

State of Minnesota

District Court

County _____

Judicial District: _____
Court File Number: _____
Case Type: _____

In Re the Custody of:

Born (mo/day/yr) _____

Born (mo/day/yr) _____

Petitioner

and

Respondent

**Petition To Establish Custody
And Parenting Time**

[Minn. Stat. § 518.156]

Recognition of Parentage signed

[Minn. Stat. § 257.75, subd. 3]

1. I am the father / mother (*circle one*).

Full Name _____
First Middle Last

Street Address Apt. #

City State Zip Code

2. Respondent is the father / mother (*circle one*). The Respondent's name and address is:

Full name _____
First Middle Last

Street Address Apt. #

City State Zip Code

3. The name(s) and date(s) of birth of the minor child(ren) involved in this action are:

Child's Full Name

Date of Birth

First Middle Last

Month / Day / Year

First Middle Last

Month / Day / Year

4. The child(ren) currently live(s) with: Me Other parent (*print full name*):
_____. The address of the child(ren)
is/are: _____ in the City of _____,
County of _____, State of _____, zip code
_____. The child(ren) has / have lived at this address since
_____ (mo/day/yr).

If child(ren) has / have lived less than six months at the above listed address, list dates
and locations of where the child(ren) has / have been living for the last six months:

5. Petitioner and Respondent signed a Minnesota Recognition of Parentage for the minor
child(ren) listed above. The Recognition of Parentage has been filed with Vital Statistics and is a
basis for bringing an action to grant custody, parenting time, and/or child support pursuant to
Minn. Stat. § 257.75, subd. 3 (2007). (*check one*)

Petitioner has attached a certified copy of the Recognition of Parentage to this Petition.

Petitioner requested a certified copy from the Minnesota Department of Health, Bureau of
Vital Statistics and will file it with the court when Petitioner receives it.

6. A court appointed guardian or custodian has been appointed for the child(ren).

No

Yes – A guardian or custodian has been appointed for the child(ren) by court order in court

file no. _____ in the State of _____ and the
name of the guardian / custodian is _____

(Note: Minn. Stat. § 518.156, subd. 2 requires the Petitioner to give written notice of this
proceeding to the guardian / custodian.)

7. Petitioner's request for custody and parenting time:

a. Legal Custody: *Legal custody means having a right to participate in the major decisions
regarding the child's life, including education, religious upbringing and medical treatment.*

It is in the child's best interests that legal custody is granted as follows: (*check one*)

Joint legal custody to both parents

Sole legal custody to Mother Father

b. **Physical Custody:** *Physical custody identifies who will handle the routine daily care and control of the child, and who the child will live with.*

It is in the child's best interests that physical custody is granted as follows: *(check one)*

Joint physical custody to both parents

Sole physical custody to Mother Father

8. A juvenile court proceeding or child protection case involving the child(ren) in this case is

open: YES NO

If YES, this case is in _____ County in the State of _____,
and the court file number is _____. The child protection worker's name
is _____.

9. An *Order for Protection* involving me and the other parent _____
(print full name)

_____ and/or the child(ren) is open: YES NO.

If YES, this case is in _____ County in the State of _____,
and the court file number is _____.

A copy of the *Order for Protection* is attached.

10. Parenting Time:

It is in the child's best interests that parenting time be granted as follows:

grant parenting time to the Mother Father

grant supervised parenting time to the Mother Father

deny parenting time to the Mother Father

11. Child Support: *(check one box)*

There is no existing child support order and Petitioner is asking the court to establish child support in accordance with child support guidelines.

There is no existing child support order and child support is not being requested in this Petition.

There is an existing child support order for the child(ren) named in this action, located in the County of _____, State of _____, court file number _____.

The Petitioner requests that the Court grant the following relief:

1. I am asking the court to grant legal custody as follows: *(pick one box)*

joint legal custody to both parents

sole legal custody to the Mother Father

2. I am asking the court to grant physical custody as follows: *(pick one box)*

joint physical custody to both parents

sole physical custody to the Mother Father

3. I am asking the court to: *(pick one)*

grant parenting time

grant supervised parenting time to the Mother Father

deny parenting time to the Mother Father

4. *Optional – only check box if asking the court for child support.*

I am asking the court to establish child support according to the child support guidelines. Child support includes basic support, medical support, and child care support.

5. Granting such other and further relief as the court may deem just and equitable.

DATE: _____

Signature

Street Address

City/State/Zip Code

(_____) _____

Telephone Number