

**IN THE 18<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT,  
DISTRICT COURT SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS  
FAMILY LAW DEPARTMENT**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE PATERNITY OF**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**minor child(ren), by and through parent**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(Petitioner)**  
**and**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(Respondent)**

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

**Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 23**

**JOURNAL ENTRY & DECREE OF PATERNITY**

**NOW**, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, the above matter comes before the Court for final hearing. Petitioner appears in person, pro se. Respondent (  **does not appear OR**  **appears in person or through counsel**), and does not contest these proceedings. Both parties consent to the waiving of a record. There are no other appearances.

**WHEREUPON**, after reviewing matters of record, and considering all of the pleadings, and otherwise being duly advised, the Court finds, orders and decrees:

1. The Court has jurisdiction over this matter and the parties.
2. Kansas is the home state of the minor child(ren) and this court has jurisdiction to make a child custody determination herein.
3. A guardian ad litem is not required for the minor child(ren) since the interests of parties and the interests of the minor child(ren) are the same.
4. That the Respondent has received a copy of the Petition in this case by:

**(CHECK ONLY ONE)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ written entry of appearance and waiver of summons;  
\_\_\_\_\_ was served with summons by the \_\_\_\_\_ County Sheriff;  
\_\_\_\_\_ was served by special process server;  
\_\_\_\_\_ was served with summons by certified-mail return receipt requested; or  
\_\_\_\_\_ was served by publication.

5. Service of process upon Respondent has been duly accomplished, and is valid, binding and legal in all respects, and is hereby approved by the Court.

6. \_\_\_\_\_ is the natural and legal father of the child(ren) listed below. The initials and years of birth of the living child(ren) now under eighteen years of age are:

**Initials**

**YOB**

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**SEE ATTACHED LIST FOR ADDITIONAL CHILD(REN) IF NEEDED: \_\_\_Yes\_\_\_No**

**7. LEGAL CUSTODY OF THE CHILD(REN):**

Pursuant to the attached, parenting plan,

A.  The parties are granted joint legal custody of the minor child(ren) and shall consult with each other concerning decisions about the minor child(ren).

B.  Sole legal custody is granted to the  Petitioner  Respondent for the following reasons:

The other parent is unable or should not exercise any decision-making.

There is a danger to the child(ren).

The other party cannot be located.

There is such a high level of disagreement between the parents that one parent needs to be designated as the primary decision marker for the best interests of the child(ren) to be served.

**8. RESIDENCY OF THE CHILD(REN)**

This Court hereby adopts the Permanent Parenting Plan of the parties which is filed separately herein, which designates **(choose one)**

A.  Petitioner is awarded primary residency of the child(ren) with the Respondent to have parenting as set out in the permanent parenting plan of the parties.

B.  Respondent is awarded primary residency of the child(ren) with the Petitioner to have parenting as set out in the permanent parenting plan of the parties.

C.  The parties have shared residency, with each parent having equal or nearly equal time and blocks of parenting time as set out in the permanent parenting plan of the parties.

**9. CHILD SUPPORT (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)**

A.  Petitioner  Respondent is ordered to pay \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month commencing \_\_\_\_\_ (month/day/year) as and for support for the minor child(ren) of the parties. Said support shall be paid through the Kansas Payment Center at the address which is set out below.

Child Support Rights have been assigned to DCF

B.  Petitioner  Respondent is ordered shall obtain and maintain suitable health insurance coverage for the minor children consistent with K.S.A. § 23-3114 and provide the other parent with suitable documentation (such as the insurance ID card) that allows the children to obtain medical services. In the event of IVD orders, the parent obtaining insurance will provide DCF suitable documentation, including the policy and identification numbers, to verify compliance with this order.

The parties shall share all unreimbursed medical and dental expenses of the minor child(ren) based on the relative income percentage of the parties as stated on line D 2 of the attached Child Support Worksheet. This percentage payment is in addition to the child support obligation of both parties and these payments need not be made through the Kansas Payment Center. A Medical Withholding Order or National Medical Support Notice shall be issued pursuant to K.S.A. 23-3115 and/or 42 U.S.C. 666(a)(19) if necessary.

**10. CLAIMING CHILDREN FOR INCOME TAX PURPOSES**

The parties agree to the following arrangement regarding claiming the children for income tax purposes (CHECK ONLY ONE):

A.  The primary residential custodial parent is hereby allowed to claim the children for income tax purposes commencing in the current tax year and every year thereafter.

B.  The parties shall alternate claiming the child(ren) provided payor of child support obligation is current as of December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year that payor is to claim the children with the primary residential custodian taking the even years and the non-primary custodian taking odd numbered years. Parties shall complete IRS form 8332, available online.

C.  If parties have two minor children) Parties shall split claiming the children until first child reaches age 18; thereafter, they will alternate years with the primary residential custodial parent taking the first year. In order to utilize split claiming, payor of child support obligation must be current in that obligation as of December 31<sup>st</sup> of any year. Parties shall complete IRS form 8332, available online.

D.  The Court makes no order for claiming children for income tax purposes.

**11. ADDRESS FOR PAYMENTS AND ROLE OF COURT TRUSTEE**

The address for support obligation payments is as follows:  
Kansas Payment Center  
Box 758599  
Topeka, KS 66675-8599

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all child support payments shall be paid to the Kansas Payment Center, and a fee shall be deducted therefrom by the Kansas Payment Center to defray the expense of the operation of the Office of the District Court Trustee. The case number shown on the first page of this order shall be placed on all checks or money orders and said checks or money orders shall be made payable to the Kansas Payment Center and include the county designation (SG). The Kansas Payment Center shall forward said payments to (Name) \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ (city, state, zip) and it shall be the responsibility of the receiving party to inform the Clerk of any change in address.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an income withholding order shall be issued immediately as required by K.S.A. 23-4,105 *et seq.* for the child support herein. The Office of the District Court Trustee shall immediately prepare the income withholding order, notice and answer forms for filing and service to the obligor’s payer of income. Each party shall inform the Clerk of the District Court, in writing, of any change of name, residence and employer (with business address) within seven (7) days of a change.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, until the commencement of withholding by a payer/employer, the obligor shall pay all child support payments required by the support order. Payments shall be remitted by the obligor to the Kansas Payment Center on or before the due date specified in the order.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT**

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Petitioner Pro Se

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Respondent Pro Se

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