749	2941
6350.00	1155	1795	2247	2529	2761	2954
6400.00	1160	1803	2258	2540	2773	2967
6450.00	1165	1811	2268	2551	2785	2981
6500.00	1170	1819	2278	2562	2798	2994
6550.00	1175	1827	2288	2573	2810	3008
6600.00	1179	1835	2299	2584	2822	3021
6650.00	1184	1843	2309	2595	2834	3034

Combined Monthly Available Income	One Child	Two Children	Three Children	Four Children	Five Children	Six Children
6700.00	1189	1850	2317	2604	2845	3045
6750.00	1193	1856	2325	2613	2854	3055
6800.00	1196	1862	2332	2621	2863	3064
6850.00	1200	1868	2340	2630	2872	3074
6900.00	1204	1873	2347	2639	2882	3084
6950.00	1208	1879	2355	2647	2891	3094
7000.00	1212	1885	2362	2656	2900	3103
7050.00	1216	1891	2370	2664	2909	3113
7100.00	1220	1897	2378	2673	2919	3123
7150.00	1224	1903	2385	2681	2928	3133
7200.00	1228	1909	2393	2690	2937	3142
7250.00	1232	1915	2400	2698	2946	3152
7300.00	1235	1921	2408	2707	2956	3162
7350.00	1239	1927	2415	2716	2965	3172
7400.00	1243	1933	2423	2724	2974	3181
7450.00	1247	1939	2430	2733	2983	3191
7500.00	1251	1945	2438	2741	2993	3201
7550.00	1255	1951	2446	2750	3002	3211
7600.00	1259	1957	2453	2758	3011	3220
7650.00	1263	1963	2461	2767	3020	3230
7700.00	1267	1969	2468	2775	3030	3240
7750.00	1271	1975	2476	2784	3039	3250
7800.00	1274	1981	2483	2792	3048	3259
7850.00	1278	1987	2491	2801	3057	3269
7900.00	1282	1992	2498	2810	3067	3279
7950.00	1286	1998	2506	2818	3076	3289
8000.00	1290	2004	2513	2827	3085	3298
8050.00	1294	2010	2521	2835	3094	3308
8100.00	1298	2016	2529	2844	3104	3318
8150.00	1302	2022	2536	2852	3113	3328
8200.00	1306	2028	2544	2861	3122	3337
8250.00	1310	2034	2551	2869	3131	3347
8300.00	1313	2040	2559	2878	3141	3357
8350.00	1317	2046	2566	2887	3150	3367
8400.00	1321	2052	2574	2895	3159	3376
8450.00	1325	2058	2581	2904	3168	3386
8500.00	1329	2064	2589	2912	3178	3396
8550.00	1333	2070	2597	2921	3187	3406
8600.00	1337	2076	2604	2929	3196	3415
8650.00	1341	2082	2612	2938	3205	3425

Combined Monthly Available Income	One Child	Two Children	Three Children	Four Children	Five Children	Six Children
8700.00	1345	2088	2619	2946	3215	3435
8750.00	1349	2094	2627	2955	3224	3445
8800.00	1352	2100	2634	2963	3233	3454
8850.00	1356	2106	2642	2972	3242	3464
8900.00	1360	2111	2649	2981	3252	3474
8950.00	1364	2117	2657	2989	3261	3484
9000.00	1368	2123	2664	2998	3270	3493
9050.00	1372	2129	2672	3006	3279	3503
9100.00	1376	2135	2680	3015	3289	3513
9150.00	1380	2141	2687	3023	3298	3523
9200.00	1384	2147	2695	3032	3307	3532
9250.00	1388	2153	2702	3040	3316	3542
9300.00	1391	2159	2710	3049	3326	3552
9350.00	1395	2165	2717	3058	3335	3562
9400.00	1399	2171	2725	3066	3344	3571
9450.00	1403	2177	2732	3075	3353	3581
9500.00	1407	2183	2740	3083	3363	3591
9550.00	1411	2189	2748	3092	3372	3601
9600.00	1415	2195	2755	3100	3381	3610
9650.00	1419	2201	2763	3109	3390	3620
9700.00	1422	2206	2767	3115	3396	3628
9750.00	1425	2210	2772	3121	3402	3634
9800.00	1427	2213	2776	3126	3408	3641
9850.00	1430	2217	2781	3132	3414	3647
9900.00	1432	2221	2786	3137	3420	3653
9950.00	1435	2225	2791	3143	3426	3659
10000.00	1437	2228	2795	3148	3432	3666

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____
Division: _____

_____,
Petitioner,
and

_____,
Respondent.

NOTICE OF FILING CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES WORKSHEET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that *{name}*_____, is filing his/her Child Support Guidelines Worksheet attached and labeled Exhibit 1.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this Notice of Filing with the Child Support Guidelines Worksheet was [**check all used**]: ( ) e-mailed ( ) mailed ( ) faxed ( ) hand delivered to the person(s) listed below on *{date}*_____.

Other party or his/her attorney:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es): _____

_____
Signature of Party or his/her Attorney
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es): _____
Florida Bar Number: _____

CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES WORKSHEET			
	A. FATHER	**B.** MOTHER	TOTAL
1. Present Net Monthly Income Enter the amount from line 27, Section I of Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) or (c), Financial Affidavit.			
2. Basic Monthly Obligation There is (are) *{number}*_____ minor child(ren) common to the parties. Using the total amount from line 1, enter the appropriate amount from the child support guidelines chart.			
3. Percent of Financial Responsibility Divide the amount on line 1A by the total amount on line 1 to get Father's percentage of financial responsibility. Enter answer on line 3A. Divide the amount on line 1B by the total amount on line 1 to get Mother's percentage of financial responsibility. Enter answer on line 3B.	%	%	
4. Share of Basic Monthly Obligation Multiply the number on line 2 by the percentage on line 3A to get Father's share of basic obligation. Enter answer on line 4A. Multiply the number on line 2 by the percentage on line 3B to get Mother's share of basic obligation. Enter answer on line 4B.			
Additional Support — Health Insurance, Child Care & Other			
5. a. 100% of Monthly Child Care Costs [Child care costs should not exceed the level required to provide quality care from a licensed source. See section 61.30(7), Florida Statutes, for more information.]			
b. Total Monthly Child(ren)'s Health Insurance Cost [This is only amounts actually paid for health insurance on the child(ren).]			

CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES WORKSHEET			
	A. FATHER	**B.** MOTHER	TOTAL
c. Total Monthly Child(ren)'s Noncovered Medical, Dental and Prescription Medication Costs			
d. Total Monthly Child Care & Health Costs [Add lines 5a + 5b +5c].			
6. Additional Support Payments Multiply the number on line 5d by the percentage on line 3A to determine the Father's share. Enter answer on line 6A. Multiply the number on line 5d by the percentage on line 3B to determine the Mother's share. Enter answer on line 6B.			
Statutory Adjustments/Credits			
7. a. Monthly child care payments actually made			
b. Monthly health insurance payments actually made			
c. Other payments/credits actually made for any noncovered medical, dental and prescription medication expenses of the child(ren) not ordered to be separately paid on a percentage basis. (See section 61.30 (8), Florida Statutes)			
8. Total Support Payments actually made (Add 7a though 7c)			
9. MINIMUM CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATION FOR EACH PARENT [Line 4 plus line 6; minus line 8]			
Substantial Time-Sharing (GROSS UP METHOD) If each parent exercises time-sharing at least 20 percent of the overnights in the year (73 overnights in the year), complete Nos. 10 through 21			
	A. FATHER	**B.** MOTHER	TOTAL
10. Basic Monthly Obligation x 150% [Multiply line 2 by 1.5]			

CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES WORKSHEET			
	A. FATHER	**B.** MOTHER	TOTAL
11. Increased Basic Obligation for each parent. Multiply the number on line 10 by the percentage on line 3A to determine the Father's share. Enter answer on line 11A. Multiply the number on line 10 by the percentage on line 3B to determine the Mother's share. Enter answer on line 11B.			
12. Percentage of overnight stays with each parent. The child(ren) spend(s) _____overnight stays with the Father each year. Using the number on the above line, multiply it by 100 and divide by 365. Enter this number on line 12A. The child(ren) spend(s) _____ overnight stays with the Mother each year. Using the number on the above line, multiply it by 100 and divide by 365. Enter this number on line 12B.	%	%	
13. Parent's support multiplied by other Parent's percentage of overnights. [Multiply line 11A by line 12B. Enter this number in 13A. Multiply line 11B by line 12A. Enter this number in 13B.]			
Additional Support — Health Insurance, Child Care & Other			
14. a. Total Monthly Child Care Costs [Child care costs should not exceed the level required to provide quality care from a licensed source. See section 61.30(7), Florida Statutes, for more information.]			
b. Total Monthly Child(ren)'s Health Insurance Cost [This is only amounts actually paid for health insurance on the child(ren).]			
c. Total Monthly Child(ren)'s Noncovered Medical, Dental and Prescription Medication Costs.			
d. Total Monthly Child Care & Health Costs [Add lines 14a + 14b + 14c.]			

CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES WORKSHEET			
	A. FATHER	**B.** MOTHER	TOTAL
15. Additional Support Payments. Multiply the number on line 14d by the percentage on line 3A to determine the Father's share. Enter answer on line 15A. Multiply the number on line 14d by the percentage on line 3B to determine the Mother's share. Enter answer on line 15B.			
Statutory Adjustments/Credits			
16. a. Monthly child care payments actually made			
b. Monthly health insurance payments actually made			
c. Other payments/credits actually made for any noncovered medical, dental and prescription medication expenses of the child(ren) not ordered to be separately paid on a percentage basis. [See section 61.30(8), Florida Statutes]			
17. Total Support Payments actually made [Add 16a though 16c]			
18. Total Additional Support Transfer Amount [Line 15 minus line 17; enter any negative number as zero)			
19. Total Child Support Owed from Father to Mother [Add line 13A plus line 18A]			
20. Total Child Support Owed from Mother to Father [Add line 13B plus line 18B]			
21. Actual Child Support to Be Paid. [Comparing lines 19 and 20, Subtract the smaller amount owed from the larger amount owed and enter the result in the column for the parent that owes the larger amount of support]	$		

ADJUSTMENTS TO GUIDELINES AMOUNT. If you or the other parent is requesting the Court to award a child support amount that is more or less than the child support guidelines, you must complete and file Motion to Deviate from Child Support Guidelines, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.943.

[check **one** only]

a. ____ **Deviation from the guidelines amount is requested.** The Motion to Deviate from Child Support Guidelines, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.943, is attached.

b. ____ **Deviation from the guidelines amount is NOT requested.** The Motion to Deviate from Child Support Guidelines, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.943, is not attached.

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:
[fill in **all** blanks] This form was prepared for the: *{choose only **one**}* ( ) Petitioner ( ) Respondent
This form was completed with the assistance of:
{name of individual} _____,
{name of business} _____,
{address} _____,
{city} _____,*{state}* ,_____ *{telephone number}*_____.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA FAMILY LAW RULES OF PROCEDURE FORM 12.932, CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH MANDATORY DISCLOSURE (09/12)

When should this form be used?

Mandatory disclosure requires each **party** in a **dissolution of marriage** case to provide the other party with certain financial information and documents. These documents must be served on the other party within 45 days of **service** of the petition for **dissolution of marriage** or supplemental petition for modification on the **respondent**. The mandatory disclosure rule applies to all original and **supplemental** dissolution of marriage cases, except simplified dissolution of marriage cases and cases where the respondent is served by **constructive service** and does not answer. You should use this form to notify the court and the other party that you have complied with the mandatory disclosure rule.

Each party must provide the other party with the documents listed in section 2 of this form if the relief being sought is permanent regardless of whether it is an initial or supplemental proceeding. ONLY THE ORIGINAL OF THE COMPLETED FORM IS FILED WITH THE COURT. EXCEPT FOR THE FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT AND CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES WORKSHEET, NO DOCUMENTS SHALL BE FILED IN THE COURT FILE WITHOUT A PRIOR COURT ORDER. THE DOCUMENTS LISTED ON THE FORM ARE TO BE GIVEN TO THE OTHER PARTY. If your individual gross annual income is under $50,000, you should complete the **Family Law Financial Affidavit (Short Form)**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b). If your individual gross annual income is $50,000 or more, you should complete the **Family Law Financial Affidavit (Long Form)**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(c).

In addition, there are separate mandatory disclosure requirements that apply to **temporary financial hearings**, which are listed in section 1 of this form. The party seeking temporary financial relief must serve these documents on the other party with the notice of temporary financial hearing. The responding party must serve the required documents on the party seeking temporary relief. Service by e-mail **or** mail shall be at least 7 days before the temporary financial relief hearing. Service by delivery shall be no later than 5:00 p.m., 2 business days before the hearing. Any documents that have already been served under the requirements for temporary or initial proceedings do not need to be reserved again in the same proceeding. If a supplemental petition is filed, seeking modification, then the mandatory disclosure requirements begin again.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. After completing this form, you should **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where your case is filed and keep a copy for your records. A copy of this form must be served on any other party in your case. **Service** must be in accordance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.516.

What should I do next?

After you have provided the other party all of the financial information and documents and have filed this form certifying that you have complied with this rule, you are under a continuing duty to promptly give the other party any information or documents that change your financial status or that make the information already provided inaccurate. You should not file with the clerk any of the documents listed in the certificate of compliance other than the financial affidavit and the child support guidelines worksheet. Refer to the instructions regarding the **petition** in your case to determine how you should proceed after filing this form.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read "General Information for Self-Represented Litigants" found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **bold underline** in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see Florida Family Law Rule of Procedure 12.285.

Special notes…

You may provide copies of required documents; however, the originals must be produced for inspection if the other party requests to see them.

Although the financial affidavits are based on individual gross income, either party may ask the other party to complete the **Family Law Financial Affidavit (Long Form),** Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(c), by serving the appropriate interrogatory form. (See **Standard Family Law Interrogatories**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.930(b) (original proceedings) or (c) (modification proceedings)).

Any portion of the mandatory disclosure rule may be modified by order of the **judge** or agreement of the parties. Therefore, you and your **spouse** may agree that you will not require each other to produce the documents required under the mandatory disclosure rule. This exception does **not** apply to the **Financial Affidavit**, Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) or (c), which is required in all cases and cannot be waived.

Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900(a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.:_____
Division: _____

_____,
Petitioner,

and

_____,
Respondent.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH MANDATORY DISCLOSURE

ONLY THE ORIGINAL OF THIS COMPLETED FORM IS FILED WITH THE COURT. <u>EXCEPT FOR THE FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT AND CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES WORKSHEET, NO DOCUMENTS SHALL BE FILED IN THE COURT FILE WITHOUT A PRIOR COURT ORDER.</u> THE DOCUMENTS LISTED BELOW ARE TO BE GIVEN TO THE OTHER PARTY.

I, *{full legal name}* _____, certify that I have complied with the mandatory disclosure required by Florida Family Law Rule 12.285 as follows:

1. FOR TEMPORARY FINANCIAL RELIEF, ONLY:
The date the following documents were served: _____.
[Check **all** that apply]

a. ____ Financial Affidavit
   ( ) Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) (short form)
   ( ) Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(c) (long form)

b. ____ All personal (1040) federal tax, gift tax, and intangible personal property tax returns for the preceding year; **or**
   ( ) Transcript of tax return as provided by IRS form 4506-T; **or**
   ( ) IRS forms W-2, 1099, and K-1 for the past year because the income tax return for the past year has not been prepared.

c. ____ Pay stubs or other evidence of earned income for the 3 months before the service of the financial affidavit.

2. FOR INITIAL, SUPPLEMENTAL, AND PERMANENT FINANCIAL RELIEF:
The date the following documents were served: _____.
[Check **all** that apply]

a. ____ Financial Affidavit
   ( ) Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) (short form)

( ) Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(c) (long form)

b. ____ All personal (1040) federal and state income tax returns, gift tax returns, and intangible personal property tax returns for the preceding 3 years;
( ) IRS forms W-2, 1099, and K-1 for the past year because the income tax return for the past year has not been prepared.

c. ____ Pay stubs or other evidence of earned income for the 3 months before the service of the financial affidavit.

d. ___ A statement identifying the source and amount of all income for the 3 months before the service of the financial affidavit, if not reflected on the pay stubs produced.

e. ___ All loan applications and financial statements prepared for any purpose or used for any purpose within the 12 months preceding the service of the financial affidavit.

f. ___ All deeds to real estate in which I presently own or owned an interest within the past 3 years. All promissory notes in which I presently own or owned an interest within the last 12 months. All present leases in which I own an interest.

g. ___ All periodic statements for the last 3 months for all checking accounts and for the last year for all savings accounts, money market funds, certificates of deposit, etc.

h. ___ All brokerage account statements for the last 12 months.

i. ___ Most recent statement for any pension, profit sharing, deferred compensation, or retirement plan (for example, IRA, 401(k), 403(b), SEP, KEOGH, etc.) and summary plan description for any such plan in which I am a participant or alternate payee.

j. ___ The declaration page, the last periodic statement, and the certificate for any group insurance for all life insurance policies insuring my life or the life of me or my spouse.

k. ___ All health and dental insurance cards covering either me or my spouse and/or our dependent child(ren).

l. ___ Corporate, partnership, and trust tax returns for the last 3 tax years, in which I have an ownership or interest greater than or equal to 30%.

m. ___ All credit card and charge account statements and other records showing my (our) indebtedness as of the date of the filing of this action and for the prior 3 months. All promissory notes on which I presently owe or owned within the past year. All lease agreements I presently owe.

n. ___ All premarital and marital agreements between the parties to this case.

o. ___ If a modification proceeding, all written agreements entered into between the parties at any time since the order to be modified was entered.

p. ___ All documents and tangible evidence relating to claims for an unequal distribution of marital property, enhancement or appreciation in nonmarital property, or nonmarital status of an asset or debt.

q. ___ Any court order directing that I pay or receive spousal support (alimony) or child support.

