

LYCOMING COUNTY CONTEMPT OF CUSTODY ORDER SELF-HELP KIT Forms

REMEMBER

The law often changes. Each case is different. This self-help kit is meant to give you general information and not give you specific legal advice.

CONTEMPT OF CUSTODY ORDER

Sometimes problems arise when you have a Custody Order. The other party may be violating the Order and you want to have that addressed.

Contempt is a very serious matter. However, it is usually best for everyone if the parties resolve the problem without going to court. You may be able to fix it by talking to the other party.

THE LYCOMING COUNTY COURT REQUIRES THAT YOU TRY TO RESOLVE CONTEMPT MATTERS BEFORE GOING TO COURT. You must do this unless you would be harmed by trying to resolve the matter first. You must do this *in writing (email or text is O.K.)*.

When the other party has an attorney, you must contact the attorney. When the other party does not have an attorney, you must notify the other party directly.

The notice must state how the other party is violating the order and must warn them that you will file for contempt if the problem is not fixed. This packet contains a letter you can use.

After you notify the other party or their attorney, you must give him/her time to correct the problem before you file a petition for contempt. You cannot send the letter to the other party and then file for contempt before the other party has a chance to fix the problem.

If the other party does not correct the problem and/or assure you they will follow the Order in the future, and/or give you additional time to make up for any lost custody time, then you may file a Contempt Petition to get the matter before the court.

The court will reject your Petition if you do not follow these steps. If you do have a hearing on the contempt, be ready to tell the Judge exactly what you did to try to solve the problem on your own.



THE CONTEMPT OF CUSTODY PROCESS

There are seven steps in the contempt of custody process. This packet provides the forms you need and guides you through these steps.

Step One: Read the instructions in this packet.

Step Two: Try to resolve the issue out of court in writing. If that does not

work, go on to the next steps.

Step Three: Fill out the forms in this packet, and make copies.

Step Four: File the forms and copies at the Prothonotary's Office.

Step Five: Wait for the copies to be mailed to you with a date for

the contempt hearing.

Step Six: Serve the papers on the other party.

Step Seven: Attend the hearing and make your case.

CONTEMPT OF CUSTODY ORDER

PART ONE: INSTRUCTIONS

1. FIRST FORM - MOTION COVER SHEET

Complete the caption (heading) by using THE SAME CAPTION AS IN YOUR CUSTODY ORDER. Your caption will never change. The same person who is listed as the Plaintiff in your Custody Order must be the Plaintiff in this action. The same person listed as Defendant in your Custody Order must be the Defendant in this action. You should also use the same case number that appears on your Custody Order

Write your name on line 1, and "Petition for Contempt" on line 3. In box 4, put a check in front of "Evidentiary Hearing." In box 6, write your name and address. Leave the rest of the form blank.

2. SECOND FORM – ORDER AND NOTICE

Complete the caption as on your custody order. Leave the rest of the form blank.

3. THIRD FORM – ENTRY OF APPEARANCE AS SELF-REPRESENTED PARTY

Complete the caption as on your custody order. Fill out the blanks in the form, and write the information requested. Skip paragraph 4 if you never had an attorney.

4. <u>FOURTH FORM – PETITION FOR CIVIL CONTEMPT FOR DISOBEDIENCE OF A CUSTODY OR VISITATION ORDER</u>

Complete the caption as on your custody order.

For paragraph 1, you are the Petitioner because you are filing this petition. Check whether you are the plaintiff or defendant in the caption. Fill out your name, address, and phone number.

For paragraph 2, the other party is the Respondent. Check whether the other party is the plaintiff or defendant in the caption. Fill out the other party's name, address, and phone number.

For paragraph 3, write the date of the custody order and the name of the judge who entered the order. Then check the type of custody you were granted in the order. Then write the initials and ages of the children addressed in the custody order. Do not write their names or birthdates, as that is confidential information not available to the public.

For paragraph 4, write how the other party has violated the order.

For paragraph 5, check the appropriate statement. If you tried to resolve the matter, check the first statement. If you did not try to resolve the matter because doing so would harm or prejudice you, check that statement.

At the end of the form, fill in the date and your signature.

5. FIFTH FORM – CERTIFICATION OF ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE CONTEMPT

This is where you tell the court what you have done to try to resolve the matter outside of court.

