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**SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA  
PINAL COUNTY**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Petitioner

CASE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Respondent

**PARENTING PLAN FOR:**

- JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING WITH  
JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING  
AGREEMENT  
*or*  
 SOLE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING
- To Mother  
 To Father

**INSTRUCTIONS**

**This document has 4 parts:** PART 1) General Information PART 2) Legal Decision-Making and Parenting Time PART 3) Danger to Children Notification Statement, and PART 4) Joint Legal Decision-Making Agreement. Where this form refers to “children” it refers to any and all minor children common to the parties whether one or more.

**One or both parents must complete and sign the Plan as follows:**

- a. If only *one* parent is submitting the Plan; that parent must sign at the end of PART 2 and 3.
- b. If both parents agree to Legal Decision-Making and parenting time arrangements *but not to joint Legal Decision-Making*: Both parents must sign the Plan at the end of PART 2 and 3.
- c. If both parents agree to joint Legal Decision-Making and parenting time arrangements as presented in the Plan: Both parents must sign the Plan at the end of PART 2, 3, and 4.

**PART 1: GENERAL INFORMATION:**

**A. MINOR CHILDREN.** This Plan concerns the following children: (Use additional paper if necessary).

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**B. THE FOLLOWING LEGAL DECISION-MAKING ARRANGEMENT IS REQUESTED:**

(Choose ONE of 1, 2, 3 4.) (If you chose "sole Legal Decision-Making" [1 or 2], you have the option of also requesting restrictions on parenting time of the other party.)

**1. SOLE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING BY AGREEMENT.** The parents agree that Sole Legal Decision-Making and primary physical Legal Decision-Making should be granted to  Mother  Father.

The parents agree that since each has a unique contribution to offer to the growth and development of their minor children, each of them will continue to have a full and active role in providing a sound moral, social, economic, and educational environment for the benefit of the minor children, as described in the following pages,

**OR**

**2. SOLE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING REQUESTED BY THE PARENT SUBMITTING THIS PLAN.**

The parents cannot agree to the terms of Legal Decision-Making and parenting time. The parent submitting this Plan asks the court to order sole Legal Decision-Making and parenting time according to this Plan.

(Optional, if you marked 1 or 2 above)

**RESTRICTED, SUPERVISED, OR NO PARENTING TIME.**

The parent submitting this Plan asks the court for an order restricting parenting time.

The facts and information related to this request are described in the Petition.

**OR**

**3. JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING BY AGREEMENT.** The parents agree to joint Legal Decision-Making and request the court to approve the joint Legal Decision-Making arrangement as described in this Plan. Primary physical Legal Decision-Making will be with  Mother  Father,

**OR**

**4. JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING REQUESTED BY THE PARENT SUBMITTING THIS PLAN.**

The parents cannot agree to the terms of Legal Decision-Making and parenting time or are unable to submit this plan together at this time. My request for Joint Legal Decision-Making is deferred for the court's determination.

**PART 2: LEGAL DECISION-MAKING AND PARENTING TIME. Complete each section below.**

**Be specific about what you want the judge to approve in the court order.**

**A. (School Year) WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND TIME-SHARING SCHEDULE:**

The children will be in the care of the Father as follows: (Explain)

\_\_\_\_\_

The children will be in the care of the Mother as follows: (Explain)

\_\_\_\_\_

Other Legal Decision-Making arrangements are as follows: (Explain)

\_\_\_\_\_

Transportation will be provided as follows:

Mother or  Father will pick up the children up at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock.

Mother or  Father will pick up the children up at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock.

Transportation exchanges shall occur:

curbside  at school **OR**  neutral location \_\_\_\_\_.

Parents may change their time-share arrangements by mutual agreement with at least \_\_\_\_\_ days notice in advance to the other parent.

**B. SUMMER MONTHS OR SCHOOL BREAK LONGER THAN 4 DAYS:** The weekday and weekend schedule described above will apply for all 12 calendar months **EXCEPT:**

During summer months or school breaks that last longer than 4 days, no changes shall be made.

**OR,**

During summer months or school breaks that last longer than 4 days, the minor children will be in the care of Father: (Explain).

\_\_\_\_\_  
During summer months or school breaks that last longer than 4 days, the minor children will be in the care of Mother: (Explain).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Each parent is entitled to a \_\_\_\_\_ week period of vacation time with the minor children. The parents will work out the details of the vacation at least \_\_\_\_\_ days in advance.

**C. TRAVEL:**

**Should either parent travel out of the area with the minor children, each parent will keep the other parent informed of travel plans, address(es), and telephone number(s) at which that parent and the minor children can be reached.**

**Neither parent shall travel with the minor children outside Arizona for longer than \_\_\_\_\_ days without the prior written consent of the other parent or order of the court.**

**D. HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:** The holiday schedule takes priority over the regular time-sharing schedule as described above. Check the box(es) that apply and indicate the years of the holiday access / Parenting time schedule.