I certify that a copy of this document was [**check all used**]: ( ) e-mailed ( ) mailed
( ) faxed ( ) hand delivered to the person(s) listed below on *{date}*_____.

Other party or his/her attorney:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es):_____

I understand that I am swearing or affirming under oath to the accuracy of my compliance with the mandatory disclosure requirements of Florida Family Law Rule of Procedure 12.285 and that, unless otherwise indicated with specificity, this disclosure is complete. I further understand that the punishment for knowingly making a false statement or incomplete disclosure includes fines and/or imprisonment.

_____
Signature of Party
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip:_____
Telephone Number: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es):_____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.]

____ Personally known
____ Produced identification
Type of identification produced _____

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:
[fill in **all** blanks] This form was prepared for the: *{choose only **one**}* ( ) Petitioner ( ) Respondent
This form was completed with the assistance of:
{name of individual} _____,
{name of business} _____,
*{address}*_____,
*{city}*_____,*{state}*_____, *{telephone number}*_____.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW FORM 12.943, MOTION TO DEVIATE FROM CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES (05/12)

When should this form be used?

Child support in Florida is determined by the child support guidelines found in section 61.30, Florida Statutes. The court, at its discretion, may raise or lower the child support guidelines amount by up to 5%. In addition, the court may raise or lower the guidelines support amount by more than 5%, if written reasons are given for the adjustment. The court may make these additional adjustments based on certain considerations, which are reflected in this form. You should review this form to determine if any of the reasons for adjusting the child support guidelines amount apply to your situation and you should complete this form **only** if you want the court to order **more child support or less child support** than the amount required by the child support guidelines.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. After completing this form, you should **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where your case is filed and keep a copy for your records. Because you are filing the **petition** in this proceeding, you are also referred to as the **petitioner** and the other **party** as the **respondent.**

What should I do next?

A copy of this form must be mailed **or** hand delivered to the other party in your case.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read General Information for Self-Represented Litigants found at the beginning of these forms. For further information, see section 61.30, Florida Statutes.

Special notes…

More information on the child support guidelines as well as a chart for converting income and expenses to monthly amounts if paid or incurred on other than a monthly basis is contained in the instructions to **Florida Family Law Financial Affidavit,** Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) or (c), and the **Child Support Guidelines Worksheet,** Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(e).

With this form you must also file the following, if not already filed:

- **Florida Family Law Financial Affidavit**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) or (c).
- **Child Support Guidelines Worksheet,** Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(e). (If you do not know the other party's income, you should file this worksheet as soon as you receive a copy of his or her **financial affidavit**.)

Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules

of Procedure Form 12.900 (a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____
Division: _____

_____,
Petitioner,

and

_____,
Respondent.

MOTION TO DEVIATE FROM CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES

( ) Petitioner ( ) Respondent requests that the Court enter an order granting the following:

SECTION I
[Choose only **one**]

A. ___ **MORE** child support than the amount required by the child support guidelines. The Court should order MORE child support than the amount required by the child support guidelines because of:
[Choose **all** that apply to your situation]
1. ___ Extraordinary medical, psychological, educational, or dental expenses;
2. ___ Seasonal variations in one or both parent's income or expenses
3. ___ Age(s) of the child(ren), taking into account the greater needs of older child(ren);
4. ___ Special needs, such as costs that may be associated with the disability of a child or child(ren), that have traditionally been met within the family budget even though the fulfilling of those needs will cause support to exceed the presumptive amount established by the guidelines;
5. ___ Total available assets of obligee, obligor, and the child(ren);
6. ___ Impact of the Internal Revenue Service Child & Dependent Care Tax Credit, Earned Income Tax Credit, and dependency exemption and waiver of that exemption;
7. ___ The Parenting Plan, such as where the child or children spend a significant amount of time, but less than 20 percent of the overnights, with one parent, thereby reducing the financial expenditures incurred by the other parent, or the refusal of a parent to become involved in the activities of the child(ren) has increased the financial expenditure incurred by the obligee;
8. ___ The obligee parent's low income and ability to maintain the basic necessities of the home for the child(ren);
9. ___ The likelihood that either parent will actually exercise the time-sharing schedule set forth in the parenting plan and/or whether all the children are exercising the same time-sharing schedule;
10. ___Any other adjustment that is needed to achieve an equitable result, which may include reasonable and necessary expenses or debts jointly incurred during the marriage.
Explain any items marked above: _____

B. ___**LESS** child support than the amount required by the child support guidelines. The Court should order LESS child support than the amount required by the child support guidelines because of:
[Choose **all** that apply to your situation]

1. ___Extraordinary medical, psychological, educational, or dental expenses;
2. ___Independent income of child(ren), excluding the child(ren)'s SSI (supplemental security income)
3. ___Payment of support for a parent which has been regularly paid and for which there is a demonstrated need;
4. ___Seasonal variations in one or both parent's income or expenses;
5. ___Age of the child(ren), taking into account the greater needs of older child(ren);
6. ___Total available assets of obligee, obligor, and child(ren);
7. ___ Impact of the Internal Revenue Service Child & Dependent Care Tax Credit, Earned Income Tax Credit, and dependency exemption and waiver of that exemption;
8. ___ Application of the child support guidelines which requires the obligor to pay more than 55% of gross income for a single support order;
9. ___ Residency of subsequently born or adopted child(ren) with the obligor, include consideration of the subsequent spouse's income;
10. ___ The Parenting Plan, where the child(ren) spend a significant amount of time, but less than 20 percent of the overnights, with one parent, thereby reducing the financial expenditures incurred by the other parent; or the refusal of a parent to become involved in the activities of the child(ren)has reduced the financial expenditure of that parent;
11. ___Any other adjustment that is needed to achieve an equitable result, which may include reasonable and necessary expenses or debts jointly incurred during the marriage.
Explain any items marked above:_____
_____
_____.

SECTION II. INCOME AND ASSETS OF CHILD(REN) COMMON TO BOTH PARTIES

List the total of any independent income or assets of the child(ren) common to both parties (income from Social Security, gifts, stocks/bonds, employment, trust fund(s), investment(s), etc.). Attach an explanation.

TOTAL VALUE OF ASSETS OF CHILD(REN)	**$ _____**
TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME OF CHILD(REN)	**$ _____**

SECTION III. EXPENSES FOR CHILD(REN) COMMON TO BOTH PARTIES

All amounts must be MONTHLY. See the instructions with this form to figure out money amounts for anything that is NOT paid monthly. Attach more paper, if needed. Items included under other should be listed separately with separate dollar amounts.

1. $ _____ Monthly nursery, babysitting, or other child care
2. $ _____ Monthly after-school care
3. $ _____ Monthly school tuition
4. $ _____ Monthly school supplies, books, and fees
5. $ _____ Monthly after-school activities

6. $ _____ Monthly lunch money
7. $ _____ Monthly private lessons/tutoring
8. $ _____ Monthly allowance
9. $ _____ Monthly clothing
10. $ _____ Monthly uniforms
11. $ _____ Monthly entertainment (movies, birthday parties, etc.)
12. $ _____Monthly health and dental insurance premiums
13. $ _____Monthly medical, dental, prescription charges (unreimbursed)
14. $ _____Monthly psychiatric/psychological/counselor (unreimbursed)
15. $ _____Monthly orthodontic (unreimbursed)
16. $ _____Monthly grooming
17. $ _____Monthly non-prescription medications/cosmetics/toiletries/sundries
18. $ _____Monthly gifts from children to others (other children, relatives, teachers, etc.)
19. $ _____Monthly camp or other summer activities
20. $ _____Monthly clubs (Boy/Girl Scouts, etc.) or recreational fees
21. $ _____Monthly visitation expenses (for nonresidential parent)
    Explain: _____
22. $ _____ Monthly insurance (life, etc.) {explain}: _____
    Other {explain}:
23. _____
24. _____
25. _____
26. $_____**TOTAL EXPENSES FOR CHILD(REN) COMMON TO BOTH PARTIES**
    (add lines 1 through 25)

I have filed, will file, or am filing with this form the following additional documents:

1. Florida Family Law Family Law Financial Affidavit, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) or (c).
2. Child Support Guidelines Worksheet, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(e).

I certify that a copy of this document was [Choose all used]( ) mailed ( ) faxed ( ) emailed ( ) hand delivered to the person(s) listed below on *{date}* _____.

Other party or his/her attorney:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Fax Number: _____
Email Address: _____

I understand that I am swearing or affirming under oath to the truthfulness of the claims made in this motion and that the punishment for knowingly making a false statement includes fines and/or imprisonment.