If you contacted the other party or the other party's attorney, check the line after (a). Check whether or not the party is represented, and who you wrote to about the contempt. Check the box that describes the response, and fill in the lines with the information requested.

If you did not contact the other party or the other party's attorney, check the line after (b), and explain why.

Read the paragraph starting, "I verify." Write the date and sign your name

The third page of this form (labeled Exhibit B p. 3) is a letter you can use to send to the other party. If you choose to use it, fill out all the information requested, and make a copy of the letter before you send it to the other party. Include the copy of the letter with your petition for contempt. Send the letter certified mail (see directions later).

6. SIXTH FORM – COMPLETED CRIMINAL/ABUSE HISTORY VERIFICATION

Complete the caption as on previous forms. Write your name on the first line of the first paragraph. Check any boxes that are appropriate and fill out the required information. Sign, print, and date the final page.

7. <u>SEVENTH FORM – BLANK CRIMINAL/ABUSE HISTORY VERIFICATION</u>

Complete the caption as on previous forms. Leave the rest of the form blank. This is for the other party to fill out and file after you serve it on them.

8. EIGHTH DOCUMENT – A COPY OF YOUR CURRENT ORDER

You MUST include a copy of the order that is being violated. You may get a copy at the Prothonotary's Office if you do not have one. You will be charged \$.50 per page.

9. NINTH FORM – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FORM

This form is three pages long. This is the ONLY PLACE you list the names and birthdates of the children. This form will not be seen by the public.

Fill out the caption like you have done in the other documents. On the line that says "Court," write "Lycoming County." On the third line, write "Contempt of Custody," where it asks for the title of the pleading, and write the date you are filing the petition.

For the rest of the first page, you only need to fill out the first column. You do not need to write anything for "full name of adult." Just list each child's initials, name, and date of birth separately, with the dotted line dividing each child's information. If there are more than two children, use the additional page.

After you have listed each child, sign the form that states, "I certify that this filing complies . . ." Write the date and print the additional information requested under your signature. This means that you promise you have not put the children's names or birthdates on the forms available to the public.

10. AND 11. TENTH AND ELEVENTH FORMS – FORMS TO WAIVE THE FILING FEE

In order to file a contempt petition, there is a fee that must be paid to the Prothonotary. This fee changes from time to time. As of January 1, 2018, it is \$25.75.

If you don't think you can pay the filing fee, you may ask the Court to waive the cost. You will need to fill out and file two forms, in addition to the documents above. If you can afford to pay the filing fee, you will have to do so. The Court waives this cost only in cases where income is extremely low.

TENTH FORM – ORDER TO PROCEED WITHOUT PAYMENT OF FEES AND COSTS

Fill in the caption as on the other documents. There is nothing more for you to fill out on this document. If the Court grants the Petition, your contempt action can proceed. If not, you will be notified and you will have to pay the costs in order to continue.

ELEVENTH FORM – PETITION TO PROCEED WITHOUT PAYMENT OF FEES AND COSTS

Fill out the caption as on the other documents. The rest of the form is quite clear. You are asked to fill in facts about your personal finances. Be sure to include income from all sources, including government benefits like Public Assistance, unemployment compensation, and food stamps. Don't forget money your spouse receives, if you are married; from your parents if they help you; from friends or other family members; or from an Order for child support. Finally, identify all persons who depend on your income for support, including children who live with you. Do not list the children's names—only their initials and ages.

Sections 4 and 5 of this Petition are important. Be sure that you read these paragraphs. They require you to inform the Court of any improvement in your financial situation which might permit you to pay some or all of the costs at a later date. When you date and sign the Petition after paragraph 5, you are promising that the information you have filled in is true. There will be consequences if you make false statements.

COPIES

After you have completed forms one through nine, clip them together in order, with the Motion Cover Sheet on the front. You will then need to get copies made. You need a copy for yourself, one for the other party, and one for each additional party, if there are any. The original will stay at court, in the Prothonotary's office. Remember, you need a copy of your current custody order to attach. If you do not have a copy, you can get one from the Prothonotary's Office.

If you are filing a request to proceed without paying costs, you will need to make one copy of those documents, too (forms nine and ten).

