

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
WINNEBAGO COUNTY, ILLINOIS

_____,
Petitioner,

Vs

No. _____

_____,
Respondent.

PETITION TO ESTABLISH PATERNITY AND FOR CUSTODY OF MINOR CHILD(REN)

I, _____, Petitioner, without the assistance of an attorney, ask this Court to enter an Order establishing paternity and giving me custody of the minor child(ren) listed in this Petition. In support of this Petition, I state as follows:

1. My information:

Name	Address	Date of Birth	Employer	Occupation

2. Respondent's information:

Name	Address	Date of Birth	Employer	Occupation

3. Residency (check all that apply):

- A. I have lived in Illinois since _____ DATE _____.
- B. Respondent has lived in Illinois since _____ DATE _____.

4. Children

A. I am the mother, and Respondent is the father, of the following child(ren):

Name	Date of Birth	Currently Living With
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

(Attach additional pages if needed)

B. I am not currently pregnant by the Respondent.

C. The minor child(ren) has/have lived at the following addresses for the last 5 years, starting with the most recent address (if there is more than one child and the children have lived apart at any time during the last 5 years, then attach additional pages):

Child(ren)'s Name(s) ⇨			
From (date) ↓	To (date) ↓	Address ↓	Lived with whom? ↓
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D. The minor child(ren) now live(s) with: **Petitioner** **Respondent** **Both of us**

E. (a) The minor child(ren) **over** the age of 6 months have lived in Illinois for at least the last 6 months.

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F. Other than the parties to this case, no other person claims to have rights of custody and / or visitation with the minor child(ren), except:

G. I understand that I have a continuing duty to inform the court of any legal proceeding in Illinois, or any other state, that could affect child custody or visitation.

H. **Check (a) or (b):**

(a) I know of **no other court cases** or orders in Illinois, or any other state, concerning the parties or child(ren) (such as orders of protection, paternity, divorce, custody, visitation, child or spousal support, juvenile court cases, cases involving DCFS, etc.).

(b) I know of the following court cases, pending or closed, concerning the parties or child(ren) (such as orders of protection, paternity, divorce, custody, visitation, child or spousal support, juvenile court cases, cases involving DCFS, etc.):

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Relief Requested:

Therefore, I ask that an Order be entered which provides as follows (**Check all that apply**):

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- C. That Respondent's visitation with the minor child(ren) be: Allowed Restricted
 Barred Reserved
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- D. That Respondent pay child support. (*Check this box only if you are asking for sole custody or to be the residential parent with joint custody.*)
OR
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- E. That any other appropriate relief be granted.

CERTIFICATION

Under the penalties for perjury provided by Section 1-109 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, I certify that my statements in this document are true and correct.

DATE: _____

SIGNED: _____
PETITIONER'S SIGNATURE

PRINT PETITIONER'S NAME

PETITIONER'S ADDRESS

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ORDER TO ESTABLISH PATERNITY AND FOR CUSTODY

A hearing on the Petition to Establish Paternity and for Custody of Minor Child(ren) was held in this case on _____.

Proper notice of that hearing was given, and Petitioner Respondent appeared.

The Court **FINDS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Court has personal jurisdiction over the parties, and subject matter jurisdiction over this case.
2. Petitioner and Respondent was/were (an) Illinois resident(s) when the Petition for Custody of Minor Child(ren) was filed, and maintained an Illinois residence for 90 days prior either to that filing date, or to the date of this Order.

3. Children

A. Petitioner is the mother, and Respondent is the father, of the following minor child(ren):

Name	Date of Birth (Month / Date / Year)
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	

(Attach additional pages if needed)

B. Petitioner is not now pregnant.

4. Custody

It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that :

A. **Sole custody** of _____
NAME OF CHILD(REN)
be awarded to Petitioner.

B. **Joint custody** of _____
NAME OF CHILD(REN)
be awarded to the parties, with Petitioner or Respondent as the residential parent.

5. Visitation

It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that the Court order visitation as follows:

A. **Deny** **Restrict** visitation to Respondent OR Petitioner because: _____

B. Grant reasonable visitation to Respondent OR Petitioner.

6. Child Support

A. **Respondent** is: employed unemployed

B. **Respondent** is: able unable to contribute to the support of our minor child(ren)

C. **Petitioner** is: employed unemployed

D. **Petitioner** is: able unable to contribute to the support of our minor child(ren)

Therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: (to be completed by Judge)

A. Parentage

That a Parent/Child relationship exists and has been established between the Respondent and the minor child(ren) named in this Petition.

B. Custody

That **sole custody** of the minor child(ren) be awarded to Petitioner.

That **sole custody** of the minor child(ren) be awarded to Respondent.

That **joint legal custody** of the minor child(ren) be awarded, with Petitioner designated as the residential custodian.

That **joint legal custody** of the minor child(ren) be awarded, with Respondent designated as the residential custodian.

C. Visitation

That Respondent's OR Petitioner's visitation with the minor child(ren) be:

Barred Reserved

Restricted, as follows:

Allowed, upon the following terms:

Reasonable visitation to be determined by agreement of the parties.

Reasonable visitation, as follows:

D. Child Support

That the issue of child support be reserved.

That Respondent OR Petitioner pay child support as follows:

E. Other

Additional relief as follows:

DATED: _____, 20__

ENTER: _____
JUDGE