_____
Dated:

_____
Signature
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone Number:_____
Fax Number:_____
Email Address: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

_____
[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.]

____ Personally known
____ Produced identification
Type of identification produced_____

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:
[fill in **all** blanks] This form was prepared for the: *{choose only **one**}* ( ) Husband ( ) Wife
This form was completed with the assistance of:
{name of individual} _____,
{name of business} _____,
{address} _____,
{city} _____, *{state}* _____, *{telephone number}* _____.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW FORM 12.995(a), PARENTING PLAN (10/11)

When should this form be used?

A **Parenting Plan** is required in all cases involving **time-sharing** with minor child(ren), even when time-sharing is not in dispute. This form or a similar form should be used in the development of a Parenting Plan. If the case involves **supervised time-sharing**, the **Supervised/Safety Focused Parenting Plan**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.995 (b) or a similar form should be used. If the case involves relocation, pursuant to Section 61.13001, Florida Statutes, then a **Relocation/Long Distance Parenting Plan,** Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.995(c) or a similar form should be used.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. Please either delete or strike-through terms or paragraphs that are inappropriate or in applicable to your agreement. If an agreement has been reached, **both** parties must sign the Parenting Plan and have their signatures witnessed by a **notary public** or **deputy clerk**. After completing this form, you should **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where the **petition** was filed and keep a copy for your records. You should then refer to the instructions for your petition, **answer**, or answer and **counterpetition** concerning the procedures for setting a hearing or **trial** (**final hearing**). If the parents have not reached an agreement, a proposed Parenting Plan may be filed by either parent at the time of or any time prior to the final hearing. If an agreed Parenting Plan is not filed by the parties, the court shall establish a Plan.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read "General Information for Self-Represented Litigants" found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **"bold underline"** in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see chapter 61, Florida Statutes, and the instructions for the petition and/or answer that were filed in this case.

Special notes…

At a minimum, the **Parenting Plan** must describe in adequate detail:

- How the parties will share and be responsible for the daily tasks associated with the upbringing of the child(ren),
- The **time-sharing schedule** arrangements that specify the time that the minor child(ren) will spend with each parent,
- A designation of who will be responsible for any and all forms of health care, school-related matters, including the address to be used for school-boundary determination and registration, other activities, and
- The methods and technologies that the parents will use to communicate with the child(ren).

The best interests of the child(ren) is the primary consideration in the Parenting Plan. In creating the Parenting Plan, all circumstances between the parents, including their historic relationship, domestic violence, and other factors must be taken into consideration. Determination of the best interests of the child(ren) shall be made by evaluating all of the factors affecting the welfare and interest of the particular minor child(ren) and the circumstances of that family, as listed in section 61.13(3), Florida Statutes, including, but not limited to:

- The demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to facilitate and encourage a close and continuing parent-child relationship, to honor the time-sharing schedule, and to be reasonable when changes are required;
- The anticipated division of parental responsibilities after the litigation, including the extent to which parental responsibilities will be delegated to third parties;
- The demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to determine, consider, and act upon the needs of the child(ren) as opposed to the needs or desires of the parent;
- The length of time the child(ren) has lived in a stable, satisfactory environment and the desirability of maintaining continuity;
- The geographic viability of the parenting plan, with special attention paid to the needs of school-age children and the amount of time to be spent traveling to effectuate the parenting plan. This factor does not create a presumption for or against relocation of either parent with a child(ren);
- The moral fitness of the parents;
- The mental and physical health of the parents;
- The home, school, and community record of the child(ren);
- The reasonable preference of the child(ren), if the court deems the child(ren) to be of sufficient intelligence, understanding, and experience to express a preference;
- The demonstrated knowledge, capacity, and disposition of each parent to be informed of the circumstances of the minor child(ren), including, but not limited to, the child(ren)'s friends, teachers, medical care providers, daily activities, and favorite things;
- The demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to provide a consistent routine for the child(ren), such as discipline, and daily schedules for homework, meals, and bedtime;
- The demonstrated capacity of each parent to communicate with and keep the other parent informed of issues and activities regarding the minor child(ren), and the willingness of each parent to adopt a unified front on all major issues when dealing with the child(ren);
- Evidence of domestic violence, sexual violence, child abuse, child abandonment, or child neglect, regardless of whether a prior or pending action relating to those issues has been brought. If the court accepts evidence of prior or pending actions regarding domestic violence, sexual violence, child abuse, child abandonment, or child neglect, the court must specifically acknowledge in writing that such evidence was considered when evaluating the best interests of the child(ren);
- Evidence that either parent has knowingly provided false information to the court regarding any prior or pending action regarding domestic violence, sexual violence, child abuse, child abandonment, or child neglect;
- The particular parenting tasks customarily performed by each parent and the division or parental responsibilities before the institution of litigation and during the pending litigation, including the extent to which parenting responsibilities were undertaken by third parties;

- The demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to participate and be involved in the child(ren)'s school and extracurricular activities;
- The demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to maintain an environment for the child(ren) which is free from substance abuse;
- The capacity and disposition of each parent to protect the child(ren) from the ongoing litigation as demonstrated by not discussing the litigation with the child(ren), not sharing documents or electronic media related to the litigation with the child(ren), and refraining from disparaging comments about the other parent to the child)ren); and
- The developmental stages and needs of the child(ren) and the demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to meet the child(ren)'s developmental needs.

This standard form does not include every possible issue that may be relevant to the facts of your case. The Parenting Plan should be as detailed as possible to address the time-sharing schedule. Additional provisions should be added to address all of the relevant factors. The parties should give special consideration to the age and needs of each child.

In developing the Parenting Plan, you may wish to consult or review other materials which are available at your local library, law library or through national and state family organizations.

Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900 (a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No: _____
Division: _____

_____
Petitioner,
and
_____
Respondent.

PARENTING PLAN

This parenting plan is: (Choose only one)

[ ] A Parenting Plan submitted to the court with the agreement of the parties.
[ ] A proposed Parenting Plan submitted by or on behalf of:
{*Parent's Name*}_____.
[ ] A Parenting Plan established by the court.

This parenting plan is: (Choose only one)

[ ] A final Parenting Plan established by the court.
[ ] A temporary Parenting Plan established by the court.
[ ] A modification of a prior final Parenting Plan or prior final order.

I. PARENTS

Mother

Name:_____
Address: _____
Telephone Number: _____
E-Mail: _____
( ) Address Unknown: (Please indicate here if mother's address is unknown)
( ) Address Confidential: (Please indicate here if mother's address and phone numbers are confidential pursuant to either a ( ) Final Judgment for Protection Against Domestic Violence, or ( ) other court order _____).

Father

Name:_____
Address: _____
Telephone Number: _____
E-Mail: _____
( ) Address Unknown: (Please indicate here if father's address is unknown)

( ) Address Confidential: (Please indicate here if father's address and phone numbers are confidential pursuant to either a ( ) Final Judgment for Protection Against Domestic Violence or ( ) other court order)_____.)

II. CHILDREN: This parenting plan is for the following child(ren) born to, or adopted by the parties: (*add additional lines as needed*)

Name Date of Birth

_____
_____
_____
_____
_____

III. JURISDICTION

The United States is the country of habitual residence of the child(ren).

The State of Florida is the child(ren)'s home state for the purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act.

This Parenting Plan is a child custody determination for the purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, the International Child Abduction Remedies Act, 42 U.S.C. Sections 11601 et seq., the Parental Kidnapping Prevention Act, and the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction enacted at the Hague on October 25, 1980, and for all other state and federal laws.

Other: _____.

IV. PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY AND DECISION MAKING

1. Parental Responsibility (Choose only one)

[ ] **Shared** Parental Responsibility.
It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that the parents confer and **jointly** make all major decisions affecting the welfare of the child(ren). Major decisions include, but are not limited to, decisions about the child(ren)'s education, healthcare, and other responsibilities unique to this family.

OR

[ ] **Shared** Parental Responsibility with Decision Making Authority
It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that the parents confer and attempt to agree on the major decisions involving the child(ren). If the parents are unable to agree, the authority for making major decisions regarding the child(ren) shall be as follows:

Education/Academic decisions	[ ] Mother [ ] Father
Non-emergency health care	[ ] Mother [ ] Father
_____	[ ] Mother [ ] Father
_____	[ ] Mother [ ] Father
_____	[ ] Mother [ ] Father

OR

[ ] **Sole** Parental Responsibility:
It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that the [ ] Mother [ ] Father shall have sole authority to make major decisions for the child(ren.) It is detrimental to the child(ren) to have shared parental responsibility.

2. Day-to-Day Decisions
Unless otherwise specified in this plan, each parent shall make decisions regarding day-to-day care and control of each child while the child is with that parent. Regardless of the allocation of decision making in the parenting plan, either parent may make emergency decisions affecting the health or safety of the child(ren) when the child is residing with that parent. A parent who makes an emergency decision shall share the decision with the other parent as soon as reasonably possible.

3. Extra-curricular Activities (Choose all that apply)

[ ] Either parent may register the child(ren) and allow them to participate in the activity of the child(ren)'s choice.