You are now ready to file all of the papers with the Prothonotary.



HOW TO FILE THE PETITION FOR CONTEMPT

Take all of your completed forms (including the copies) to the Prothonotary's Office on the first floor of the Lycoming County Courthouse at 48 West Third Street, Williamsport, on any weekday (Monday through Friday) between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Separate the papers into the three groups shown below, and put them in the order shown below. You MUST have the groups of documents listed under First Group and Second Group. If you are asking the Court to waive the filing fee, you should also have the documents listed under Third Group.

1. FIRST GROUP: (1) <u>Motion Cover Sheet, (2) Order and Notice, (3) Entry of Appearance as Self-Represented Party, (4) Petition for Contempt, (5) Certification of Attempt to Resolve Conflict, (6) A Copy of Your Custody Order, (7) Completed Criminal/Abuse History Verification, and (8) Blank Criminal/Abuse History Verification</u>

You will need an original and at least two copies of all these forms.

2. SECOND GROUP: Confidential Information Form (2 pages if there are less than three children, 3 pages if there are three children or more).

You will need an original and at least two copies of all these forms.

3. THIRD GROUP: If you are asking to have the filing fee waived, you will need: (1) Order to Proceed Without Payment of Fees and Costs, and (2) Petition to Proceed without Payment of Fees and Costs.

You will need an original and one copy of each of these documents.



The Prothonotary will file stamp all the documents and will keep all the forms, including the copies. The case will be given a date for a hearing in front of a Judge, and then the copies will be mailed back to you.

The original documents that you filled out become part of the permanent court record and remain in the Prothonotary's Office. Of the copies that are mailed back to you, keep one copy of each document for yourself.

You must then promptly serve one copy of the First Group (see above) and one copy of the Second Group (see above) of documents on the other party and any other parties. Go to the next set of instructions to find out how to serve the other party.

HOW TO SERVE THE OTHER PARTY

It is not enough to simply talk to the other party about the contempt action or the hearing date. You must give the other party legal notice that you have filed for contempt. This kind of notice is called "service."

Service of the papers is **YOUR** responsibility. IT IS IMPORTANT TO SERVE THE OTHER PARTY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. If you do not serve the other party in time for them to have reasonable notice and an opportunity to prepare for the hearing, the Court may reschedule the hearing for a later date.

If you have the funds to do so, you can pay the Sheriff, Constable, or process server to serve the papers for you and to file an <u>Affidavit of Service</u> for you. Otherwise, you will need to serve by one of the following two methods. You will then need to fill out an Affidavit of Service, and file the Affidavit of Service at the Prothonotary's Office.

CERTIFIED MAIL AND REGULAR MAIL:

To serve by this method, you must send all of the documents stated above by **certified mail, with return receipt requested and restricted delivery AND regular mail** to the other party's address. "Restricted delivery" means that the return receipt must be signed by the other party only.

When you go to the post office, someone at the window can give you the forms to send the certified mail. The cost MUST be paid at that time. When you send the certified mail, you will be given a "sender's receipt" (a little white receipt). Keep this receipt to include with your proof of service. Also send the other party a copy of the papers by regular mail.

You should mail the documents to the other party as soon as possible after you receive them in the mail from the Prothonotary's Office. The other party should receive them at least ten (10) days before the hearing date.

Once the other party has signed the green receipt, indicating that he or she has received the documents, service is complete. You will have proof that service is complete when you receive the green receipt with the other party's signature on it. When you receive that green receipt, you must save it. It is to be included with your original receipt and attached to the <u>Affidavit of Service</u>.

If the certified mail is REFUSED by the other party, you will get a notice from the Post Office saying it was refused. If the regular mail is not returned within fifteen (15) days, service may be considered complete. If mail is returned UNCLAIMED, service will need to be made another way.

PERSONAL SERVICE:

You can have a person who is 18 years of age or older, who is not a party to the action or an employee or relative of a party to the action, serve the papers. Therefore, if you are the person filing the petition, you should not serve the papers yourself, and you should not have anyone who is related to you or who works for you, serve the papers.

