

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
OF OTTAWA COUNTY, OHIO  
JUVENILE DIVISION**

**IN RE:** \_\_\_\_\_ )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )  
(Minor Child or Children)

**CASE NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

**PETITION FOR CUSTODY**

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The undersigned petitioner(s), \_\_\_\_\_, herein being duly sworn states:

1. The name(s) and birth date(s) of the child or children is/are:  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_
2. The Petitioner's relationship to the above child or children is: \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The child or children currently live at \_\_\_\_\_  
and is/are cared for by \_\_\_\_\_. Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The natural or biological mother is \_\_\_\_\_,  
and her current mailing address is \_\_\_\_\_.  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The natural or biological father is \_\_\_\_\_,  
and his current mailing address is \_\_\_\_\_.  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The biological mother has: \_\_\_\_\_ Abandoned the child or children  
\_\_\_\_\_ Contractually relinquished custody  
\_\_\_\_\_ Been totally unable to provide care and support  
\_\_\_\_\_ Been unfit or unsuited to parent the child or children  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Based on the following facts: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

7. The biological father has: \_\_\_\_\_ Abandoned the child or children  
\_\_\_\_\_ Contractually relinquished custody  
\_\_\_\_\_ Been totally unable to provide care and support  
\_\_\_\_\_ Been unfit or unsuited to parent the child or children  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Based on the following facts: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

8. Is the natural or biological mother of the child or children aware of and in agreement with this petition? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Is the natural or biological father of the child or children aware of and in agreement with this petition? \_\_\_\_\_

10. It would be in the best interest of the child or children for the petitioner(s) to have custody for the following reasons:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Petitioner Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Petitioner Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Telephone Number)

**Sworn to and signed in my presence this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Notary Public**

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 JUVENILE DIVISION  
 OTTAWA COUNTY, OHIO

DECLARATION UNDER UNIFORM CHILD CUSTODY  
 JURISDICTION AND ENFORCEMENT ACT (UCCJEA)

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

I, (full legal name) \_\_\_\_\_, being sworn according to law, certify that these proceedings involve the custody of a child, or children and the following statements are true:

1. [ ] I am requesting the court to not disclose my address or that of the child(ren). My address is confidential pursuant to ORC 3127.23(0) and should be placed under seal in that the health, safety, or liberty of myself and/or the child(ren) would be jeopardized by the disclosure of the identifying information.

2. (Number): \_\_\_\_\_ Minor Child(ren) are subject to this proceeding as follows:  
 (Insert the information requested below. The residence information must be given for the last FIVE years.)

a. Child's name		Place of birth	Date of birth	Sex
Period of residence To Present	Address <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential	Person child lived with (name & address)		Relationship
to				
to				
to				
to				

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Period of residence to Present	Address <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential	Person child lived with (name & address)		Relationship
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To			
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b.  Additional children are listed on an attached addendum. (Provide all information for additional children on an attachment.)

**3. Participation in custody proceeding(s): (Check only one)**

\_\_\_\_\_ I HAVE NOT participated as a party, witness, or in any capacity in any other litigation, in this or any other state, concerning the custody of or visitation (parenting time) with any child subject to this proceeding.

\_\_\_\_\_ I HAVE participated as a party, witness, or in any capacity in any other litigation, in this or any other state, concerning the custody of or visitation (parenting time) with any 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):

**4. Information about custody proceeding(s): (Check only one)**

\_\_\_\_\_ I HAVE NO INFORMATION of any proceedings that could affect the current proceeding, including any proceedings relating to custody, domestic violence or protection orders, dependency, neglect or abuse allegations, or that a parent or any member of their household has been convicted of a sexually oriented offense or adoptions concerning any child subject to this proceeding.

\_\_\_\_\_ I HAVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION concerning proceedings that could affect the current proceeding, including any proceedings relating to custody, domestic violence or protection orders, dependency, neglect or abuse allegations, convictions of a sexually oriented offense or adoptions concerning any child subject to this proceeding, other than set out in item 3. Explain:

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

**5. Persons not a party to this proceeding: (Check only one)**

\_\_\_\_\_ I DO NOT KNOW OF ANY PERSON not a party to this proceeding who has physical custody or claims to have custody or visitation rights with respect to any child subject to this proceeding.



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COURT INFORMATION FORM**

**STATE OF OHIO  
COUNTY OF OTTAWA**

\_\_\_\_\_, being first duly sworn, states in answer to the following questions as hereinafter set forth:

1.) CHILD #1:

\_\_\_\_\_  
CHILD'S FULL NAME Date of Birth  
\_\_\_\_\_  
CHILD'S ADDRESS

2.) CHILD #2: (IF APPLICABLE)

\_\_\_\_\_  
CHILD'S FULL NAME Date of Birth  
\_\_\_\_\_  
CHILD'S ADDRESS

\*\* If there are more children, please use a separate sheet of paper to provide the above information and attach to this form.

3.) MOTHER:

\_\_\_\_\_  
MOTHER'S FULL NAME Date of Birth  
\_\_\_\_\_  
MOTHER'S ADDRESS  
\_\_\_\_\_  
EMPLOYER and EMPLOYER'S ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
MOTHER'S TELEPHONE NUMBER CELL PHONE #

4.) FATHER:

\_\_\_\_\_  
FATHER'S FULL NAME Date of Birth  
\_\_\_\_\_  
FATHER'S ADDRESS  
\_\_\_\_\_  
EMPLOYER and EMPLOYER'S ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
FATHER'S TELEPHONE NUMBER CELL PHONE #

5.) GUARDIAN/CUSTODIAN (if other than parent)

\_\_\_\_\_

FULL NAME

\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth

\_\_\_\_\_

GUARDIAN/CUSTODIAN'S ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER and EMPLOYER'S ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_

GUARDIAN/CUSTODIAN'S TELEPHONE #

\_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE #

6.) Who has legal (court-ordered) custody of the child(ren) whose custody or visitation you seek? \_\_\_\_\_

7.) Where (what county and what court) was legal custody established?

\_\_\_\_\_

8.) Who has physical possession of the child(ren) at this time?

\_\_\_\_\_

9.) Were the parents of this/these child(ren) ever married? \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

10.) Was paternity established? \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO (If YES, please provide a copy of the parentage order).

11.) What is your relationship to the child? \_\_\_\_\_

12.) How many adults are in your home? \_\_\_\_\_

13.) Has Ottawa County Department of Job and Family Services ever been involved with this/these child(ren)? \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO. If YES, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

14.) Have you ever been to this Court before for any matters concerning this child? \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO If YES, please explain when and under what circumstances? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

15.) Would mediation be of any assistance in the resolution fo the is matter? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Affiant

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

NOTARY PUBLIC