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PATERNITY

WITH LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY), PARENTING TIME, and CHILD SUPPORT

For Respondent Only

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RESPONSE

To Respond to / Disagree with a Petition

Part 3: Completing and Filing a Response (Forms Only)

For Child Support and/or Spousal Maintenance you may also need the following forms C17.

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INFORMATION ABOUT RESPONDING TO A PETITION ABOUT PATERNITY, CUSTODY, CHILD SUPPORT, AND PARENTING TIME

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT WHEN YOU MUST FILE YOUR RESPONSE:

- **Look at the timetable below.** If the last day to respond falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, you DO NOT count that day.
- **Include weekends and holidays in your count** until you reach the number of days in the Time Table below. If you file a written Response with the court on time, the Petitioner **CANNOT PROCEED BY DEFAULT.**

DEFAULT TIME TABLE

SERVICE BY	COUNT	EVENT
Acceptance	20 Days	after Respondent signed the Acceptance
Acceptance out-of-state	30 Days	after Respondent signed the Acceptance
Signature Confirmation	20 Days	after Respondent signed Confirmation
Signature Confirmation out-of-state	30 Days	after Respondent signed Confirmation
Process Server	20 Days	after Respondent received papers from Server
Sheriff in Arizona	20 Days	after Respondent received papers from Sheriff
Sheriff out-of-state	30 Days	after Respondent received papers from Sheriff
Publication	64 Days	after the 1st date of publication

INFORMATION ABOUT PAPERS YOU SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED FROM THE OTHER PARTY WITH THE PATERNITY PETITION:

1. **SUMMONS:** You have been summoned to appear in Court. The Summons tells you how many calendar days you have to file a **Response** (also known as an "**Answer**"), depending on how you were served with the court papers.

   - **IF YOU WANT THE COURT TO KNOW THAT YOU DISAGREE WITH ANYTHING THAT IS STATED OR REQUESTED IN THE PETITION, BE SURE TO FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE - *ON TIME!***
   - If the time for you to file a WRITTEN RESPONSE has passed, the other party must complete an **Application and Affidavit for Entry of Default** and send you a copy.
   - **You then have ten (10) more days *from the date the Application for Default was filed*** with the Clerk **to file your written response** (***not*** 10 days from the date you *receive* the **Application**).
   - **If you do not file a WRITTEN RESPONSE ON TIME, the Court may assume you are in complete agreement with everything stated and requested in the Petition, and a *default judgment* can be entered without the Judge hearing your side of the story.**

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2. **PETITION TO ESTABLISH PATERNITY, LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CHILD CUSTODY), PARENTING TIME, AND CHILD SUPPORT:** This is the form the other party completed to tell the Court his or her side of the story about the minor children, pregnancy, child support, child parenting time, and legal decision making (child custody).

Read each and every word very carefully, and decide what you want to do. Here are your choices:

a. **Do nothing.** This means the other party can get a court order and tell the Judge his or her side of the story, without you telling your side at all. **This is called a default.** Even in these cases, the Judge will try to decide what is best, but it is never a good idea to ignore the court proceeding and have a court order that you had no input on. You should talk to a lawyer before you decide to "do nothing."

b. **Agree. Decide with the other party** how you want to handle everything about the minor children, pregnancy, child support, child parenting time, and child custody. Then you and the other party file papers in the court stating your agreement on everything. This is called a **Consent or Stipulation.** This is often the best way to proceed, if you and the other party can talk about the critical issues to decide how you both want to handle everything. Mediators can help you with this, and the Self-Service Center has a list of mediators, and how much they charge to help you. **OR**

c. **File a Response to tell the Court you disagree with any part of what the other party said or requested in the Petition, to state your side of the story, and to inform the Court how you want to handle everything.**

   Once you file a Response to tell the Court you disagree with any part of the Petition, the case becomes known as "a contested matter", however if you and the other party can reach agreement on some or all matters, you may file a **Stipulation** (agreement) for a **Consent** decree**.**

   Court appointed or private mediators can often assist parties in reaching full or partial agreement. The Self-Service Center has a list of private mediators, and how much they charge to help you. If you file a Response and are unable to reach full agreement on all issues, be sure to file any court papers needed to schedule the remaining issues for trial.

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INSTRUCTIONS: HOW TO FILL OUT FORMS TO RESPOND TO A PETITION ABOUT PATERNITY, LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY), CHILD SUPPORT and PARENTING TIME

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: Domestic violence can include physical violence directed against you or your children such as hitting, slapping, pushing, or kicking. Domestic violence can also include threats of physical violence made against you and your children, or regular verbal abuse used to control you. Your spouse does NOT need to have been convicted of domestic violence or assault for you to be a domestic violence victim, and you do not need to have sought medical care or been admitted to a hospital to be a domestic violence victim.

All court documents will request your address and phone number. If you are a victim of domestic violence and are in a domestic violence shelter, or if you do not want your address known to protect yourself or your children from further violence, you must file for an Order of Protection and ask that your address not be disclosed on court papers. With that Order, you do not need to put your address and phone number on your court papers. Write "protected" where asked for this information and update the Clerk of the Court with an address and phone number as soon as possible so that the Court can reach you.

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INSTRUCTIONS: Follow these instructions in filling out your Response.

A. Make sure your form states RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR PATERNITY, LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY), PARENTING TIME AND CHILD SUPPORT in the upper right-hand part of the page.

B. Make sure you use a computer, typewriter or print clearly using black ink only.

C. In the top left corner of the first page, fill out the following: YOUR name; address (if not protected); city, state and zip code; telephone number; and your ATLAS number, if you are receiving or have received AFDC from the Arizona Department of Economic Security. Check the box to say whether you represent yourself, or if you are an attorney, write in the name of your client and your state bar number.

D. Fill in the name of "Petitioner" and "Respondent" exactly the same way as it looks on the Petition. Do that for every document you ever file with the court from now on in this case.

E. Use the DR, FC or FN case number that is stamped in the upper right-hand corner of the Petition. Do that for every document you ever file with the court from now on in this case.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. INFORMATION ABOUT THE OTHER PARTY, THE PETITIONER. Fill in the petitioner's name, address (if not protected), date of birth, job title, and relationship to the minor child(ren). This is basic information about the Petitioner.

2. INFORMATION ABOUT ME, THE RESPONDENT. Fill in your name, address (if not protected), date of birth, job title, and relationship to the minor child(ren). This is basic information.