[ ] The parents must mutually agree to all extra-curricular activities.

[ ] The parent with the minor child(ren) shall transport the minor child(ren) to and/or from all mutually agreed upon extra-curricular activities, providing all necessary uniforms and equipment within the parent's possession.

[ ] The costs of the extra-curricular activities shall be paid by:
Mother _____% Father _____ %

[ ] The uniforms and equipment required for the extra-curricular activities shall be paid by:
Mother _____ % Father _____%

[ ] Other: _____ .

V. INFORMATION SHARING. Unless otherwise indicated or ordered by the Court:

Unless otherwise prohibited by law, each parent shall have access to medical and school records and information pertaining to the child(ren) and shall be permitted to independently consult

with any and all professionals involved with the child(ren). The parents shall cooperate with each other in sharing information related to the health, education, and welfare of the child(ren) and they shall sign any necessary documentation ensuring that both parents have access to said records.

Each parent shall be responsible for obtaining records and reports directly from the school and health care providers.

Both parents have equal rights to inspect and receive governmental agency and law enforcement records concerning the child(ren).

Both parents shall have equal and independent authority to confer with the child(ren)'s school, day care, health care providers, and other programs with regard to the child(ren)'s educational, emotional, and social progress.

Both parents shall be listed as "emergency contacts" for the child(ren).

Each parent has a continuing responsibility to provide a residential, mailing, and contact address and contact telephone number to the other parent. Each parent shall notify the other parent in writing within 24 hours of any changes. Each parent shall notify the court in writing within seven (7) days of any changes.

Other: _____
_____.

VI. SCHEDULING

1. **School Calendar**
   If necessary, on or before _____ of each year, both parents should obtain a copy of the school calendar for the next school year. The parents shall discuss the calendars and the time-sharing schedule so that any differences or questions can be resolved.

The parents shall follow the school calendar of: (Choose all that apply)
[ ] the oldest child
[ ] the youngest child
[ ] the school calendar for _____ County
[ ] the school calendar for _____ School

2. **Academic Break Definition**
   When defining academic break periods, the period shall begin at the end of the last scheduled day of classes before the holiday or break and shall start on the first day of regularly scheduled classes after the holiday or break.

3. **Schedule Changes (**Choose all that apply)

[ ] A parent making a request for a schedule change will make the request as soon as possible, but in any event, except in cases of emergency, no less than _____ before the change is to occur.

[ ] A parent requesting a change of schedule shall be responsible for any additional child care, or transportation costs caused by the change.

[ ] Other _____.

VII. TIME-SHARING SCHEDULE

1. **Weekday and Weekend Schedule**
   The following schedule shall apply beginning on _____ with the [ ] Mother [ ] Father and continue as follows:

   A. The child(ren) shall spend time with the **Mother** on the following dates and times:
   WEEKENDS: [ ] Every [ ] Every Other [ ] Other (specify) _____
   From_____ to _____
   WEEKDAYS: Specify days _____
   From _____ to _____
   OTHER: (Specify) _____
   _____
   _____.

   B. The child(ren) shall spend time with the **Father** on the following dates and times:
   WEEKENDS: [ ] Every [ ] Every Other [ ] Other (specify) _____
   From_____ to _____
   WEEKDAYS: Specify days _____
   From _____ to _____
   OTHER: (Specify) _____
   _____
   _____.

   C. **Please indicate if there is a different time sharing schedule for any child. Complete a separate Attachment for each child for whom there is a different time sharing schedule.**

   [ ] There is a different time-sharing schedule for the following child(ren) in Attachment ____.

   _____, and _____.
   (Name of Child) (Name of Child)

2. **Holiday Schedule** (Choose only one)

[ ] No holiday time sharing shall apply. The regular time-sharing schedule set forth above shall apply.

[ ] Holiday time-sharing shall be as the parties agree.

[ ] Holiday time-sharing shall be in accordance with the following schedule. The Holiday schedule will take priority over the regular weekday, weekend, and summer schedules. Fill in the blanks with Mother or Father to indicate where the child(ren) will be for the holidays. Provide the beginning and ending times. If a holiday is not specified as even, odd, or every year with one parent, then the child(ren) will remain with the parent in accordance with the regular schedule

Holidays	**Even Years**	**Odd Years**	**Every Year**	**Begin/End Time**
Mother's Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
Father's day	_____	_____	_____	_____
President's Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
Martin Luther King Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
Easter	_____	_____	_____	_____
Passover	_____	_____	_____	_____
Memorial Day Weekend	_____	_____	_____	_____
4th of July	_____	_____	_____	_____
Labor Day Weekend	_____	_____	_____	_____
Columbus Day Weekend	_____	_____	_____	_____
Halloween	_____	_____	_____	_____
Thanksgiving	_____	_____	_____	_____
Veteran's Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hanukkah	_____	_____	_____	_____
Yom Kippur	_____	_____	_____	_____
Rosh Hashanah	_____	_____	_____	_____
Child(ren)'s Birthdays	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

This holiday schedule may affect the regular Time-Sharing Schedule. Parents may wish to specify one or more of the following options:

[ ] When the parents are using an alternating weekend plan and the holiday schedule would result in one parent having the child(ren) for three weekends in a row, the parents will exchange the following weekend, so that each has two weekends in a row before the regular alternating weekend pattern resumes.

[ ] If a parent has the child(ren) on a weekend immediately before or after an unspecified holiday or non-school day, they shall have the child(ren) for the holiday or non-school day.

3. Winter Break

A. Entire Winter Break (Choose only one)

[ ] The [ ] Mother [ ] Father shall have the child(ren) from the day and time school is dismissed until December _____ at ___ a.m./p. m in [ ]odd-numbered years [ ] even-numbered years [ ] every year. The other parent will have the children for the second portion of the Winter Break. The parties shall alternate the arrangement each year.

[ ] The [ ] Mother [ ] Father shall have the child(ren) for the entire Winter Break during [ ] odd-numbered years [ ] even-numbered years [ ] every year.

[ ] Other: _____
_____
_____.

B. **Specific Winter Holidays**

If not addressed above, the specific Winter Holidays such as Christmas, New Year's Eve, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, etc. and shall be shared as follows:

_____
_____
_____
_____.

4. Spring Break (Choose only one)

[ ] The parents shall follow the regular schedule.

[ ] The parents shall alternate the entire Spring Break with the Mother having the child(ren) during the [ ]odd-numbered years [ ]even numbered years.

[ ] The [ ] Father [ ] Mother shall have the child(ren) for the entire Spring Break every year.

[ ] The Spring Break will be evenly divided. The first half of the Spring Break will go to the parent whose regularly scheduled weekend falls on the first half and the second half going to the parent whose weekend falls during the second half.

[ ] Other:_____.

5. Summer Break (Choose only one)

[ ] The parents shall follow the regular schedule through the summer.

[ ] The [ ] Mother [ ] Father shall have the entire Summer Break from _____ after school is out until _____ before school starts.

[ ] The parents shall equally divide the Summer Break. During [ ] odd-numbered years [ ] even numbered years, the [ ] Mother [ ] Father shall have the children from _____ after school is out until _____. The other parent shall have the child(ren) for the second one-half of the Summer Break. The parents shall alternate the first and second one-halves each year unless otherwise agreed. During the extended periods of time-sharing, the other parent shall have the child(ren) _____.

[ ] Other:_____
_____.

6. **Number of Overnights:**

Based upon the time-sharing schedule, the Mother has a total of _____ overnights per year and the Father has a total of _____ overnights per year. **Note: The two numbers must equal 365.**

7. **[ ] If not set forth above,** the parties shall have time-sharing in accordance with the schedule which is attached and incorporated herein.

VIII. TRANSPORTATION AND EXCHANGE OF CHILD(REN)

1. **Transportation** (Choose only one)

[ ] The [ ] Mother [ ] Father shall provide all transportation.

[ ] The parent beginning their time-sharing shall provide transportation for the child(ren).

[ ] The parent ending their time-sharing shall provide transportation for the child(ren).

[ ] Other: _____.

2. **Exchange**

Both parents shall have the child(ren) ready on time with sufficient clothing packed and ready at the agreed upon time of exchange. If a parent is more than _____ minutes late without contacting the other parent to make other arrangements, the parent with the child(ren) may proceed with other plans and activities. (Choose only one):

[ ] Exchanges shall be at Mother's and Father's homes unless both parents agree to a different meeting place.

[ ] Exchanges shall occur at _____

_____ unless both parties agree in advance to a different meeting place.

[ ] Other: _____.

3. Transportation Costs (Choose only one)

[ ] Transportation costs are included in the Child Support Worksheets and/or the Order for Child Support and should not be included here.

[ ] The Mother shall pay _____% and the Father shall pay _____ % of the transportation costs.

[ ] Other: _____.

4. Foreign and Out-Of-State Travel (Choose all that apply)

[ ] Either parent may travel within the United States with the child(ren) during his/her time-sharing. The parent traveling with the child(ren) shall give the other parent at least ____ days written notice before traveling out of state unless there is an emergency, and shall provide the other parent with a detailed itinerary, including locations and telephone numbers where the child(ren) and parent can be reached at least ____ days before traveling.