<u>Holidays</u>	<u>Even Years</u>		<u>Odd Years</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> New Year's Eve	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> New Year's Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Spring Vacation	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Easter	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> 4 <sup>th</sup> of July	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Halloween	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Thanksgiving	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Hanukkah	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Christmas Eve	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Christmas Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Winter Break	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Child's Birthday	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father

**Mother's Day** will be celebrated with the Mother every year.

**Father's Day** will be celebrated with the Father every year.

**Each parent may have the children on his or her birthday.**

**Three-day weekends** which include Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, the children will remain in the care of the parent who has the minor children for the weekend.

**Other Holidays** (Describe the other holidays and the arrangement.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Telephone Contact:** Each parent may have telephone contact with the minor children during the child(ren)'s normal waking hours, **OR:** (Explain)

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**Other (Explain):**

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**E. PARENTAL ACCESS TO RECORDS AND INFORMATION:** Under Arizona law (A.R.S. §25-403), unless otherwise provided by court order or law, on reasonable request, both parents are entitled to have equal access to documents and other information concerning the minor children's education and physical, mental, moral and emotional health including medical, school, police, court and other records. A person who does not comply with a reasonable request for these records shall reimburse the requesting parent for court costs and attorney fees incurred by that parent to make the other parent obey this request. A parent who attempts to restrict the release of documents or information by the custodian of the records without prior court order is subject to legal sanctions.

**F. EDUCATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

Both parents have the right to participate in school conferences, events and activities, and the right to consult with teachers and other school personnel.

Both parents will make major educational decisions together. (Optional)  If the parents do not reach agreement, then: \_\_\_\_\_

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**OR**

Major educational decisions will be made by  Mother  Father after consultation other parent.

**G. MEDICAL AND DENTAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

Both parents have the right to authorize emergency medical treatment, if needed, and the right to consult with physicians and other medical practitioners. Both parents agree to advise the other parent immediately of any emergency medical/dental care sought for the minor children, to cooperate on health matters concerning the children and to keep one another reasonably informed. Both parents agree to keep each other informed as to names, addresses and telephone numbers of all medical/dental care providers.

Both parents will make major medical decisions together, except for emergency situations as noted above. (optional)  If the parents do not reach an agreement, then: \_\_\_\_\_

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**OR**

Major medical/dental decisions will be made by  Mother  Father after consultation other parent.

**H. RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ARRANGEMENTS: (Choose ONE)**

Each parent may take the minor children to a church or place of worship of his or her choice during the time that the minor children is/are in his or her care.

Both parents agree that the minor children may be instructed in the \_\_\_\_\_ faith.

Both parents agree that religious arrangements are not applicable to this plan.

**I. ADDITIONAL ARRANGMENTS AND COMMENTS:**

**NOTIFY OTHER PARENT OF ADDRESS CHANGE.** Each parent will inform the other parent of any change of address and/or phone number in advance **OR** within \_\_\_\_\_ days of the change.

**NOTIFY OTHER PARENT OF EMERGENCY.** Both parents agree that each parent will promptly inform the other parent of any emergency or other important event that involves the minor children.

**TALK TO THE OTHER PARENT ABOUT EXTRA ACTIVITIES.** Each parent will consult and agree with the other parent regarding any extra activity that affects the minor children's access to the other parent.

**ASK OTHER PARENT IF HE/SHE WANTS TO TAKE CARE OF THE CHILDREN.** Each parent agrees to consider the other parent as care-provider for the minor children before making other arrangements.

**OBTAIN WRITTEN CONSENT OR COURT ORDER BEFORE MOVING.** The notice required by this section shall be made by certified mail, return receipt requested, or pursuant to the Arizona rules of family law procedure. The court shall sanction a parent who, without good cause, does not comply with the notification requirements of this subsection. The court may impose a sanction that will affect legal decision-making or parenting time only in accordance with the child's best interests. **A.R.S. 25-408 (B)**

**COMMUNICATE.** Each parent agrees that all communication regarding the minor children will be between the parents and that they will **not** use the minor children to convey information or to set up parenting time changes.

**PRAISE OTHER PARENT.** Each parent agrees to encourage love and respect between the minor children and the other parent and neither parent shall do anything that may hurt the other parent's relationship with the minor children.

**COOPERATE AND WORK TOGETHER.** Both parents agree to exert their best efforts to work cooperatively in future plans consistent with the best interests of the minor children and to amicably resolve such disputes as may arise.

**NOTIFY OTHER PARENTS OF PROBLEMS WITH TIME-SHARING AHEAD OF TIME.** If either parent is unable to follow through with the time-sharing arrangements involving the minor child(ren), that parent will notify the other parent as soon as possible.

**PARENTING PLAN.** Both parents agree that if either parent moves out of the area and returns later, they will use the most recent "**Parenting Plan/Access Agreement**" in place before the move.