3. VENUE: Generally, if either one of the parents or the minor children are residents of Graham County, the case can be taken care of here, even if everyone is not a resident of this State.

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Furthermore the Respondent must also be legally brought into the lawsuit in Arizona. See the following comments for help on deciding this.

A. Important notice about when a party can bring a child custody case in the Superior Court in Arizona: Generally a party must have resided in Arizona with the minor child for at least 6 months, or Arizona must be the child's primary place of residence before filing a child custody petition. If you have questions regarding this requirement, see a lawyer before filing.

B. Important notice about when you can be sued as a Respondent in Arizona for paternity or child support: A Respondent can be sued in Arizona in a case about establishing, enforcing, or changing a support order, or establishing paternity, if ONE of the following is true about the Respondent:

- The person is a resident of Arizona;
- The person agrees to have the case heard here and files written papers in the court case; or the person was personally served in Arizona (see packet on service to know about this);
- The person lived with the minor child in this state at some time;
- The person lived in this state and provided pre-birth expenses or support for the minor child;
- The minor child lives in this state as a result of the acts or directions of the person;
- The person had sexual intercourse in this state as a result of which the minor child may have been conceived;
- The person signed a birth certificate or affidavit of acknowledgment that is filed in this state;
- The person did any other acts that substantially connect the person with this state (see a lawyer to help you determine this.)

WARNING: Jurisdiction over the Respondent is very serious. If you have any doubts about whether it was proper for the Petitioner to sue you in Arizona, you should see a lawyer IMMEDIATELY, and BEFORE you file any written response or answer or other court paper.

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4. INFORMATION ABOUT THE MINOR CHILD(REN). This paragraph references the Affidavit of Minor Children. You must fill out this form, a copy of which is in your packet if the information is different than what the other person says. The Affidavit of Minor Children asks for information about all the minor children for whom you want this paternity order, with custody, Parenting Time, and child support. The same persons should be the mother and the father for all the minor children involved in this court case. If you think the minor children have different fathers or mothers, you need to say so and then file a motion for an order that this case has nothing to do with those children, asking that those minor children's names be deleted from the lawsuit, or asking that those fathers or mothers are joined as parties to this lawsuit. See a lawyer to help you with this. The Petitioner will have to file a separate lawsuit against those fathers or mothers.

STATEMENTS ABOUT PATERNITY:

5. WHY YOU THINK YOU OR THE OTHER PERSON IS NOT THE FATHER OF THE MINOR CHILDREN. Mark whichever box describes your reason.

AFFIDAVIT: Mark this box if both you and the other party did <u>not</u> sign an Acknowledgment of Paternity stating that the Petitioner or Respondent is the father of the minor child(ren).

BIRTH CERTIFICATE: Mark this box and print the father's name here *if a different father is named* on each minor child's birth certificate. Attach a copy of the birth certificate(s) to the *Response*.

BLOOD TEST: Mark this box if paternity has not been established through a DNA blood test of the mother, father and minor child(ren).

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PARTIES NOT LIVING TOGETHER: Mark this box if the Petitioner and Respondent were not married to each other during the 10 months before the birth of the minor children or did not live together during the period(s) when the minor child(ren) could have been conceived.

NO SEXUAL INTERCOURSE: Mark this box if the parties were not living together and did not have sexual intercourse at the date of conception.

SEXUAL INTERCOURSE: Mark this box if you believe the mother of the minor children had sexual intercourse with someone else during the period in which the minor child(ren) could have been conceived.

OTHER: Mark this box if there is some reason that you believe paternity is wrong.

6. ABOUT MARRIAGE AND HUSBAND. Tell the court about whether the mother was married at the time the minor child(ren) wee born or conceived, or within 10 months before conception or birth. If she was, the Petitioner must add the HUSBAND to the court case, even if he or she says that the husband was not the father of the minor child(ren).

7. SUMMARY OF WHAT I SAY ABOUT THE CHILDREN THAT IS DIFFERENT FROM WHAT THE PETITIONER ASKED FOR IN THE PETITION. Tell the court what is different between what you say about the minor children of this case and what the other party said in the petition.

OTHER STATEMENTS TO THE COURT:

8. MEDICAL EXPENSES: Mark this box if there were expenses for the birth of the minor child(ren), and who you think should pay.

9. OTHER EXPENSES: This tells the Court that the parties should pay for bills not covered by insurance in an amount equal to their respective incomes.

10. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: This tells the Court if there was significant domestic violence in the relationship, and relates to a request for joint custody, if you intend to ask for joint custody. Mark the box corresponding to your situation.

11. GENERAL DENIAL: This tells the Court that, even if you did not answer each and everything said in the petition, you deny what you did not address. This is extra protection for you.

REQUESTS MADE TO THE COURT IN THIS LAWSUIT. This section of the Response formally requests that the Court make Orders relating to issues such as paternity, legal decision making (custody), parenting time and support.

1. PATERNITY: Mark the box to say whether the man should or should not have a paternity order against him, and put the father's full name on the line provided. Even if you want the Judge to order that there is NO PATERNITY, the Judge might find a legal reason to order paternity over your objection. In that case, the Judge will also decide child custody, parenting time, support, and other issues. Mark the remaining issues to say how you think those issues should be resolved if either you agree to the paternity issue, or you disagree but the Judge finds paternity anyway.

   A. BIRTH CERTIFICATE(S): Mark this box only if you want to have the father's name added to the birth certificate(s). You should write the father's full name as it would appear on the birth certificates.

   B. CHILD(REN)'S LAST NAME: Mark this box only if you want the minor child(ren)'s last name changed. Say what name you want (mother's or father's)

2. LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY) AND PARENTING TIME OF MINOR CHILDREN:

   A. PRIMARY RESIDENCE: Tell the court which parent's home is to be the primary residence of the children. Then, tell the court about parenting time (visitation).

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B. PARENTING TIME: Mark one box only. You can ask that the non-primary residential parent (the parent having physical custody of the minor child less than 50% of the time) have one of the following types of parenting time:

1. Reasonable Parenting Time. This suggests an amount of parenting time appropriate to the age of the minor child. The court offers suggested amounts of parenting time, but the amount can vary by agreement of both parents.

2. Supervised Parenting Time to the Non-Primary Residential Parent. You may request supervised Parenting Time if the non-primary residential parent cannot adequately care for the minor child(ren)ren or cannot do so without another person present. You may request this if the person not having legal decision making (custody) abuses drugs or alcohol; is violent or abusive; or, does not have the parenting skills to care for the minor child(ren) without another adult present. Remember, supervised or no parenting time is not intended to punish the parent, but to protect the minor child(ren). You must write in specifically why you say the parenting time should be supervised, the person who should supervise, requested restrictions and who should pay the cost of supervised parenting time.