[ ] Either parent may travel out of the country with the child(ren) during his/her time-sharing. At least ___ days prior to traveling, the parent shall provide a detailed itinerary, including locations, and telephone numbers where the child(ren) and parent may be reached during the trip. Each parent agrees to provide whatever documentation is necessary for the other parent to take the child(ren) out of the country.

[ ] If a parent wishes to travel out of the country with the child(ren), he/she shall provide the following security for the return of the child _____ _____.

[ ] Other _____.

IX. EDUCATION

1. School designation. For purposes of school boundary determination and registration, the [ ] Mother's [ ] Father's address shall be designated.

2. (*If Applicable*) The following provisions are made regarding private or home schooling: _____ _____ _____.

3. **Other.** _____
_____
_____.

X. DESIGNATION FOR OTHER LEGAL PURPOSES

The child(ren) named in this Parenting Plan are scheduled to reside the majority of the time with the [ ] Mother [ ] Father. This majority designation is SOLELY for purposes of all other state and federal laws which require such a designation. **This designation does not affect either parent's rights and responsibilities under this Parenting Plan.**

XI. COMMUNICATION

1. **Between Parents**
All communications regarding the child(ren) shall be between the parents. The parents shall not use the child(ren) as messengers to convey information, ask questions, or set up schedule changes.

The parents shall communicate with each other: (Choose all that apply)

[ ] in person
[ ] by telephone
[ ] by letter
[ ] by e-mail
[ ] Other:_____.

2. **Between Parent and Child(ren)**

Both parents shall keep contact information current. Telephone or other electronic communication between the child(ren) and the other parent shall not be monitored by or interrupted by the other parent. "Electronic communication" includes telephones, electronic mail or e-mail, webcams, video-conferencing equipment and software or other wired or wireless technologies or other means of communication to supplement face to face contact.

The child(ren) may have [ ] telephone [ ] e-mail [ ] other electronic communication in the form of _____ with the other parent: (Choose only one)

[ ] Anytime
[ ] Every day during the hours of _____ to _____.
[ ] On the following days_____
during the hours of _____ to _____.
[ ] Other: _____.

3. **Costs of Electronic Communication** shall be addressed as follows:
_____
_____

_____.

XII. CHILD CARE (Choose only one)

{ } Each parent may select appropriate child care providers
[ ] All child care providers must be agreed upon by both parents.
[ ] Each parent must offer the other parent the opportunity to care for the child(ren) before using a child care provider for any period exceeding _____ hours.
[ ] Other _____.

XIII. CHANGES OR MODIFICATIONS OF THE PARENTING PLAN

Temporary changes to this Parenting Plan may be made informally without a written document; however, if the parties dispute the change, the Parenting Plan shall remain in effect until further order of the court.

Any substantial changes to the Parenting Plan must be sought through the filing of a supplemental petition for modification.

XIV. RELOCATION

Any relocation of the child(ren) is subject to and must be sought in compliance with section 61.13001, Florida Statutes.

XV. DISPUTES OR CONFLICT RESOLUTION

Parents shall attempt to cooperatively resolve any disputes which may arise over the terms of the Parenting Plan. The parents may wish to use mediation or other dispute resolution methods and assistance, such as Parenting Coordinators and Parenting Counselors, before filing a court action.

XVI. OTHER PROVISIONS

_____
_____
_____
_____
_____
_____
_____.

SIGNATURE OF PARENTS

I certify that I have been open and honest in entering into this Parenting Plan. I am satisfied with this Plan and intend to be bound by it.

Dated: _____

_____
Signature of Mother

Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Fax Number: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

_____
[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.]

___ Personally known
___ Produced identification
Type of identification produced _____

I certify that I have been open and honest in entering into this Parenting Plan. I am satisfied with this Plan and intend to be bound by it.

Dated:_____

_____
Signature of Father

Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Fax Number: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

_____
[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.]

___Personally known
___Produced identification
Type of identification produced _____

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:
[fill in **all** blanks]

I, *{full legal name and trade name of nonlawyer}* _____,
a nonlawyer, whose address is*{street}* _____,
{city} _____,*{state}* _____, *{phone}* _____,
helped *{ name}* ,who is the [**one** only] __ petitioner **or** __ respondent, fill out this form

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW FORM 12.995(b), SAFETY-FOCUSED PARENTING PLAN (12/10)

When should this form be used?

A **Parenting Plan** is required in all cases involving minor child(ren). This form or a similar form should be used in cases when you feel your child(ren) cannot be safely alone with the other parent or if you believe **shared parental responsibility** presents a detriment to the child(ren). In this case, a Parenting Plan must be developed that allows **time-sharing** with any minor child(ren), while providing protection for the child(ren). If safety or supervised time-sharing is not a concern, **Parenting Plan**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.995(a) should be used. The Parenting Plan must be developed and agreed to by the parents and approved by the court. If the parties cannot agree to a Parenting Plan or if the parents agreed to a plan that is not approved by the court, a parenting plan will be established by the court with or without the use of **parenting plan recommendations**.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. If an agreement has been reached, **both** parties must sign the Parenting Plan and have their signatures witnessed by a **notary public** or **deputy clerk**. After completing this form, you should **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where the **petition** was filed and keep a copy for your records. You should then refer to the instructions for your petition, **answer**, or answer and **counterpetition** concerning the procedures for setting a hearing or **trial** (**final hearing**). If the parents have not reached an agreement, a proposed Parenting Plan may be filed by either parent at the time of or any time prior to the final hearing. If an agreed Parenting Plan is not filed by the parties, the court shall establish a Plan.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read "General Information for Self-Represented Litigants" found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **"bold underline"** in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see chapter 61, Florida Statutes, and the instructions for the petition and/or answer that were filed in this case.

Special notes…

If you fear that disclosing your address would put you in danger, you should complete a Request for Confidential Filing of Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Form 12.980(h), file it with the clerk of the circuit court and write confidential in the space provided in the parenting plan.

At a minimum, the **Parenting Plan** must describe in adequate detail:

- How the parties will share and be responsible for the daily tasks associated with the upbringing of the child(ren),
- The **time-sharing schedule** arrangements that specify the time that the minor child(ren) will spend with each parent,

- A designation of who will be responsible for any and all forms of health care, school-related matters, including the address to be used for school-boundary determination and registration, other activities, and
- The methods and technologies that the parents will use to communicate with the child(ren).

The best interests of the child(ren) is the primary consideration in the Parenting Plan. In creating the Parenting Plan, all circumstances between the parents, including their historic relationship, domestic violence, and other factors must be taken into consideration. Determination of the best interests of the child(ren) shall be made by evaluating all of the factors affecting the welfare and interest of the particular minor child(ren) and the circumstances of that family, as listed in section 61.13(3), Florida Statutes, including, but not limited to:

- The demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to facilitate and encourage a close and continuing parent-child relationship, to honor the time-sharing schedule, and to be reasonable when changes are required;
- The anticipated division of parental responsibilities after the litigation, including the extent to which parental responsibilities will be delegated to third parties;
- The demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to determine, consider, and act upon the needs of the child(ren) as opposed to the needs or desires of the parent;
- The length of time the child(ren) has lived in a stable, satisfactory environment and the desirability of maintaining continuity;
- The geographic viability of the parenting plan, with special attention paid to the needs of school-age children and the amount of time to be spent traveling to effectuate the parenting plan. This factor does not create a presumption for or against relocation of either parent with a child(ren);
- The moral fitness of the parents;
- The mental and physical health of the parents;
- The home, school, and community record of the child(ren);
- The reasonable preference of the child(ren), if the court deems the child(ren) to be of sufficient intelligence, understanding, and experience to express a preference;
- The demonstrated knowledge, capacity, and disposition of each parent to be informed of the circumstances of the minor child(ren), including, but not limited to, the child(ren)'s friends, teachers, medical care providers, daily activities, and favorite things;
- The demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to provide a consistent routine for the child(ren), such as discipline, and daily schedules for homework, meals, and bedtime;
- The demonstrated capacity of each parent to communicate with and keep the other parent informed of issues and activities regarding the minor child(ren), and the willingness of each parent to adopt a unified front on all major issues when dealing with the child(ren);
- Evidence of domestic violence, sexual violence, child abuse, child abandonment, or child neglect, regardless of whether a prior or pending action relating to those issues has been brought. If the court accepts evidence of prior or pending actions regarding domestic violence, sexual violence, child abuse, child abandonment, or child neglect, the court must specifically acknowledge, in writing that such evidence was considered when evaluating the best interests of the child(ren);
- Evidence that either parent has knowingly provided false information to the court regarding any prior or pending action regarding domestic violence, sexual violence, child abuse, child abandonment, or child neglect;

- The particular parenting tasks customarily performed by each parent and the division of parental responsibilities before the institution of litigation and during the pending litigation, including the extent to which parenting responsibilities were undertaken by third parties;
- The demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to participate and be involved in the child(ren)'s school and extracurricular activities;
- The demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to maintain an environment for the child(ren) which is free from substance abuse;
- The capacity and disposition of each parent to protect the child(ren) from the ongoing litigation as demonstrated by not discussing the litigation with the child(ren), not sharing documents or electronic media related to the litigation with the child(ren), and refraining from disparaging comments about the other parent to the child)ren); and
- The developmental stages and needs of the child(ren) and the demonstrated capacity and disposition of each parent to meet the child(ren)'s developmental needs.