**MEDIATION.** If the parents are unable to reach a mutual agreement regarding a legal change to their parenting orders, they may request mediation through the court or a private mediator of their choice.

**NOTICE: DO NOT DEVIATE FROM PLAN UNTIL DISPUTE IS RESOLVED.**

Both parents are advised that while a dispute is being resolved, neither parent shall deviate from this Parenting Plan. Or act in such a way that is inconsistent with the terms of this agreement.

Once this Plan has been made an order of the Court, if either parent disobeys the court order related to parenting time with the children, the other parent may submit court papers to request enforcement.

**J. PART 2 SIGNATURE OF ONE OR BOTH PARENTS** (as instructed on page 1)

Signature of Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 3: STATEMENT REGARDING CONTACT WITH SEX OFFENDERS AND PERSONS CONVICTED OF DANGEROUS CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN.**

**According to A.R.S. §25-403.05, a child’s parent or custodian must immediately notify the other parent or custodian if the person knows that a convicted or registered sex offender or someone who has been convicted of a dangerous against children may have access to the child.**

According to A.R.S. §13-705 (P) (1), “Dangerous crime against children” means any of the following that is committed against a minor who is under fifteen years of age:

- (a) Second degree murder.
- (b) Aggravated assault resulting in serious physical injury or involving the discharge, use or threatening exhibit on of a deadly weapon or dangerous instrument.
- (c) Sexual assault.
- (d) Molestation of a child.
- (e) Sexual conduct with a minor.
- (f) Commercial sexual exploitation of a minor.
- (g) Sexual exploitation of a minor.
- (h) Child abuse as prescribed in section 13-3623, subsection A, paragraph 1.
- (i) Kidnapping.
- (j) Sexual abuse.
- (k) Taking a child for the purpose of prostitution as prescribed in section 13-3206.
- (l) Child prostitution as prescribed in section 13-3212.
- (m) Involving or using minors in drug offenses.
- (n) Continuous sexual abuse of a child.
- (o) Attempted first degree murder.
- (p) Sex trafficking.
- (q) Manufacturing methamphetamine under circumstances that causes physical injury to a minor.
- (r) Bestiality as prescribed in section 13-1411, subsection A, paragraph 2.
- (s) Luring a minor for sexual exploitation.
- (t) Aggravated luring a minor for sexual exploitation.
- (u) Unlawful age misrepresentation.

**The parent or custodian must provide notice by first class mail, return receipt requested, by electronic means to an electronic mail address that the recipient provided to the parent or custodian for notification purposes or by another form of communication accepted by the court.**

**PART 3 SIGNATURE OF ONE OR BOTH PARENTS** (as instructed on page 1)

**I/We have read, understand, and agree to abide by the requirements of A.R.S. §25-403.05(B) concerning notification of other parent or custodian if someone convicted of dangerous crime against children may have access to the child.**

**Signature of Mother:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Father:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 4: JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING AGREEMENT (IF APPLICABLE):**

**A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:** Arizona Law (A.R.S. §25-403.03) states that joint Legal Decision-Making shall NOT be awarded if there has been “a history of significant domestic violence”.

Domestic Violence has **not** occurred between the parties,

**OR**

Domestic Violence **has** occurred but it has not been “significant” or has been committed by both parties.\*

**B. DUI or DRUG CONVICTIONS:**

Neither party has been convicted of driving under the influence or a drug offense within the past 12 months,

**OR**

One of the parties HAS been convicted of driving under the influence or a drug offense within the past 12 months but the parties feel Joint Legal Decision-Making is in the best interest of the children.\*

• **IF THERE HAS BEEN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR A DUI OR DRUG CONVICTION:**

**Attach an extra page explaining why Joint Legal Decision-Making is still in the best interest of the children.**

**C. JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING AGREEMENT: If the parents have agreed to joint Legal Decision-Making, the following will apply, subject to approval by the Judge:**

1. **REVIEW:** The parents agree to review the terms of the / this agreement and make any necessary or desired changes every \_\_\_\_\_ months from the date of this document.

2. **CRITERIA.** Our joint Legal Decision-Making agreement meets the criteria required by Arizona law A.R.S. §25-403.02, as listed below:

a. The best interest of the minor children are served;

b. Each parent's rights and responsibilities for personal care of the minor children and for decisions in education, health care and religious training are designated in this Plan;

c. A schedule of the physical residence of the minor children,, including holidays and school vacations is included in the Plan;

d. The Plan includes a procedure for periodic review;

e. The Plan includes a procedure by which proposed changes, disputes and alleged breaches may be mediated or resolved;

f. A procedure for communicating with each other about the child, including methods and frequency.

**PART 4 SIGNATURE OF BOTH PARENTS REQUESTING JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING** (as instructed on page 1)

**Signature of Mother:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Father:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_