3. No Parenting Time to Parent with No Legal Decision Making (Custody). You must write in why there should be no parenting time. You should mark this option only if the non-residential parent has seriously harmed, abused, or otherwise is a serious danger to the minor child(ren)'s physical and emotional health, or if there is a criminal Court Order stating there is to be no contact between the minor child(ren) and the non-residential parent. This is a last resort to protect the minor child(ren).

C. JOINT LEGAL DECISION MAKING (Joint Custody). If you are asking for joint legal decision making, you will need to file a Joint Legal Decision Making (Joint Custody) Agreement signed by both parents which will be given to the judge for court approval later in the process. The Joint Legal Decision Making (Joint Custody) Agreement is part of the "Parenting Plan" contained in Packet 4, "The Court Order".

3. CHILD SUPPORT: Mark which party should pay child support.

4. HEALTH, MEDICAL, DENTAL INSURANCE AND HEALTH CARE EXPENSES: Mark which party should be responsible for health, medical and dental insurance.

5. MOTHER'S EXPENSES: Mark this box indicating if Petitioner or Respondent should be required to pay expenses relating to the birth of the minor child(ren).

6. TESTING AND COSTS: Mark this box to ask who should pay for blood or tissue tests necessary to establish paternity. Generally, if the father opposes the paternity order, and the tests prove the person is the father, the court will order the father to pay all testing costs.

7. OTHER ORDERS: Mark this box only if you have made other requests of the Court. If you mark the box, write the specific additional orders you are requesting the Court to make that were not covered elsewhere in your Response/Answer.

OATH AND VERIFICATION: Sign this form in front of a notary. By doing so you are telling the court that everything contained in the Paternity Response is true. Then mail a copy of your Response and other documents to the other party and sign your name telling the court you have mailed the documents or you will mail the documents.

NEXT STEP: Then read the document in the instructions packet called PROCEDURES: HOW TO FILE A RESPONSE TO A PETITION TO ESTABLISH PATERNITY.

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PROCEDURES: HOW TO FILE A RESPONSE TO A PETITION ABOUT PATERNITY, LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY), CHILD SUPPORT AND PARENTING TIME

1. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

- ***Sensitive Data Sheet*** **(Do NOT copy. Do NOT send to other party.)**
- ***Response*** **(Make 2 copies)**

2. FILE THE PAPERS AT THE CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT FILING COUNTER: The court is open from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. You should go to the court at least two hours before it closes. You may file your papers at any of the following Superior Court locations:

GRAHAM COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
800 W MAIN STREET
SAFFORD, AZ 85546

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FEES: A list of current fees is available from the Self Service Center and from the Clerk of Court's website.

If this is the first time one of the parties or his or her attorney has "appeared", that is, filed papers in this case, a substantial "**appearance fee**" (also known as a "response" or "answer" fee) *will be due from that party* at the time of filing.

If you cannot afford the filing fee and/or the fee for having the papers served by the Sheriff or by publication, you may request a deferral (payment plan) when you file your papers with the Clerk of the Court. Deferral Applications are available at no charge from the Self-Service Center.

FILE THE RESPONSE AND PAY THE FILING FEE: (also known as "response" or "answer" fee).

- File the "***Sensitive Data Sheet",*** the original and both copies of your ***"Response"*** with the Clerk of Court, and pay your filing fee.
- The Clerk will keep the originals, stamp and return the copies to you.
- Make sure you receive both (2) copies back from the Clerk and they have been stamped.

3. MAIL A COPY TO THE OTHER PARTY: Mail or hand-deliver one copy to the other party. If an attorney represents the other party, mail or hand-deliver the copy to the attorney whose name and address appears on the ***Petition***. If DES is already involved in child support matters regarding any of the children in this case, send a copy to DES as well at:

Attorney General, Child Support Enforcement,
P. O. Box 6123, Site Code 775 C,
Phoenix, AZ 85005**.**

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4. KEEP THE LAST COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS.

5. WHAT TO DO WITH THE OTHER DOCUMENTS IN THIS PACKET:

- ***Affidavit Regarding Minor Children***
- ***Parents Worksheet for Child Support***

You may either:

- Complete the papers now, file the original and two copies along with your other court papers and provide Clerk-stamped copies to the other party, ***OR***
- Complete the papers before the final court hearing date and bring them to the hearing.

For the ***Parents Worksheet for Child Support***, refer to the separate instructions and the **Arizona Child Support Guidelines** to complete that form, ***or*** you may substitute a printout of the worksheet produced by the Superior Court's ***online*** Child Support Calculator.

6. WHAT WILL HAPPEN NEXT?

You will receive an Order from the court telling you and the other party to come to an ERC (Early Resolution Conference). You **must** come to that conference *or you will be charged a "no show" fee for failure to appear.*

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PARENTING PLAN INFORMATION

A.R.S. § 25-401 defines legal decision-making and parenting time as follows:

1. **"Legal Decision-Making"** means the legal right and responsibility to make all nonemergency legal decisions for a child including those regarding education, health care, religious training and personal care decisions.

2. **"Joint Legal Decision-Making"** means both parents share decision-making and neither parent's rights or responsibilities are superior except with respect to specified decisions as set forth by the court or the parents in the final judgment or order.

> **PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:** Per A.R.S § 25-403.09, an award of joint legal decision-making or a substantially equal parenting time plan does not diminish the responsibility of either parent to provide for the support of the child. Also note that joint legal decision-making does not necessarily mean equal parenting time. A.R.S. § 25-403.02(E)

3. **"Sole Legal Decision-Making"** means one parent has the legal right and responsibility to make major decisions for a child.

4. **"Parenting Time"** means the schedule of time during which each parent has access to a child at specified times. Each parent during their scheduled parenting time is responsible for providing the child with food, clothing and shelter and may make routine decisions concerning the child's care.

You may view the "Parenting Time Guidelines" online at the Arizona Supreme Court's website.

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Drafting a Parenting Plan:

The written parenting plan pays attention to how the parents will make decisions pertaining to the child(ren)'s education, health care, religious training, and personal care; it is a blend of specific information with generalized plans of action. It should reflect what the parents are currently doing or what they actually plan to do. It should reflect a commitment to the minor child(ren)'s needs as predominant.