This standard form does not include every possible issue that may be relevant to the facts of your case. The Parenting Plan should be as detailed as possible to address the time-sharing schedule. Additional provisions should be added to address all of the relevant factors. The parties should give special consideration to the age and needs of each child.

In developing the Parenting Plan, you may wish to consult or review other materials which are available at your local library, law library or through national and state family organizations.

Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900 (a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No: _____
Division: _____

_____
Petitioner,
And

_____
Respondent.

SAFETY-FOCUSED PARENTING PLAN

This parenting plan is: (Choose only one)

[ ] A Parenting Plan submitted to the court with the agreement of the parties.
[ ] A proposed Parenting Plan submitted by or on behalf of:
(Parent's Name)_____.
[ ] A Parenting Plan established by the court.

This parenting plan is: (Choose only one)

[ ] A final Parenting Plan established by the court.
[ ] A temporary Parenting Plan established by the court.
[ ] A modification of a prior final Parenting Plan or prior final order.

I. PARENTS

Mother

Name:_____
Address:_____
Telephone Number:_____
E-Mail:_____
( ) Address Unknown: (Please indicate if mother's address is unknown)
( ) Address Confidential: (Please indicate if mother's address and telephone numbers are confidential pursuant to either a ( ) Final Judgment for Protection Against Domestic Violence or ( ) Other court order_____.

Father

Name:_____
Address:_____
Telephone Number: _____
E-Mail: _____
( ) Address Unknown: (Please indicate if father's address is unknown)
( ) Address Confidential: (Please indicate if father's address and telephone numbers are confidential pursuant to either a ( ) Final Judgment for Protection Against Domestic Violence or ( ) Other court order_____.

II. CHILDREN: This parenting plan is for the following child(ren) born to, or adopted by the parties: *(add additional lines as needed)*

Name Date of Birth

_____

_____

_____

_____

III. JURISDICTION

The United States is the country of habitual residence of the child(ren).

The State of Florida is the child(ren)'s home state for the purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act.

This Parenting Plan is a child custody determination for the purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, the International Child Abduction Remedies Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 11601 et seq., the Parental Kidnapping Prevention Act, and the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction enacted at the Hague on October 25, 1980, and for other state and federal laws.

Other: _____.

IV. PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY (Choose only one)

[ ] **Sole** Parental Responsibility
It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that the [ ] Mother [ ]Father shall have **sole** authority to make major decisions for the child(ren.) It is detrimental to the child(ren) for the parents to have shared parental responsibility.

[ ] **Shared** Parental Responsibility with Decision Making Authority
It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that the parents confer and attempt to agree on the major decisions involving the child(ren). If the parents are unable to agree, the authority for making major decisions regarding the child(ren) shall be as follows:

Education/Academic decisions	[ ] Mother	[ ] Father
Non-emergency health care	[ ] Mother	[ ] Father
_____	[ ] Mother	[ ] Father
_____	[ ] Mother	[ ] Father
_____	[ ] Mother	[ ] Father

[ ] Other: *(Explain)* _____.

V. TIME SHARING SCHEDULE (Choose **only** one)

[ ] **No Time-Sharing:** The [ ] Mother [ ] Father shall have no contact with the child(ren) until further order of the court. All parenting decisions shall be made by the other parent.

[ ] **Supervised Time-Sharing:** Whenever the child(ren) are with the [ ] Mother [ ] Father, the supervisor shall be present. The [ ] Mother [ ] Father has the right to spend time with the child(ren) even though the other parent will be making most, if not all, of the parenting decisions which are made on the child(ren)'s behalf. The time-sharing schedule shall be mutually agreed upon between the parents, but not less than the schedule set forth below: (Choose as appropriate)

[ ] _____ hours per week. The place(s), and time(s) shall be set by the [ ] Mother [ ]Father.

[ ] From _____ __ m. to _____ __ m, on the following day(s) _____.

[ ] **Restricted Time-Sharing:** The [ ] Mother [ ] Father shall have time-sharing with the following restrictions. (The restrictions should be described in detail such as time-sharing only in public places, no overnight visits, etc.) The time-sharing schedule shall be mutually agreed uponbetween the parents, but not less than the schedule set forth below:_____
_____
_____
_____

[ ] _____ hours per week. The place(s), and time(s) shall be set by the [ ] Mother [ ]Father.

[ ] From _____ __m. to ____ __m, on the following day(s) _____
_____.

[ ] Other: _____.

VI. SUPERVISOR AND SUPERVISION (Choose **only** one)

1. **Supervisor.** The person supervising the time-sharing shall: (Choose only one)
   [ ] Be selected by the [ ] Mother [ ] Father.

   [ ] Be selected by the [ ] Mother [ ] Father, subject to the other parent's approval.

   [ ] Other: _____.

2. **Restrictions or Level of Supervision**: _____
   _____
   _____ .

3. **Costs of Supervision**
   [ ] The costs of the supervision shall be paid by the [ ] Mother [ ] Father

[ ] Other: _____.

VII. LOCATION: (Choose **only** one)

The [ ] Mother [ ] Father shall spend his/her time-sharing with the child(ren) at the following location(s):

[ ] Supervised visitation center (*name and address of facility)* _____ _____.

[ ] _____ (*location*) or other location designated by the [ ] Mother [ ] Father

[ ] Any location designated by the [ ] Mother [ ] Father with the approval of the supervisor.

[ ] Other: _____ .

VIII. DESIGNATION FOR OTHER LEGAL PURPOSES

1. The child(ren) named in this Safety-Focused Parenting Plan are scheduled to reside the majority of the time with the [ ] Mother [ ] Father. This majority designation is SOLELY for purposes of all other state and federal statutes which require such a designation. **This designation does not affect either parent's rights and responsibilities under this parenting plan.**

2. For purposes of school-boundary determination and registration, the [ ] Mother's [ ] Father's address shall be designated.

IX. TRANSPORTATION AND EXCHANGE OF CHILD(REN)

1. **Transportation**
   The child(ren) shall not be driven in a car unless the driver has a valid driver's license, automobile insurance, seat belts, and child safety seats as required by Florida law.

   The [ ] Mother [ ] Father or mutually agreed upon person shall be responsible for transporting the child(ren) to the exchange point. The child(ren) shall be picked up and/or returned to the exchange point by (**Choose only one**);

   [ ] The [ ] Mother [ ] Father with the supervisor present.

   [ ] The supervisor alone.

   [ ] Other: _____.

2. **Exchange**

The exchange of the child(ren) shall occur at: (**Choose all that apply**)

[ ] The site of the supervised visit.

[ ] A monitored exchange location (*specify name and address of facility*) _____.

[ ] Other: _____.

[ ] The [ ] Mother [ ] Father is prohibited from coming to the exchange point.

X. COMMUNICATION

1. **Between Parents (**Choose **only** one**)**

[ ] All communications regarding the child(ren) shall be between the parents. The parents shall not use the child(ren) as messengers to convey information, ask questions, or set up schedule changes.

The parents shall communicate with each other: (Choose all that apply)

[ ] in person
[ ] by telephone
[ ] by letter
[ ] by e-mail
[ ] Other: _____.

[ ] **No Communication**. Unless otherwise prohibited by court order, all information and communication regarding the child(ren) shall be exchanged via or through _____.

2. **Between Parent and Child(ren)**

The [ ] Mother [ ] Father (Choose **all** that apply)

[ ] Shall not telephone, write, or e-mail the child(ren) unless the contact is agreed to in advance by the other parent.

[ ] May write or e-mail the child(ren) at any time. Each parent shall provide a contact address (and e-mail address if appropriate) to the other parent, unless otherwise prohibited by court order.

[ ] May call the child(ren) on the telephone ___ times per week. The call shall last no more than ____ minutes and shall take place between _____ __m. and ___ m. Each parent shall provide a telephone number to the other parent, unless otherwise prohibited by court order or law.

[ ] Long distance telephone calls made by the child(ren) to a parent shall be paid for by _____. Each parent shall provide a telephone number to the other parent, unless otherwise prohibited by court order or law.

[ ] Other: _____.

3. **Costs of Electronic Communication**

"Electronic communication" includes telephones, electronic mail or e-mail, webcams, video-conferencing equipment and software or other wired or wireless technologies or other means of communication to supplement face-to face contact.

The costs of electronic communication shall be addressed as follows:
_____
_____
_____.