The person who serves the legal papers on the opposing party must do it in the manner required by law. The person can serve the papers:

- (a) by handing a copy to the other party; or
- (b) by handing a copy to an adult member of the family with whom the other party resides; or
- (c) by handing a copy of the papers to an adult person in charge of the residence at the time (example: babysitter, etc.); or
- (d) by going to the opposing party's usual place of business and handing a copy to the opposing party's agent (one that acts for or representative of) or to the person in charge.

12 and 13: AFFIDAVITS OF SERVICE: Choose ONE of the two Affidavit of Service forms that follow these instructions. There is one for service by certified mail and regular mail, and one for personal service. You have to fill out and file one of these forms with the Prothonotary after you serve the other party, unless you pay a Sheriff or Constable to do it for you. If you are serving more than one person, you have to complete and file a separate Affidavit for each one.

The <u>Affidavit of Service</u> should be completed and filed with the Prothonotary as soon as service is completed. Make a copy for yourself, and bring it to the hearing.

TWELFTH FORM – AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL AND REGULAR MAIL

□ Fill in the caption.
□ Fill in the blanks.
□ Staple your sender's receipt (the white receipt) and the green card you got back in the mail to the Affidavit.
□ Sign and date at the bottom and make one copy of everything.
☐ File at the Prothonotary's Office before the conference and keep a time-stamped copy for your records.
THIRTEENTH FORM – AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY PERSONAL SERVICE:
This form is completed by someone else who serves the papers for you, and then you file it with
the Prothonotary before the conference.
□ Fill in the caption.
□ Fill in the blank spaces.
□ Check the paragraph that best describes how the papers were served.

☐ Have the person who served the papers sign, date, and write his/her address and telephone

☐ Make one copy and file at the Prothonotary's Office before the conference. Keep a time-

number at the bottom.

stamped copy for your records.

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Protecting Confidential Information - Here's How

A certification shall accompany each filing in accordance with the policy. A court or custodian is not required to review any filed document for compliance with this policy. Failure to comply may lead to imposed sanctions.

Confidential Information

Unless required by applicable authority, the following information shall not be included in any document filed with a court or custodian, except on a "Confidential Information Form" filed contemporaneously with the document.

- 1. Social Security Numbers
- 2. Financial Account Numbers Except an active financial account number may be identified by the last four digits when the financial account is the subject of the case and cannot otherwise be identified
- 3. Driver License Numbers
- 4. State identification (SID) Numbers
- 5. Minors' Names and Dates of Birth except when a minor is charged as defendant in a criminal matter (see 42 Pa.C.S. §6355)
- 6. Abuse Victim's Address and other Contact Information including employer's name, address, and work schedule, in family court actions as defined by Pa.R.C.P. No. 1931(a), except for victim's name

Confidential Documents

Unless required by applicable authority, the following documents shall be filed with a court or custodian with the "Confidential Document Form."

- 1. Financial Source Documents
- 2. Minors' Educational Records
- 3. Medical/Psychological Records
- 4. Children and Youth Services' Records
- 5. Marital Property Inventory and Pre-Trial Statement as provided in Pa.R.C.P. No. 1920.33
- 6. Income and Expense Statement as provided in Pa.R.C.P. No. 1910.27(c)
- 7. Agreements between the Parties as used in 23 Pa.C.S. §3105

These requirements do not apply to case types (e.g. juvenile, adoption) that are sealed or exempted from public access pursuant to applicable authority.

For forms and more information, reference the *Case Records Public Access Policy Of The Unified Judicial System Of Pennsylvania* at the website below.



Please visit: http://www.pacourts.us/public-records/public-records-policies

CONTEMPT OF CUSTODY ORDER

PART TWO: FORMS

LYCOMING COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS MOTION COVER SHEET

Defendant Name of Filing Party:	: Case Assigned to Judge : □ None : □ Family Court Hearing Officer :
Filing Party's Attorney: Type of Filing:	
4. The following is/are requested: ArgumentEvidentiary HearingCourt ConferenceRule to Show CauseEntry of Uncontested Order(attach supporting documentation)Expedited Consideration. State the basis: Video conferencing requested. Request form has been submitted. See Lyc. Co. R.G.C.B. L8Attach this cover sheet to original motion previously filed on:	Name and addresses of all counsel of record and unrepresented parties:
5. Time Required:	Continued on a Separate Sheet.
	<u>ORDER</u>
at o'clock M., in courtroom No	ORDER rt conference is scheduled for
	rt conference is scheduled for, Lycoming County Courthouse, Williamsport, PA.
at o'clock M., in courtroom No 2 Briefs are to be filed by the following dates: Filing Party Responding party (ies)	rt conference is scheduled for, Lycoming County Courthouse, Williamsport, PA.
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at o'clock M., in courtroom No 2 Briefs are to be filed by the following dates: Filing Party Responding party (ies) 3 A rule is issued upon Respondent to show cause 4 A response to the Motion/Petition shall be filed	