If the parents cannot agree on a plan for legal decision-making or parenting time, each parent must submit a proposed parenting plan. A.R.S. § 25-403.02(A)

In order for the court to approve a parenting plan, A.R.S. § 25-403.02 requires the court to make the following findings:

a. The best interests of the minor child(ren) are served;
b. The plan designates legal decision-making as joint or sole;
c. The plan sets forth each parent's rights and responsibilities for the personal care of the minor child(ren) and for decisions in areas such as education, health care, and religious training;
d. The plan provides a practical schedule of parenting time for the child, including holidays and school vacations;
e. The plan includes a procedure for exchanges of the child, including location and responsibility for transportation;

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f. The plan includes a procedure by which proposed changes, disputes and alleged breaches may be mediated or resolved, which may include the use of Conciliation Services or private counseling;

g. The plan includes a procedure for periodic review (e.g., parents agree to review the terms of the agreement every 12 months.);

h. The plan includes a procedure for communicating with each other about the child, including methods and frequency;

i. The plan includes a statement that each party has read, understands, and will abide by the notification requirements of A.R.S. § 25-403.05(B). (A parent must immediately notify the other parent if the parent knows that a convicted/registered sex offender or a person who has been convicted of a dangerous crime against children may have access to the child. Notice must be provided (i) by first class mail, return receipt requested, (ii) by electronic means to an e-mail address the recipient provided to the parent for notification purposes, or (iii) by other communication accepted by the court.)

The following questions may be used as a starting place when drafting a parenting plan:

1. **The geographical location of the parents:** Where do parents live relative to one another? What are their addresses? Permanent or temporary?

2. **Arrangements regarding the residential requirements of the minor child(ren):** How much time will the minor child(ren) spend with each parent? Be as specific as possible, including days and times.

3. **Arrangements for holidays and vacations:** What are your plans for summer vacation and school breaks? List specific details including dates and times.

4. **Arrangements for education:** How will decisions be made for educational matters? For example, if preschool age, what school will the minor child(ren) attend? If private school, who pays what?

5. **Additional transportation arrangements:** Will any additional transportation arrangements be needed? If so, what will be the responsibilities of each parent?

6. **Determinations regarding minor child(ren)'s health care:** For example, how will medical decisions be made? Who will provide insurance? How are non-insured expenses paid? Who decides on seeking non-emergency treatment? Is there a dental plan? If not, who will pay what?

7. **Arrangements regarding extraordinary expenses:** For example, what financial arrangements are made for the minor child(ren) (such as each sharing extraordinary expenditures and the parent with whom the minor child(ren) resides bearing the ordinary ones during the minor child(ren)'s residency)? A fixed amount per month?

8. **Arrangements for minor child(ren)'s religious training, if any:** For example, how will decisions be made for religious training? What, if any, are the plans for religious training?

9. **Any other factors:** What other arrangements (such as music lessons, sports/activity fees, camp or Scouts) are needed?

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Person Filing: (1) _____
Address (if not protected):_____
City, State, Zip Code:_____
Telephone:_____
Email Address:_____
ATLAS Number: _____
Lawyer's Bar Number:_____

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SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN GRAHAM COUNTY(2)

PARENT'S WORKSHEET FOR CHILD SUPPORT

(3) Petitioner: _____ **(4)** Case No. _____

(3) Respondent: _____ **(4)** ATLAS: _____

(5) Total Number of Children: _____

(6) Parent with Primary Physical Custody:
Father ☐ Mother ☐

(7) Parent who is filing this form: Father ☐ Mother ☐

(8) Gross Income figures for the OTHER PARENT are:

☐ **ACTUAL,** with proof, such as a recent W2 or pay stub attached, or other party's signed statement.

☐ **ESTIMATED,** based on facts or knowledge of pay before promotion or of others in similar job.

☐ **ATTRIBUTED**, based on what other party could and should be earning (see Guidelines 5e).

	FATHER		MOTHER
Gross Income (Pre-Tax Income. Before deductions.)	$ _____	(9)	$ _____
Spousal Maintenance Paid	$ - _____	(10)	$ - _____
Spousal Maintenance Received	$ + _____	(11)	$ + _____
Child Support Paid/Contributed	$ - _____	(12)	$ - _____
Other Support of Children Paid	$ - _____	(13)	$ - _____
Adjusted Gross Income	$ _____	(14)	$ _____

Combined Adjusted Gross Income (15) $ _____

Basic Child Support Obligation (16) $ _____

Plus Costs for:

Medical/Dental/Vision Insurance	$ _____	(17)	$ _____
Childcare	$ _____	(18)	$ _____
Education Expenses	$ _____	(19)	$ _____
Extraordinary/Special Needs Child Expenses	$ _____	(20)	$ _____

No. of Children Age 12 or Over _____ Adjustment _____% (21) $ _____

Total Adjustments for Costs (22) $ _____

Total Child Support Obligation $ _____ (23) $ _____

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	FATHER		MOTHER
Each Parent's % of Combined Income	_____ **%**	(24)	_____ **%**
Each Parent's Share of Tot. Support Obligation	**$** _____	(25)	**$** _____
Adjustment for Non Custodial Parent's Costs Associated with Parenting Time			
Using Table A ☐ **Table B** ☐	**$** _____	(26)	**$** _____
No. of Days _____ **=** _____**% Adjustment** (from table) **x** Line **(16) $**_____ (Basic Child Support Obligation)	**$** _____	(27)	**$** _____
Less Noncustodial Parent's Costs for:			
Medical/Dental/Vision Insurance*	**$** _____	(28)	**$** _____
Childcare*	**$** _____	(29)	**$** _____
Education Expenses*	**$** _____	(30)	**$** _____
Extraordinary/Special Needs Child Expenses*	**$** _____	(31)	**$** _____
***Subtract here ONLY if ADDED-IN items 17-20 above			
Adjustments Subtotal	**$** _____	(32)	**$** _____
Preliminary Child Support Amount	**$** _____	(33)	**$** _____
Self Support Reserve Test for Parent Who Will Pay			
Amount from Line (14) _____ (Adj. Gross Inc.)			
Minus Reserve Amount **- $1,115.00**			
Total **=**	**$** _____	(34)	**$** _____
Child Support to be Paid by: Father ☐ **Mother** ☐	**$**	(35)	**$**
Share of Travel Expenses Related to Parenting Time*	_____ **%**	(36)	_____ **%**
***Only** for expenses related to travel over 100 miles, one way.			
Share of Medical/Dental/Vision Costs Not Paid by Insurance	_____ **%**	(37)	_____ **%**

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on:_____ _____

Date **Signature of Parent**

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INFORMATION ABOUT ADR (ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION) PROCESSES

ADR is any peaceful alternative to the courtroom process that helps parties in court disputes reach settlement without having the judge decide all issues. Court sponsored ADR programs are currently available at no extra cost, or you may choose to hire a private ADR provider at your own expense. There are different types of ADR processes, several of which, including mediation, arbitration, and settlement conferences, are explained below.