XI. ACCESS TO ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

The [ ] Mother [ ] Father (Choose **only** one)

[ ] Shall not attend the child(ren)'s activities and events, including but not limited to, school, athletic, and extra-curricular activities and events.

[ ] May attend the child(ren)'s school, athletic, and extra-curricular activities and events.

[ ] The [ ] Mother [ ] Father must stay ___ feet from the other parent and ___ feet from the child.

[ ] Other _____.

XII. CHILD(REN)'S SAFETY

The [ ] Mother [ ] Father shall follow the safety rules checked below. (Choose **all** that apply)

[ ] There shall be no firearms in the home, car, or in the child(ren)'s presence during time-sharing.

[ ] No alcoholic beverages shall be consumed from twenty-four (24) hours before the child(ren) arrive until they are returned to the other parent.

[ ] The child(ren) shall not be disciplined by corporal punishment.

[ ] The following person(s) present a danger to the child(ren): _____
_____.
Each parent shall ensure that during his/her time-sharing that this/these person(s):
[ ] will not be present
[ ] will not have contact with the child(ren)

[ ] Other: _____.

XIII. CHANGES OR MODIFICATIONS OF THE PARENTING PLAN

All changes to the Safety-Focused Parenting Plan must be pursuant to a court order.

XIV. OTHER PROVISIONS

_____
_____
_____
_____
_____
_____
_____.

SIGNATURE OF PARENTS

I certify that I have been open and honest in entering into this Parenting Plan. I am satisfied with this Plan and intend to be bound by it.

Dated: _____

_____
Signature of Mother
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Fax Number: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

_____
[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.]

___ Personally known
___ Produced identification
Type of identification produced _____

I certify that I have been open and honest in entering into this Parenting Plan. I am satisfied with this Plan and intend to be bound by it.

Dated: _____

_____
Signature of Father
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Fax Number: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

_____
[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.]

___ Personally known
___ Produced identification
Type of identification produced

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW: [fill in **all** blanks]
I, *{full legal name and trade name of nonlawyer}* _____,
a nonlawyer, whose address is: *{street}* _____, *{city}* _____,
{state} _____, *{phone}* _____, helped *{ name}* _____,
who is the [Choose **one** only] ___ petitioner **or** ___ respondent, fill out this form

Fee Schedule For Family Law Cases

(These fees are effective June 1, 2009)

Clerk fees (payable to The Clerk of the Circuit Court):

Type	Fee	Statute Reference
Adoption *	$442.00	63.102 & 28.241(1)(a)
Termination of Parental Rights *	$442.00	63.087 & 28.241(1)(a)
Delayed Birth Certificate *	$442.00	682.0195 & 28.241(1)(a)
Disabilities of nonage; removed (Emancipation) *	$400.00	743.015 & 28.241(1)(a)
Temporary Custody by Extended Family Member *	$400.00	751.03 & 28.241(1)(a)
Name Change *	$414.00	68.07 & 28.241(1)(a)
Counter Petition *for case indicated with **	$395.00	28.101 & 28.241(1)(c)
Dissolution of Marriage **	$408.00	28.241 & 28.101
All other Family Law actions not listed above **	$300.00	28.241(1)(a)
Counter Petition *for case indicated with **	$295.00	28.101 & 28.241(1)(c)
Sealing Fee	$42.00	28.24(25)
Attorney appearing Pro Hac Vice	$100.00	28.241(6)
Notice of Appeal *(Requires 2 separate checks:* *(1) $300.00 made payable to the Second District Court of Appeals;* *(2) $100.00 +$1.00 per page of entire Notice of Appeal and $2.00 for certifying made payable to Clerk of the Circuit Court)*	$300.00 (Second DCA) $100.00 plus copy and certification fee (Clerk)	28.241(2); 28.24(3); 28.24(5)(a); 35.22
Reopen fee	$50.00	28.241(1)(b)
Writ of Garnishment issued	$188.00	28.241(1)(a)
Issuing a Summons (Initial, Alias, and Pluries)	$10.00	28.241(1)(d)
Issue & filing a subpoena	$7.00	28.241(18)(a)
Signing and sealing a subpoena	$2.00	28.24(18)(b)
Copies	$1.00 (per page)	28.24(5)(a)
Certification	$2.00	28.24(3)
Notary fee	$10.00 (each)	117.05(2)(a)
Approving Bond	$8.50	28.24(19)
Administering oath	$3.50	38.25(13)
Exemplified certificate	$7.00	28.24(16)
Clerk Certificate	$7.00	28.24(8)
Child Support Fees		
Judgment payoff statement (Child Support)	$25.00	61.14(6)(f)1
Payment History (Child Support, Alimony)	$1.00 - $2.00 per year	28.24(5)(a)
Affidavit of Delinquency	$7.00	28.24(8)
Notice of Delinquency fee	$25.00	61.14(6)(b)1.b.
Driver License/Non Payment of Child Support	$25.00	61.14(6)(f)1.
Verification form	$7.00	28.24(8)

Mediation (payable to The Clerk of the Circuit Court)

Family income greater than $50,000 but less than $100,000 per year	$120.00	44.108(2)(b)
Family income less than $50,000 per year	$60.00	44.108(2)(b)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW FORM 12.915, DESIGNATION OF CURRENT MAILING AND EMAIL ADDRESS (09/12)

When should this form be used?

This form should be used to inform the clerk and the other **party** of your current mailing and e-mail address(es) or **any change of address**. It is very important that the court and the other party in your case have your correct address.

A party not represented by an attorney may choose to designate e-mail address(es) for **service.** A primary and up to two secondary e-mail addresses can be designated. If you do so and the other party is represented by an attorney or has also designated e-mail address(es) for service, e-mail will be the **exclusive means of service.**

If there is any change in your mailing or e-mail address(es), you must complete a new form, file it with the clerk, and serve a copy on any other party or parties in your case.

What should I do next?

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. After completing this form, you should **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where your case is filed and keep a copy for your records. A copy of this form must be served on any other party in your case. **Service** must be in accordance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.516.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read General Information for Self-Represented Litigants found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **bold underline** in these instructions are defined there.

Special notes…

Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900(a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____
Division: _____

_____,
Petitioner,

and

_____,
Respondent.

DESIGNATION OF CURRENT MAILING AND E-MAIL ADDRESS

I, *{full legal name}* _____, being sworn, certify that

my current mailing address is: *{Street}* _____

*{City}*_____, *{State}* _____ *{Zip}* _____ *{Telephone No.}* _____

{Fax No.} _____.

I designate as my current e-mail address(es):_____

_____

I understand that I must keep the clerk's office and the opposing party or parties notified of my current mailing and e-mail address(es) and that all future papers in this lawsuit will be served at the address(es) on record at the clerk's office.

I certify that a copy of this document was [check all used]: ( ) e-mailed ( ) mailed ( ) faxed

( ) hand-delivered to the person(s) listed below on *{date}*_____.

Other party or his/her attorney:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es): _____

Dated: _____ _____
Signature of Party

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF
Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.]

____ Personally known
____ Produced identification
Type of identification produced _____

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:
[fill in **all** blanks] This form was prepared for the: *{choose only **one**}* ( ) Petitioner ( ) Respondent
This form was completed with the assistance of:
{name of individual} _____,
{name of business} _____,
{street} _____,
{city} _____,*{state}* _____, *{telephone number}*_____.

IN THE _____ COURT, 13TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

_____
Plaintiff/Petitioner,

CASE NO.: _____

v.

_____
Defendant/Respondent.
_____ /

NOTICE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION WITHIN COURT FILING

Pursuant to Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.420(d)(2), I hereby certify:

( ) (1) I am filing herewith a document containing confidential information as described in Rule 2.420(d)(1)(B) and that:

(a) The title/type of document is _____, and:

(b) ( ) the entire document is confidential, or

( ) the confidential information within the document is precisely located at:

_____.

OR

( ) (2) A document was previously filed in this case that contains confidential information as described in Rule 2.420(d)(1)(B), but a Notice of Confidential Information within Court Filing was not filed with the document and the confidential information was not maintained as confidential by the clerk of the court. I hereby notify the clerk that this confidential information is located as follows:

(a) Title/type of document:_____;

(b) Date of filing (if known): _____;

(c) Date of document: _____;

(d) Docket entry number:_____ ;

(e) ( ) Entire document is confidential, or

( ) Precise location of confidential information in document: _____

_____.

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_____
Filer's Signature

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing was furnished by _____ on: _____

_____

_____ on _____ , 20___.

_____

Name .....

Address .....

Phone .....

Florida Bar No. (if applicable) .....

E-mail address .....

Note: The clerk of court shall review filings identified as containing confidential information to determine whether the information is facially subject to confidentiality under subdivision (d)(1)(B). The clerk shall notify the filer in writing within 5 days if the clerk determines that the information is NOT subject to confidentiality, and the records shall not be held as confidential for more than 10 days, unless a motion is filed pursuant to subdivision (d)(3) of the Rule. Fla. R. Jud. Admin. 2.420(d)(2).