NOTICE: The parties are directed to confer for the purpose of resolving any issue raised in the motion/petition. If a resolution is reached prior to the scheduled date, the moving party shall immediately notify the court scheduling technician, the judge or hearing officer assigned to hear the matter, and all counsel of record or parties if unrepresented. Such notice may be in writing or by email.

Plaintiff,	: :	IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
vs.	: : :	NO. CIVIL ACTION - LAW
, Defendant	:	CUSTODY/VISITATION
<u>NOT</u>	TICE AND ORI	DER TO APPEAR
Legal proceedings have been brought again	st you alleging	that you have willfully disobeyed an Order of Court for custody.
If you wish to defend against the claim set f the Court your defenses or objections.	forth in the follo	owing pages, you may but are not required to file in writing with
	20 , at	nses or objections, you must appear in person in court on the o'clockM., in Courtroom No, Lycoming ylvania.
IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR IN PERSON, THE C	COURT MAY I	ISSUE A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.
If the Court finds that you have willfully fai committed to jail, fined, or both.	iled to comply v	with its Order, you may be found to be in contempt of court and
TELEPHONE ONE OF THE OFFICES SET FO INFORMATION ABOUT HIRING A LAWYER	ORTH BELOW A. IF YOU CAN FORMATION A	ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER, GO TO OR THESE OFFICES CAN PROVIDE YOU WITH NOT AFFORD TO HIRE A LAWYER, THESE OFFICES ABOUT AGENCIES THAT MAY OFER LEGAL SERVICES .
If you do not have a lawyer contact:		If you cannot afford a lawyer, you may be eligible for legal aid through:
Pennsylvania Bar Association		
Lawyer Referral Service		North Penn Legal Services
100 South Street, P.O. Box 186 Harrisburg, PA 17108-0186		25 West Third Street, Suite 400 Williamsport, PA 17701
(800) 692-7375		(570) 323-8741
	BY THE COU	JRT,
Date:		
		J.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990

The Court of Common Pleas of Lycoming County is required by law to comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990. For information about accessible facilities and reasonable accommodations available to disabled individuals having business before the court, please contact the Court Administrator's office, telephone number (570)327-2330. All arrangements must be made at least 72 hours prior to any hearing or business before the court.

	Plaintiff,	: IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF : LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
VS	3.	: : NO. : CIVIL ACTION - LAW
	Defendant	: CUSTODY
<u>E</u>		ARANCE OF SELF-REPRESENTED PARTY Pursuant to Pa.R.C.P. No. 1930.8
1. My name is _		
2. I am the	Plaintiff Defendant	
3. I represent my	yself in this action.	
		OF COUNSEL OF RECORD (IF APPLICABLE) F YOU HAVE AN ATTORNEY OF RECORD]
R	emove	, Esquire as my attorney of record.
_		e for the filing party, Esquire (Print attorney name) ID# Attorney Signature Date:
	hat I am under a continented parties, and to att	nuing obligation to provide current contact information to the court, to corneys of record.
•	s and legal papers can dress pursuant to Rul	be served on me at the address listed below, which may or may no e 1930.8.
Print Name:		Date:
Signature:		Telephone Number:
Address:		
Email:		
		Y OF APPEARANCE MUST PROVIDE NOTICE BY SENDING A FORNEYS, INCLUDING THE ATTORNEY REMOVED FROM

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THE CASE.