The purpose of ADR is to encourage settlement of family court cases.

Benefits of ADR include, but are not limited to:

- ADR provides parties opportunity to resolve disputes more quickly and less expensively than a full trial.
- ADR provides parties more control over the outcome in a negotiated settlement.
- ADR provides parties greater satisfaction with results than litigation.
- ADR provides parties a greater chance of establishing or maintaining a working relationship.

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COURT SPONSORED ADR OPTIONS

MEDIATION OR OPEN NEGOTIATION through CONCILIATION SERVICES of child custody or parenting time (formerly "visitation"), are court-sponsored ADR alternatives where parties work with a neutral third party (the "mediator" or "negotiator") to reach mutual agreement on future parenting responsibilities. Parents choosing to mediate or negotiate through Conciliation Services are **required** to attend a minimum number of mediation sessions.

Mediation offers parents an opportunity to make their own decisions about their child(ren)'s future care. The mediator, a neutral counselor, works with parties to reach agreement regarding custody and/or parenting time. Mediation conferences are private and confidential. Nothing said or written during mediation may be disclosed unless all parties to the mediation give their consent. The mediator helps parents identify their child(ren)'s needs and each parent's ability to meet those needs, by restructuring family relationships. Together, they generate options and consider choices to develop a workable parenting plan that meet the child(ren)'s best interests. Parties who reach agreement in mediation have a 14 day "objection period" to raise any concerns or points of confusion contained in the agreement. If no objections are raised, the Parenting Plan is adopted as an order of the court, which makes it binding on the parties.

Open negotiation is a process similar to mediation, in that the negotiator helps parties identify their child(ren)'s needs, and how they will meet those needs in the future. However, open negotiation is NOT confidential. Parties meet with the negotiator to try to resolve their differences. If they are unable to agree, the negotiator may give feedback to the court on areas of agreement and disagreement. In addition, attorneys are entitled to be present in open negotiation sessions, if they so choose.

There is currently no extra charge for these services *pre-decree*. If however you return to court to mediate custody or parenting time (visitation) issues *post-decree,* after a court order has been signed, "post-decree mediation fees" will apply.

SETTLEMENT CONFERENCES are pre-trial meetings between the parties, their attorneys (if represented) and the conference officer, where they attempt to settle all issues in dispute before going to trial. The judicial officer helps parties evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of their case and may also suggest ways to resolve disputed matters, but they will not decide the case or make recommendations to the Court. There is currently no extra charge for this service.

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PRIVATE PROVIDER OPTIONS (You are responsible for all costs.)

In Private Mediation, parties work with a neutral third party (the mediator), who helps them identify their needs and explore viable options to settle all issues surrounding their Family Court case, including custody, parenting time, child support, property division, etc. With the aid of the mediator, the parties can determine the outcome of their case. A roster of private mediators is available through the Court's Self-Service Center. You can access the Family Court Mediator Rosters at:

GRAHAM COUNTY CLERK OF THE COURT
800 W MAIN ST
SAFFORD, AZ 85546
M – F, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

OR via the Superior Court Web page via the Internet.

In Private Settlement Conference, the ADR neutral helps parties reach settlement by taking a more directive approach than in mediation. The neutral will focus on the conflict's legal issues, realistically evaluating case strengths and weaknesses, and actively suggesting and weighing options for the parties to consider, as they attempt to resolve their case.

In Private Arbitration your case is submitted to one or more neutral individuals, who after receiving evidence and hearing arguments have the power to make a decision resolving the dispute (unlike mediation, where the mediator does not make a decision for the parties). In arbitration, parties may limit the range of issues to be decided or the scope of relief to be awarded and arbitration may be binding or non-binding. When parties agree to binding-arbitration, the arbitrator's decision is final; it can be enforced by the court and may not be appealable. When arbitration is non-binding, the arbitrator's decision is advisory and will be final only if parties agree to adopt it. Some arbitration providers are listed in the Yellow Pages under "Arbitration Services".

Private Judging involves hiring an individual, usually an experienced attorney or former judge, to act as a judge in your case. The person acting as judge listens to each party present their case and makes a decision. The decision is usually legally binding (has the force of law) but may be advisory (a suggested solution), depending on what the parties agree to in advance. Attorneys may be consulted at any time. The proceedings are private and confidential. The decision may be made part of a court judgment or ruling as well.

OTHER PRIVATE OPTIONS: Private ADR providers may offer additional options or variations on those already described. Some may also offer evening or weekend hours or other conveniences. Some churches or other religious or social service organizations may also offer family counseling, arbitration or mediation services. You may also find additional providers listed in the Maricopa County Directory of Human Services and Self-Help Support Groups, available at public libraries or by phone at 602-263-8856.

You may also find private providers in the Yellow Pages under "Arbitration" and "Mediation." Be aware that there are differences among private providers. While some are trained specialists, counselors, and attorneys, others are not. There are no licensing or minimal educational requirements to advertise as a mediator, arbitrator, or alternative dispute resolution provider.

As with hiring any private business for service, we recommend asking friends and relatives for referrals for any of the services mentioned above. You are responsible for all costs involved in using private providers.

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SELF-SERVICE CENTER

RESPONSE TO PETITION TO ESTABLISH PATERNITY, CHILD CUSTODY,* PARENTING TIME, AND SUPPORT

(*Including Request for Order Declaring Primary Residence and Authority for Legal Decision Making concerning the Minor Children (Legal Custody)

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CHECKLIST

You may use this packet if . . .

- ✓ **Someone filed a petition to establish a court order concerning your minor child or children declaring:**

  - PATERNITY (legally establishing who the father is),
  - Which parent's home will be primary residence,
  - Who has legal authority to make decisions concerning the children,
  - Time each parent is to have with the children, and (optionally)
  - Child support, **AND**

- ✓ You want to file a ***"Response"*** to tell the Court that you disagree with something stated or requested in the ***"Petition".***

READ ME: Consulting a lawyer before filing documents with the court may help prevent unexpected results. A list of lawyers you may hire to advise you on handling your own case or to perform specific tasks, as well as a list of court-approved mediators can be found on the Self-Service Center website.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN GRAHAM COUNTY

_____
Petitioner

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Respondent

Case No. _____

ATLAS No. _____

FAMILY COURT / SENSITIVE DATA COVERSHEET WITH CHILDREN
(CONFIDENTIAL RECORD)

Fill out. File with Clerk of Court. Social Security Numbers should appear on this form only and should be omitted from other court forms. Access Confidential pursuant to ARFLP 43(G)(1).

A. Personal Information:	**Petitioner**	**Respondent**
Name		
Gender	☐ **Male or** ☐ **Female**	☐ **Male or** ☐ **Female**
Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)		
Social Security Number		

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Mailing Address		
City, State, Zip Code		
Contact Phone		
Email Address		
Current Employer Name		
Employer Address		
Employer City, State, Zip Code		
Employer Telephone Number		
Employer Fax Number		

B. Child(ren) Information:

Child Name	Gender	Child Social Security Number	Child Date of Birth

C. Type of Case being filed - Check only one category.
Check only if no other category applies

Interpreter Needed: ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

☐	**Dissolution (Divorce)**	☐	**Paternity**	**If yes, what language?**
☐	**Legal Separation**	☐	***Legal Decision Maker (Custody)/Visitation**	
☐	**Annulment**	☐	***Child Support**	
☐	**Order of Protection**	☐	**Other**	

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SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN GRAHAM COUNTY

_____
Name of Petitioner

Case Number: _____

RESPONSE TO PETITION TO ESTABLISH PATERNITY, LEGAL DECISION MAKING (Custody), PARENTING TIME and CHILD SUPPORT

_____
Name of Respondent

STATEMENTS TO THE COURT UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY:

1. INFORMATION ABOUT THE PETITIONER (THE OTHER PARTY)

Name: _____
Address: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Occupation: _____
Relationship to children for whom Petitioner wants the Court Order:

☐ **Mother**
☐ **Father or Claims to be the Father**
☐ **Other. (Explain)** _____

2. INFORMATION ABOUT THE RESPONDENT (ME)

Name: _____
Address: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Occupation: _____
MY Relationship to children for whom the Petitioner wants the Court Order:

☐ **Mother**
☐ **Father or Claims to be the Father**
☐ **Other. (Explain)** _____

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3. VENUE: (check box if true)

☐ **This is NOT the proper court to bring this lawsuit under Arizona law because it is not the county of residence of the petitioner, or the respondent, or the minor child(ren).**

4. INFORMATION ABOUT MINOR CHILDREN is contained in the Affidavit Regarding Minor Children contained within the Petition or filed with the Petition and incorporated by reference.

STATEMENTS ABOUT PATERNITY:

5. WHY YOU THINK YOU OR THE OTHER PERSON IS NOT THE FATHER OF THE MINOR CHILD(REN): (Check all boxes that apply)

A. ☐ **AFFIDAVIT:** Petitioner and Respondent **did not sign** an **Affidavit or Acknowledgment of Paternity** acknowledging that ☐ Petitioner or ☐ Respondent is the child(ren)'s natural father.

B. ☐ **BIRTH CERTIFICATE:** (Name)_____ **is not named as the father** on the minor child(ren)'s birth certificate(s), **and** (if applicable) the name listed below **is** listed as the father on minor children's birth certificates:

_____

C. ☐ **BLOOD TEST:** The parties had DNA (Deoxyribonucleic Acid) testing and the Petitioner / _____ (name of father) is shown **not** to be the minor child(ren)'s natural father. A copy of the test results is attached to this Response.

D. ☐ **PARTIES NOT LIVING TOGETHER:** Petitioner and Respondent were not married to each other at any time during the ten months before the birth of the minor child(ren). The parties did not live together during the period(s) when the minor child(ren) could have been conceived.

E. ☐ **NO SEXUAL INTERCOURSE:** Petitioner and Respondent were not living together and did not have sexual intercourse at the probable date of conception of the minor child(ren).

F. ☐ **SEXUAL INTERCOURSE:** The mother of the minor children had sexual intercourse with someone else during the period in which the minor child(ren) could have been conceived.

G. **OTHER:** (explain) _____

_____

6. ABOUT MARRIAGE AND HUSBAND (if applicable, check one box only).

☐ **Mother was not married** at the time the minor child(ren) were born or conceived or at least 10 months before minor child(ren) were born or conceived, **OR**

☐ **Mother was married** when minor child(ren) were born or conceived or at least 10 months before the minor child(ren) were born or conceived, but husband is not the father of minor child(ren). (Husband must be included as a party to this court case because of marriage.)

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7. SUMMARY OF WHAT I SAY ABOUT THE MINOR CHILDREN THAT IS DIFFERENT FROM WHAT THE PETITIONER STATED IN THE PETITION: (Explain)

_____

_____

_____

_____

OTHER STATEMENTS TO THE COURT

8. MEDICAL EXPENSES: (check the boxes that apply)

☐ **There are unreimbursed medical expenses** incurred by the mother, resulting from the birth of the minor child(ren), that should be awarded to ☐ **Petitioner** OR ☐ **Respondent** according to law; **OR**

☐ **There are no unreimbursed medical expenses** incurred by the mother, resulting from the birth of the minor child(ren)

9. OTHER EXPENSES: The parties should be ordered to divide between them any uninsured medical, dental, or health expenses, reasonably incurred for the minor child(ren), in proportion to their respective incomes.

10. THE PARENT INFORMATION PROGRAM (PIP) is required for persons seeking legal decision making authority (custody) or parenting time. (Check one)

☐ **I have** ☐ **I have not already completed the Parenting Information Program (PIP).**

11. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: (If you intend to ask for joint legal decision making (joint custody), there must have been no domestic violence between the parties or you must provide reasons for the court to find joint legal custody is in the best interests of the minor(s) *despite* the domestic violence. (A.R.S. § 25-403.03). (Check one box)

☐ **There has been domestic violence in this relationship and no legal decision making (no joint or sole custody) should be awarded to ☐ petitioner ☐ respondent who committed the violence.**

☐ **Domestic violence has not occurred in this relationship; OR**

☐ **Domestic violence has occurred in this relationship but the court should find it is in the best interests of the minor child(ren) to award joint or sole legal decision making (joint or sole custody) to the person who committed the violence *because:* (Explanation Required)**

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_____

_____

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12. GENERAL DENIAL: I deny anything stated in the complaint that I have not specifically admitted, qualified, or denied.