Plaintiff,	: IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF : LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
vs.	: : NO. : CIVIL ACTION - LAW
Defendant ,	: CUSTODY/VISITATION
	IVIL CONTEMPT FOR DISOBEDIENCE OF A TODY OR VISITATION ORDER
Petitioner respectfully represents:	
1. The Petitioner is the <u>Plaintiff</u>	/Defendant, whose name, address, and phone number is
(your name, address, and phone number)	
	iff/Defendant, whose name, address, and phone number ele one)
3. On, J	Judge, entered an Order awarding
Petitioner (shared legal custody) (sole leg	
	ical custody) (sole physical custody) (supervised
visitation) of the minor child(ren): IDE	
ONLY—DO NOT WRITE THE NAM	
INITIALS	OF CHILD CHILD'S AGE
A copy of	the Order is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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5. Pursuant	to Local Rule L1915.12: (check one)
	Petitioner has attempted to resolve this matter without resort to the Court.
	Petitioner has special circumstances which would cause harm or prejudice to Petitioner attempted to resolve the matter without going to Court.
These eff	orts and/or circumstances are described in a Certification attached as
"Exhibit l	3."
6. I have atta	ached the Criminal Record/Abuse History Verification form required pursuant to Pa.
No. 1915	302.
WHEREFOR	E, Petitioner requests that Respondent be held in contempt of court.
I verify that t	he statements made in this Petition for Contempt are true and correct. I
understand th	at false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. §4904 relating
to unsworn fa	alsification to authorities.

a)						
	(circle one) I wrote the <u>attorney/opposing party</u> about the conduct which I believe to be (circle one)					
	Contempt of the Order. I warned the <u>attorney/opposing party</u> in writing that a (circle one)					
	Contempt Petition would be filed unless steps were offered to correct the					
	contempt.					
	The checked paragraph indicates the result of my contact:					
	☐ The <u>opposing party/attorney</u> has refused to offer any corrective action.					
	☐ The <u>opposing party/attorney</u> offered the following corrective action:					
	(state the offer)					
	But the offer did not resolve the contempt because:					
	(state why this would not resolve the action)					

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	Due to special circumstances: (list special circumstances)				
	(list special circumstances)				
	An attempt to resolve the matter without filing a Petition for Contempt is likely to				
	agusa harm or praiudica to ma. The reason(s) this would gouse me serious harm				
	cause harm or prejudice to me. The reason(s) this would cause me serious harm				
	or prejudice is/are:				
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Date	Pro Se Petitioner				

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		D.	(your address)	
		Date:		
(address of the attorney for the opposing party.) (If the opposing party does not have an attorney, insert the opposing party's address.)				
	RE:	Filing	for Contempt of Court	
			Caption and No	
Dear:				
(attorney/opposing party)				
Place he advised that the Custody	Order in	the abo	ve matter has been violated and/or continue	es to be
violated by				5 to 0C
(opposing party) willfully disobeyed the Court Order as foll	ows:	(opposing		
You are warned and advised that fa in my filing a Petition for Contempt of Cou			ficient corrective steps in a timely manner ver notice to you.	will result
Please contact me upon receipt of the attention to this matter.	his letter	to advis	se me of your intentions. Thank you for you	ur
	Sincer	ely,		
	(your nar	me, address.	, and phone number)	
Sent by Certified Mail/Return Recei	int Reque	ested		

Plaint	iff ,	: IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF : LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA					
Defendant,		: No : CIVIL ACTION - LAW : CUSTODY					
							<u>P.</u>
I, Pa.C.S.§4904 rela	ting to unsworn falsific	, hereby swe cation to authorities that	ar or affirm, subject to penalties of law int:				
1. Partic cessary:	ipants: Please list ALL	members in your/the p	participant's household and attach sheets				
Name	Date of Birth	Address	Relationship to Child(ren)				
	§6112, or the Domesti 13, or the Child Custoo	c and Sexual Violence	vare protected by the Protection from Abovictim Address Confidentiality Act, 23 l 336(b), or they are in the process of seeking				
§§ 6701-67 protection v		oposing party's househ	old and attach sheets if necessary:				
§§ 6701-67 protection v		oposing party's househ Address	old and attach sheets if necessary: Relationship to Child(ren)				
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§§ 6701-67 protection v	ALL Members in the op						
§§ 6701-67 protection v Please list A Name	ALL Members in the operation of the oper	Address					

SUBJECT CHILD(REN) – attach additional sheets if necessary:

Name	Date of Birth

- 2. *Criminal Offenses:* As to the following listed Pennsylvania crimes or offenses, or another jurisdiction's substantially equivalent crimes or offenses, check the box next to any applicable crime or offense in which you or a household member:
 - has pleaded guilty or no contest;
 - has been convicted;
 - has charges pending; or
 - has been adjudicated delinquent under the Juvenile Act, 42 Pa.C.S. §§ 6301-6375, and the record is publicly available as set forth in 42 Pa.C.S. § 6307.