REQUESTS TO THE COURT:

1. FOR ORDER OF PATERNITY:

Issue order declaring that the petitioner / respondent claimed to be the father, (named below)

☐ **IS** (OR) ☐ **IS NOT the natural father of the minor child(ren),**

IN THE EVENT THE COURT ORDERS THAT ABOVE-NAMED PETITIONER/RESPONDENT IS THE NATURAL FATHER, THEN THE COURT SHOULD ALSO ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

A. BIRTH CERTIFICATE: (check the box and complete if this is desired)

☐ **Order that the name of the father as appears on his birth certificate or other legal document should be added to each minor child's birth certificate as the father;**

B. LAST NAME: (check the box and complete if this this is desired)

☐ **Order that each minor child's last name be changed to the last name of:**

2. FOR ORDER DECLARING PRIMARY RESIDENCE, PARENTING TIME, AND AUTHORITY FOR LEGAL DECISION MAKING (LEGAL CUSTODY):

A. PRIMARY RESIDENCE: Declare which parent's home shall be primary residence for each minor child as follows:

☐ Declare **Mother's home as** primary residence for the following named children:

☐ Declare **Father's home** as primary residence for the following named children:

subject to parenting time, as follows:

B. PARENTING TIME: Award parenting time as follows:

☐ **Reasonable parenting time** rights to the non-primary residential parent, **OR**

☐ **Supervised parenting time** between the children and ☐ Mother OR ☐ Father, **OR**

☐ **No parenting time** rights to the ☐ Mother OR ☐ Father.

If supervised or no parenting time is requested above, find that it is in the best interests of the child(ren) *because:*

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☐ Explanation continues on attached pages made part of this document by reference.

a. Name this person to supervise: _____

b. Additionally restrict parenting time as follows: _____

_____

_____

c. Order cost of supervised parenting time (if applicable) **to be paid by:**

☐ Mother

☐ Father, **OR**

☐ Shared equally by the parties.

C. LEGAL DECISION MAKING (Legal Custody):

Award legal authority to make decisions concerning the child(ren) (legal custody) as follows:

☐ **SOLE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING (sole legal custody) to**: ☐ **Mother** ☐ **Father**

OR

☐ **JOINT LEGAL DECISION MAKING (joint custody) to BOTH PARENTS.**

Mother and Father will agree to act as joint legal decision makers (joint legal custodians) of the minor children, as set forth in the ***Joint Legal Decision Making*** (joint custody) ***Agreement*** contained in the ***Parenting Plan***, to be agreed upon and signed by both parties **if** the Court adopts the terms of the **Agreement** (The Parenting Plan is submitted later in the process). There have been no significant acts of domestic violence, as defined by Arizona law, A.R.S. § 13-3601, by either parent or it is in the best interests of the minor child(ren) to award joint custody despite any violence that occurred.

(Check "**3**" below if you are asking for a child support order or a change of child support in this case.)

3. ☐ CHILD SUPPORT: **Order that child support shall be paid by** (check one box)

☐ **Mother** ☐ **Father in a reasonable amount as determined by the Court under the Arizona Child Support Guidelines and the attached Child Support Worksheet.** Support payments shall begin on the first day of the first month following the entry of the court order establishing paternity and child support. These payments, plus a fee for handling, shall be paid through the Support Clearinghouse and collected by automatic income withholding order.

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4. MEDICAL, DENTAL, VISION CARE FOR MINOR CHILDREN: Order that:

☐ **Mother** is responsible for providing: ☐ medical ☐ dental ☐ vision care insurance.

☐ **Father** is responsible for providing: ☐ medical ☐ dental ☐ vision care insurance.

Order that Mother and Father pay for all reasonable unreimbursed medical, dental, vision care, and health-related expenses incurred for the minor child(ren) in proportion to their respective incomes as described on the Parents' Worksheet, which shall be submitted with the Judgment and Order.

5. EXPENSES OF MOTHER: Order that ☐ Petitioner OR ☐ Respondent pay a reasonable amount to cover unreimbursed expenses incurred by the mother related to the birth of the child(ren).

6. TESTING and COSTS: Order that if paternity is contested, Petitioner and Respondent be ordered to submit to such blood and tissue tests as may be necessary by this Court to establish paternity. And, that the other party pay all costs and expenses of this lawsuit under Arizona law, A.R.S. § 25-809, including blood tests or other genetic testing; filing each child's birth certificate, attorney's fees and court costs;

7. OTHER ORDERS I AM REQUESTING (explain request here):_____

_____

_____

UNDER OATH OR BY AFFIRMATION

I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that the contents of this document are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

_____ Date

_____ Signature

Sworn to or Affirmed before me this _____ (Date) by _____ Printed Name

My Commission Expires: (or Seal below) _____

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A copy of this response will be mailed to the other party on: _____ Month / Date / Year

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SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
IN GRAHAM COUNTY

_____
Name of Petitioner

_____
Name of Respondent

Case Number: _____

ATLAS Number: _____
(if applicable)

AFFIDAVIT REGARDING MINOR CHILDREN

NOTICE: This *"Affidavit Regarding Minor Children"* is required for all legal decision making (custody) cases. If you are asking to modify an existing Arizona legal decision making (custody) order, it is only required if the children have lived outside the state at some time in the last 5 years.

Fill out this Affidavit completely, and provide accurate information. Use additional paper if necessary. You must give copies of this Affidavit and all other required documents to the other party, and to the judge.

1. CHILDREN OF THE PARTIES WHO ARE UNDER 18 YEARS OLD. The following child(ren) are under age 18 and were born to, or adopted by, me and the other party.

Name:_____ Name:_____

Birthdate:_____Age:_____ Birthdate:_____Age:_____

Name:_____ Name:_____

Birthdate:_____Age:_____ Birthdate:_____ Age:_____

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2. INFORMATION REGARDING WHERE THE CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS OLD HAVE LIVED FOR THE LAST 5 YEARS (or since birth, if younger than 5).

Child's Name:_____ Dates: From_____ To_____

Address:_____ Lived with:_____

City, State:_____ Relationship to Child:_____

Child's Name:_____ Dates: From_____ To_____

Address:_____ Lived with:_____

City, State:_____ Relationship to Child:_____

Child's Name:_____ Dates: From_____ To_____

Address:_____ Lived with:_____

City, State:_____ Relationship to Child:_____

3. COURT CASES IN WHICH I HAVE BEEN A PARTY/WITNESS THAT INVOLVED THE LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY) AND/OR PARENTING TIME OF THE MINOR CHILD(REN). (Check one box.)

☐ I have or ☐ I have **not** been a party/witness in court in this state or in any other state that involved the legal decision making (custody) and/or parenting time of the child(ren) named above. (If so, explain on separate paper. If not, go on.)

Name of each child:_____

Name of Court:_____ Court Location:_____

Court Case Number:_____ Current Status:_____

How the child is involved:_____

Summary of any Court Order:_____

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4. INFORMATION REGARDING PENDING COURT CASES RELATED TO THE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY (CUSTODY) OF THE MINOR CHILD(REN).
(Check one box.)
☐ I do have or ☐ I do not have information about a legal decision making (custody) court case relating to any of the children named above that is pending in this state or in any other state. (If so, explain. If not, go on.)

Name of each child:_____

Name of Court:_____ Court Location:_____

Court Case Number:_____ Current Status:_____

How the child is involved:_____

Summary of any Court Order:_____

5. LEGAL DECISION-MAKING (CUSTODY) OR PARENTING TIME CLAIMS OF ANY PERSON. (Check one box.)
☐ I do know or ☐ I do not know a person other than the Petitioner or the Respondent who has physical custody or who claims legal decision-making (custody) or parenting time rights to any of the children named in this Affidavit. (If so, explain below. If not, go on.)

Name of each child:_____

Name of person with the claim: _____

Address of person with the claim:_____

Nature of the claim:_____

OATH OR AFFIRMATION AND VERIFICATION

I swear or affirm that the information on this document is true and correct under penalty of perjury.

_____ _____
Signature Date

Sworn to or Affirmed before me this: _____ by _____
(date)

My Commission Expires: _____ _____
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SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN GRAHAM COUNTY(2)

PARENT'S WORKSHEET FOR CHILD SUPPORT

(3) Petitioner: _____ **(4)** Case No. _____

(3) Respondent: _____ **(4)** ATLAS: _____

(5) Total Number of Children: _____

(6) Parent with Primary Physical Custody:
Father ☐ Mother ☐

(7) Parent who is filing this form: Father ☐ Mother ☐

(8) Gross Income figures for the OTHER PARENT are:

☐ **ACTUAL,** with proof, such as a recent W2 or pay stub attached, or other party's signed statement.

☐ **ESTIMATED,** based on facts or knowledge of pay before promotion or of others in similar job.

☐ **ATTRIBUTED**, based on what other party could and should be earning (see Guidelines 5e).

	FATHER		MOTHER
Gross Income (Pre-Tax Income. Before deductions.)	$ _____	(9)	$ _____
Spousal Maintenance Paid	$ - _____	(10)	$ - _____
Spousal Maintenance Received	$ + _____	(11)	$ + _____
Child Support Paid/Contributed	$ - _____	(12)	$ - _____
Other Support of Children Paid	$ - _____	(13)	$ - _____
Adjusted Gross Income	$ _____	(14)	$ _____

Combined Adjusted Gross Income (15) $ _____

Basic Child Support Obligation (16) $ _____

Plus Costs for:

Medical/Dental/Vision Insurance	$ _____	(17)	$ _____
Childcare	$ _____	(18)	$ _____
Education Expenses	$ _____	(19)	$ _____
Extraordinary/Special Needs Child Expenses	$ _____	(20)	$ _____

No. of Children Age 12 or Over _____ Adjustment _____% (21) $ _____

Total Adjustments for Costs (22) $ _____

Total Child Support Obligation $ _____ (23) $ _____

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	FATHER		MOTHER
Each Parent's % of Combined Income	_____ **%**	(24)	_____ **%**
Each Parent's Share of Tot. Support Obligation	**$** _____	(25)	**$** _____
Adjustment for Non Custodial Parent's Costs Associated with Parenting Time			
Using Table A ☐ **Table B** ☐	**$** _____	(26)	**$** _____
No. of Days _____ **=** _____**% Adjustment** (from table) **x** Line **(16) $**_____ (Basic Child Support Obligation)	**$** _____	(27)	**$** _____
Less Noncustodial Parent's Costs for:			
Medical/Dental/Vision Insurance*	**$** _____	(28)	**$** _____
Childcare*	**$** _____	(29)	**$** _____
Education Expenses*	**$** _____	(30)	**$** _____
Extraordinary/Special Needs Child Expenses*	**$** _____	(31)	**$** _____
***Subtract here ONLY if ADDED-IN items 17-20 above			
Adjustments Subtotal	**$** _____	(32)	**$** _____
Preliminary Child Support Amount	**$** _____	(33)	**$** _____
Self Support Reserve Test for Parent Who Will Pay			
Amount from Line (14) _____ (Adj. Gross Inc.)			
Minus Reserve Amount **- $903.00**			
Total **=**	**$** _____	(34)	**$** _____
Child Support to be Paid by: Father ☐ **Mother** ☐	**$**	(35)	**$**
Share of Travel Expenses Related to Parenting Time*	_____ **%**	(36)	_____ **%**
***Only** for expenses related to travel over 100 miles, one way.			
Share of Medical/Dental/Vision Costs Not Paid by Insurance	_____ **%**	(37)	_____ **%**

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on:_____ _____

Date **Signature of Parent**

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SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
IN GRAHAM COUNTY

_____
Petitioner

Case No. _____

ATLAS No. _____

_____
Respondent

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION STATEMENT TO THE COURT
A.R.F.L.P. 66(E)

Check appropriate box below:
☐ **Petitioner's Statement**

☐ **Respondent's Statement**

☐ **Joint Statement (signed by both parties)**

Pursuant to the Arizona Rules of Family Law Procedure, we hereby state the following, under penalty of perjury:

1. ☐ The parties agree to participate in the following Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process and:
   a. have selected the following ADR process:
      ☐ Arbitration
      ☐ Mediation
      ☐ Settlement Conference
      ☐ Other: _____
   b. ☐ The parties will use a private provider OR
      ☐ The parties request a program provided through the court.
   c. The person or company providing the ADR service is: _____
      _____
   d. The parties expect to complete the ADR process by _____, _____.

2. ☐ The parties have been unable to agree on an ADR process.
   ☐ The ☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent believe(s) that the following ADR process would be appropriate: _____
   ☐ The ☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent request(s) a conference to discuss ADR.
   ☐ The ☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent believe(s) that an ADR process would not be appropriate for the following reason: _____
   _____

_____ Date

_____ Petitioner

_____ Date

_____ Respondent

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