You should also check the box next to a listed criminal offense even if the offense has been resolved by Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (ARD) or another diversionary program, unless it has been expunged pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. § 9122, or court has entered an order for limited access, *e.g.*, Clean Slate, pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. §§ 9122.1 or 9122.2:

Check all that apply	Crime	Self	Other household member	Date of conviction, guilty plea, no contact plea, or pending charges	Sentence
	18 Pa.C.S. Ch. 25 (relating to criminal homicide)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §2701 (relating to simple assault)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §2702 (relating to aggravated assault)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §2705 (relating to recklessly endangering another person)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §2706 (relating to terroristic threats)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §2709.1 (relating to stalking)				

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	18 Pa.C.S. §2718 (relating to strangulation)				
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	18 Pa.C.S. §2902 (relating to unlawful restraint)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §2903 (relating to false imprisonment)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §2704 (relating to interference with custody of children)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §2910 (relating to luring a child into a motor vehicle or structure)				
	18 Pa.C.S. Ch. 30 (relating to human trafficking)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §3121 (relating to rape)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §3122.1 (relating to statutory sexual assault)				
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	18 Pa.C.S. §3126 (relating to indecent assault)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §3127 (relating to indecent exposure)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §3129 (relating to sexual intercourse with animal)				
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	18 Pa.C.S. §3301 (relating to arson and related offenses)				

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	18 Pa.C.S. §4302 (relating to incest)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §4303 (relating to concealing death of child)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §4305 (relating to dealing in infant children)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §5533 (relating to cruelty to animal)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §5534 (relating to aggravated cruelty to animal)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §5543 (relating to animal fighting)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §5544 (relating to possession of animal fighting paraphernalia)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §5902(b) or (b.1) (relating to prostitution and related offenses)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §5903(c) or (d) (relating to obscene and other sexual materials and performances)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §6301 (relating to corruption of minors)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §6312 (relating to sexual abuse of children)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §6318 (relating to unlawful contact with minor)				
	18 Pa.C.S. §6320 (relating to sexual exploitation of children)				
	Finding of contempt of a Protection of Victims of Sexual Violence and Intimidation order or agreement under 42 Pa.C.S. § 62A14				

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	Driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol				
	Manufacture, sale, delivery, holding, offering for sale or possession of any controlled substance or other drug or device				

3. *Abuse or Agency Involvement*. Check the box next to any statement that applies to you, a household member, or your child:

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	Involvement with a children and youth social service agency in Pennsylvania or a similar agency in another jurisdiction.			
	What jurisdiction?			
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SUBJECT CHILD(REN) – attach additional sheets if necessary:

Name	Date of Birth

- 4. *Criminal Offenses:* As to the following listed Pennsylvania crimes or offenses, or another jurisdiction's substantially equivalent crimes or offenses, check the box next to any applicable crime or offense in which you or a household member:
 - has pleaded guilty or no contest;
 - has been convicted;
 - has charges pending; or
 - has been adjudicated delinquent under the Juvenile Act, 42 Pa.C.S. §§ 6301-6375, and the record is publicly available as set forth in 42 Pa.C.S. § 6307.

You should also check the box next to a listed criminal offense even if the offense has been resolved by Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (ARD) or another diversionary program, unless it has been expunged pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. § 9122, or court has entered an order for limited access, *e.g.*, Clean Slate, pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. §§ 9122.1 or 9122.2:

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Plaintiff vs. Defendant	
	ER TO PROCEED WITHOUT MENT OF FEES AND COSTS
AND NOW, this	day of, 20, upon consideration
of the within Petition, it is hereby ord	lered that the Petitioner shall/shall not be permitted to proceed
in this matter without payment of fee	s and costs.
	BY THE COURT,

Plaintiff	: IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF: LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
VS.	: CIVIL ACTION – LAW : CUSTODY
Defendant	: : NO.
PETITION TO PROCEED WITH	OUT PAYMENT OF FEES AND COSTS
I am a party in the above matter and because	of my financial condition I am unable to pay the fees and
costs of prosecuting or defending the action of	or proceeding.
I am unable to obtain funds from anyone, inc	cluding my family and associates, to pay the costs of
litigation.	
I represent that the information below relatin	g to my ability to pay the fees and costs is true and correct:
(a) Name:	
Address:	
(b) Employment If you are presently employed, sta	nte
Employer:	
Address:	
Salary or wages per month:	
Type of work:	
If you are presently unemployed,	state
Date of last employment:	
Salary or Wages per month:	
Type of work:	
(c) Other income within the past tw	velve months
Business or profession:	
Other self-employment:	
Interest	

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Dividends:		
Pension and annuities:		
Social security benefits:		
Support payments:		
Disability payments:		
Unemployment compensation and	supplemental benefits:	
Workers' compensation:		
Public assistance:		
Other:		
(d) Other contributions to househol	d support	
Do you have a spouse?		
Name of your spouse:		
If your spouse is employed, sta	ate	
Employer:		
Address:		
Salary or wages per month: _		
Type of work:		
Contributions from children:		
Contributions from parents:		
Other contributions:		
(e) Property owned		
Cash:		
Checking account:		
Savings account:		
Certificates of deposit:		
Real estate (including home):		
Motor vehicle:		
Make	Year	
Cost	Amount Owed: \$	

Stocks and bonds:	
Other:	
(f) Debts and obligations	
Mortgage:	
Rent:	
Loans:	
Other:	
(g) Persons dependent upon you for support	
Spouse Name:	
Children	
List INITIALS of each child. Initials:	
List ages of children (no birthdates). Ages:	
Other persons who depend on you for support	
Name:	
Relationship:	
4. I understand that I have a continuing obligation to inform the 0	Court of improvement in my
financial circumstances which would permit me to pay the costs incurred	herein.
5. I verify that the statements made in this affidavit are true and c	correct. I understand that false
statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. §4904, r	elating to unsworn falsification to
authorities.	
Date:	
Signature of Petitioner:	
Print Name Here:	
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Plaintiff,	: IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF : LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
vs.	: NO. : CIVIL ACTION - LAW
, Defendant	: CUSTODY/VISITATION
AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY C	ERTIFIED MAIL AND REGULAR MAIL
I,	, certify that on, I
(your name) mailed a true and correct copy of the Motion	, certify that on, I (date mailed) Cover Sheet, Notice and Order, Petition for
Contempt, Certification of Attempt to Resolv	ve Conflict, copy of the Custody Order, completed
Criminal Record/Abuse History Verification	, blank Criminal Record/Abuse History Verification,
and Confidential Information Form. These d	locuments were sent by certified mail, restricted
delivery, return receipt requested, to:	
(other parent	/party's name and address)
I also mailed a true and correct copy	
mail to the other party at the same address or	
	(date mailed)
☐ The other party received the d	documents (date received)
Sender's receipt and return re	
☐ The other party refused the ce attached.	ertified mail, and the sender's receipt and refusal are
☐ The regular mail has not been	returned as undeliverable.
	correct. I understand that false statements herein are \$4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.
Date: Petition	ner's Signature:

Plaintiff	: IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF : LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
vs.	: : NO. : CIVIL ACTION - LAW
Defendant	: CUSTODY/VISITATION
AFF	IDAVIT OF PERSONAL SERVICE
Ι,	, certify that I am a competent adult who is
	n not a party to this action or an employee or relative of a party
to this action. On	, I served a true and correct copy of the
Motion Cover Sheet, Notice and	Order, Petition for Contempt, Certification of Attempt to
Resolve Conflict, copy of Custod	ly Order, completed Criminal Record/Abuse History Verification,
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upon b (other parent/party) □ handing a copy to him/he □ handing a copy to an adul	
handing a copy to an adul	It in charge of his/her residence by the name of
handing a copy to an adul	t in charge at his/her place of employment by the name of
at this address/location:	
at approximately(tim	(place served)
(tim	e of day/am-pm)
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Date:	(server's signature)
	Name:
	Address
	Phone: