



**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA**  
County of Kings  
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# PARENTAL RELATIONSHIP PACKET (Step 3 of 3)



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## FORMS INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET

Request to Enter Default	Judicial Council Form FL-165
Stipulation for Entry of Judgment Re: Establishment of Parental Relationship	Judicial Council Form FL-240
Advisement and Waiver of Rights Re: Establishment of Parental Relationship	Judicial Council Form FL-235
Declaration for Default or Uncontested Judgment	Judicial Council Form FL-230
Judgment	Judicial Council Form FL-250
Child Custody and Visitation (Parenting Time) Order Attachment	Judicial Council Form FL-341
Child Support Information and Order Attachment	Judicial Council Form FL-342
Notice of Rights and Responsibilities Health-Care Costs and Reimbursement Procedures	Judicial Council Form FL-192
Notice of Entry of Judgment	Judicial Council Form FL-190
Child Support Case Registry Form	Judicial Council Form FL-191
Order/Notice to Withhold Income for Support	Judicial Council Form FL-195
Income Withholding for Support – Instructions	Judicial Council Form FL-196
<b>Filing Fee:</b>	<b>No filing fee required</b>

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY <i>(Name, State Bar number, and address):</i>  TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO. <i>(Optional)</i> : _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS <i>(Optional)</i> : _____ ATTORNEY FOR <i>(Name)</i> : _____	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF</b> STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
PETITIONER:  RESPONDENT:	
<b>REQUEST TO ENTER DEFAULT</b>	CASE NUMBER: _____

1. **To the clerk:** Please enter the default of the respondent who has failed to respond to the petition.
2. A completed *Income and Expense Declaration* (form FL-150) or *Financial Statement (Simplified)* (form FL-155)  is attached  is not attached.  
 A completed *Property Declaration* (form FL-160)  is attached  is not attached because *(check at least one of the following)*:
  - (a)  there have been no changes since the previous filing.
  - (b)  the issues subject to disposition by the court in this proceeding are the subject of a written agreement.
  - (c)  there are no issues of child, spousal, or partner support or attorney fees and costs subject to determination by the court.
  - (d)  the petition does not request money, property, costs, or attorney fees. (Fam. Code, § 2330.5.)
  - (e)  there are no issues of division of community property.
  - (f)  this is an action to establish parental relationship.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

_____ (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)	▶	_____ (SIGNATURE OF [ATTORNEY FOR] PETITIONER)
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**3. Declaration**

- a.  No mailing is required because service was by publication or posting and the address of the respondent remains unknown.
- b.  A copy of this *Request to Enter Default*, including any attachments and an envelope with sufficient postage, was provided to the court clerk, with the envelope addressed as follows *(address of the respondent's attorney or, if none, the respondent's last known address)*:

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Request to Enter Default</i> mailed to the respondent or the respondent's attorney on <i>(date)</i> : <input type="checkbox"/> Default entered as requested on <i>(date)</i> : <input type="checkbox"/> Default <b>not</b> entered. Reason: _____
Clerk, by _____, Deputy

CASE NAME (Last name, first name of each party):	CASE NUMBER:
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**4. Memorandum of costs**

a.  Costs and disbursements are waived.

b. Costs and disbursements are listed as follows:

- (1)  Clerk's fees ..... \$.....
- (2)  Process server's fees ..... \$.....
- (3)  Other (specify): ..... \$.....
- ..... \$.....
- ..... \$.....
- ..... \$.....
- TOTAL ..... \$.....

c. I am the attorney, agent, or party who claims these costs. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing items of cost are correct and have been necessarily incurred in this cause or proceeding.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

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**5. Declaration of nonmilitary status.** The respondent is not in the military service of the United States as defined in section 511 et seq. of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. Appen. § 501 et seq.), and is not entitled to the benefits of such act.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

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ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY ( <i>Name, State Bar number, and address</i> ):  TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO.: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ ATTORNEY FOR ( <i>Name</i> ): _____	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF</b> STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	
<b>STIPULATION FOR ENTRY OF JUDGMENT RE: ESTABLISHMENT OF PARENTAL RELATIONSHIP</b>	CASE NUMBER:

**THE PARTIES STIPULATE THAT**

1.  The parties have read and understand the *Advisement and Waiver of Rights Re: Establishment of Parental Relationship* (form FL-235), which is submitted with this *Stipulation for Entry of Judgment*. The parties give up those rights and freely agree that a judgment may be entered in accordance with this stipulation.

2. Name:  Mother  Father  
 Name:  Mother  Father

are the parents of the following children:

Name Date of Birth

- 3.  Child custody and visitation shall be ordered as set forth in the proposed *Judgment (Uniform Parentage)* (form FL-250).
- 4.  Child support shall be ordered as set forth in the proposed *Judgment (Uniform Parentage)* (form FL-250).
- 5.  Attorney fees shall be ordered as set forth in the proposed *Judgment (Uniform Parentage)* (form FL-250).
- 6.  Names of the children shall be changed as set forth in the proposed *Judgment (Uniform Parentage)* (form FL-250).
- 7.  Reasonable costs of pregnancy and birth shall be paid as ordered in the proposed *Judgment (Uniform Parentage)* (form FL-250).
- 8.  Other orders shall be as set forth in the proposed *Judgment (Uniform Parentage)* (form FL-250).
- 9.  The parties further agree that the court make the following orders:

See attachment 9.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

▶ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER)

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

▶ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT)

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

▶ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER)

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

▶ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY FOR RESPONDENT)

Date:

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 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

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 (SIGNATURE OF OTHER PARTY OR ATTORNEY)

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**ADVISEMENT AND WAIVER OF RIGHTS RE: DETERMINATION OF PARENTAL RELATIONSHIP**

1. **RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED BY A LAWYER.** I understand that I have the right to be represented by a lawyer of my own choice at my own expense. If I cannot afford a lawyer, I can contact the Lawyer Referral Association of the local bar association or the Family Law Facilitator for assistance.
2. **RIGHT TO A TRIAL.** I understand that I have a right to have a judge determine whether I am the parent of the children named in this action.
3. **RIGHT TO CONFRONT AND CROSS-EXAMINE WITNESSES.** I understand that in a trial I have the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against me and to present evidence and witnesses in my own defense.
4. **RIGHT TO HAVE GENETIC TESTING.** I understand that, where the law permits, I have the right to have the court order genetic testing. The court will decide who pays for the tests. The court could order that I pay none, some, or all of the costs of the tests.
5. **OBLIGATIONS.** I understand that if I admit that I am the parent of the children in this action that those children will be my children for legal purposes.
6. **WAIVER.** I understand that I am admitting that I am the parent of the children named in the stipulation and am giving up the rights stated above (except the right to an attorney if I have an attorney).
7. **CHILD SUPPORT.** I understand that I will have the duty to contribute to the support of the children named in this action and that this duty of support will continue for each child until the obligation is terminated by law.
8. **CRIMINAL NON-SUPPORT.** I understand that if I willfully fail to support the children, criminal proceedings may be initiated against me.
9. **UNDERSTANDING.**
  - a.  I have read and understand the *Judgment (Uniform Parentage—Custody and Support)* (form FL-250) and this *Advisement and Waiver of Rights*.
  - b.  I understand the translation.

**IF I AM REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT MY ATTORNEY HAS READ AND EXPLAINED TO ME THE CONTENTS OF THE STIPULATION, RECITALS, AND WAIVERS, AND I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I UNDERSTAND THEM.**

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)



\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT)

**INTERPRETER'S DECLARATION**

1. The  Petitioner  Respondent is unable to read or understand the *Judgment (Uniform Parentage—Custody and Support)* (form FL-250) and this *Advisement and Waiver of Rights* because:
  - a.  the primary language of the party is (*specify*):
  - b.  Other (*specify*):
2. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that I have, to the best of my ability, read or translated for the  Petitioner  Respondent the *Judgment (Uniform Parentage—Custody and Support)* (form FL-250) and this *Advisement and Waiver of Rights*.  Petitioner  Respondent understood the *Judgment (Uniform Parentage—Custody and Support)* (form FL-250) and this *Advisement and Waiver of Rights* before signing them, as stated in Item 9 above.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)



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(SIGNATURE OF INTERPRETER)



PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY OR ATTORNEY STATE BAR NUMBER: NAME: FIRM NAME: STREET ADDRESS: CITY: STATE: ZIP CODE: TELEPHONE NO.: FAX NO.: E-MAIL ADDRESS: ATTORNEY FOR (name):	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF</b> STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
PETITIONER: RESPONDENT:	
<b>JUDGMENT</b>	CASE NUMBER:

1.  This judgment  contains personal conduct restraining orders  modifies existing restraining orders.  
 The restraining orders are contained in item(s): \_\_\_\_\_ of the attachment.  
 They expire on (date): \_\_\_\_\_ A CLETS form must be attached.
2. a. This matter proceeded as follows:  Default or uncontested  By declaration  Contested  
 b. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Dept.: \_\_\_\_\_ Room: \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. Judicial officer (name): \_\_\_\_\_  Temporary judge  
 d.  Petitioner present  Attorney present (name): \_\_\_\_\_  
 e.  Respondent present  Attorney present (name): \_\_\_\_\_  
 f. **Petitioner** (1)  The petitioner appeared without counsel and was advised of relevant rights.  
 (2)  The petitioner signed *Advisement and Waiver of Rights Re: Determination of Parental Relationship* (form FL-235).  
 (3)  The petitioner is married to the respondent, and no other action is pending.  
 (4)  The petitioner signed a voluntary declaration of parentage or paternity.  
 (5)  There is a prior judgment of parentage in a family support, juvenile, or adoption court case.  
 g. **Respondent** (1)  The respondent appeared without counsel and was advised of relevant rights.  
 (2)  The respondent signed *Advisement and Waiver of Rights Re: Determination of Parental Relationship* (form FL-235).  
 (3)  The respondent is married to the petitioner, and no other action is pending.  
 (4)  The respondent signed a voluntary declaration of parentage or paternity.  
 (5)  There is a prior judgment of parentage in a family support, juvenile or adoption court case.  
 h. Other parties or attorneys present (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**3. THE COURT FINDS**

Name:  
Name:  
Name:

are the parents of the following children:

Child's name

Date of birth

**4. THE COURT ORDERS**

- a.  Child custody and visitation are as specified in one or more of the attached forms:
  - (1)  *Child Custody and Visitation Order Attachment* (form FL-341)
  - (2)  *Stipulation and Order for Custody and/or Visitation of Children* (form FL-355)
  - (3)  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

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**5. THE COURT FURTHER ORDERS**

- a.  Child support is as stated in one or more of the attached:
  - (1)  *Child Support Information and Order Attachment* (form FL-342)
  - (2)  *Stipulation to Establish or Modify Child Support and Order* (form FL-350)
  - (3)  Other (*specify*):
- b. Both parties must complete and file with the court a *Child Support Case Registry Form* (form FL-191) within 10 days of the date of this judgment. Thereafter, the parents must notify the court of any change in the information submitted, within 10 days of the change.
- c. The form *Notice of Rights and Responsibilities—Health Care Costs and Reimbursement Procedures and Information Sheet on Changing a Child Support Order* (form FL-192) is attached.
- d.  The last names of the children are changed to (*specify*):
- e.  The birth certificates must be amended to conform to this court order by
  - (1)  adding the following parent's name:
  - (2)  changing the last name of the children.
- f.  Attorney fees and costs are as stated in the attached *Attorney's Fees and Costs Order Attachment* (form FL-346).
- g.  Reasonable expenses of pregnancy and birth are as stated in the attachment.
- h.  Other (*specify*):

Continued on Attachment 5h.

6. Number of pages attached: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

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JUDICIAL OFFICER

SIGNATURE FOLLOWS LAST ATTACHMENT

**NOTICE: Any party required to pay child support must pay interest on overdue amounts at the "legal" rate, which is currently 10 percent.**

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**CHILD CUSTODY AND VISITATION (PARENTING TIME) ORDER ATTACHMENT**

- TO  *Findings and Order After Hearing* (form FL-340)  *Judgment* (form FL-180)  *Judgment* (form FL-250)  
 *Stipulation and Order to Custody and/or Visitation of Children* (form FL-355)  
 Other (specify):

1. **Jurisdiction.** This court has jurisdiction to make child custody orders in this case under the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act (Fam. Code, §§ 3400–3465).
2. **Notice and opportunity to be heard.** The responding party was given notice and an opportunity to be heard, as provided by the laws of the State of California.
3. **Country of habitual residence.** The country of habitual residence of the child or children in this case is  
 the United States  Other (specify):
4. **Penalties for violating this order.** If you violate this order, you may be subject to civil or criminal penalties, or both.
5.  **Child Custody.** Custody of the minor children of the parties is awarded as follows:

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>	<u>Legal custody to: (person who makes decisions about health, education, etc.)</u>	<u>Physical custody to: (person with whom child lives)</u>
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6.  **Child abduction prevention.** There is a risk that one of the parties will take the children out of California without the other party's permission. (*Child Abduction Prevention Orders Attachment* (form FL-341(B)) must be attached and must be obeyed.)

7.  **Visitation (Parenting Time)**
  - a.  Reasonable right of visitation to the party without physical custody (**not appropriate in cases involving domestic violence**)
  - b.  See the attached \_\_\_\_\_-page document
  - c.  The parties will go to child custody mediation or child custody recommending counseling at (specify date, time, and location):
  - d.  No Visitation (Parenting Time)
  - e.  Visitation (Parenting Time) for the  petitioner  respondent  other (name): will be as follows:

(1)  **Weekends starting(date):**

(Note: The first weekend of the month is the first weekend with a Saturday.)

1st  2nd  3rd  4th  5th weekend of the month

from \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m. \_\_\_\_\_ p.m./ if applicable, specify:  start of school  
 (day of week) (time)  after school

to \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m. \_\_\_\_\_ p.m./ if applicable, specify:  start of school  
 (day of week) (time)  after school

(a)  The parties will alternate the fifth weekends, with the  petitioner  respondent  other parent/party having the initial fifth weekend, which starts (date):

(b)  The  petitioner  respondent  other parent/party will have the fifth weekend in  odd  even numbered months.

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11.  **Holiday schedule.** The children will spend holiday time as listed  below  in the attached schedule (*Children's Holiday Schedule Attachment (form FL-341(C))* may be used for this purpose.)
12.  **Additional custody provisions.** The parties will follow the additional custody provisions listed  below  in the attached schedule. (*Additional Provisions—Physical Custody Attachment (form FL-341(D))* may be used for this purpose.)
13.  **Joint legal custody.** The parties will share joint legal custody as listed  below  in the attached schedule. (*Joint Legal Custody Attachment (form FL-341(E))* may be used for this purpose.)
14. **Access to children's records.** Both the custodial and noncustodial parent have the right to access records and information about their minor children (including medical, dental, and school records) and consult with professionals who are providing services to the children.
15.  **Other (specify):**

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**THE COURT FURTHER ORDERS**

6. b.  **Mandatory additional child support**

(1) Child-care costs related to employment or reasonably necessary job training

- (a)  Petitioner/plaintiff must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month   child-care costs.
- (b)  Respondent/defendant must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month   child-care costs.
- (c)  Other parent/party must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month   child-care costs.
- (d)  Costs to be paid as follows (*specify*):

c. **Mandatory additional child support**

(2) Reasonable uninsured health-care costs for the children

- (a)  Petitioner/plaintiff must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month.
- (b)  Respondent/defendant must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month.
- (c)  Other parent/party must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month.
- (d)  Costs to be paid as follows (*specify*):

d.  **Additional child support**

(1)  Costs related to the educational or other special needs of the children

- (a)  Petitioner/plaintiff must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month.
- (b)  Respondent/defendant must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month.
- (c)  Other parent/party must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month.
- (d)  Costs to be paid as follows (*specify*):

(2)  Travel expenses for visitation

- (a)  Petitioner/plaintiff must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month.
- (b)  Respondent/defendant must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month.
- (c)  Other parent/party must pay:                   % of total or  \$                   per month.
- (d)  Costs to be paid as follows (*specify*):

e.  **Non-Guideline Order**

This order does not meet the child support guideline set forth in Family Code section 4055. *Non-Guideline Child Support Findings Attachment (form FL-342(A))* is attached.

<b>Total child support per month: \$</b>
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7. **Health-care expenses**

- a. Health insurance coverage for the minor children of the parties must be maintained by the  petitioner/plaintiff  respondent/defendant  other parent/party if available at no or reasonable cost through their respective places of employment or self-employment. Both parties are ordered to cooperate in the presentation, collection, and reimbursement of any health-care claims. The parent ordered to provide health insurance must seek continuation of coverage for the child after the child attains the age when the child is no longer considered eligible for coverage as a dependent under the insurance contract, if the child is incapable of self-sustaining employment because of a physically or mentally disabling injury, illness, or condition and is chiefly dependent upon the parent providing health insurance for support and maintenance.
- b.  Health insurance is not available to the  petitioner/plaintiff  respondent/defendant  other parent/party at a reasonable cost at this time.
- c.  The party providing coverage must assign the right of reimbursement to the other party.

8. **Earnings assignment**

An earnings assignment order is issued. **Note:** The payor of child support is responsible for the payment of support directly to the recipient until support payments are deducted from the payor's wages and for payment of any support not paid by the assignment.

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9. In the event that there is a contract between a party receiving support and a private child support collector, the party ordered to pay support must pay the fee charged by the private child support collector. This fee must not exceed 33 1/3 percent of the total amount of past due support nor may it exceed 50 percent of any fee charged by the private child support collector. The money judgment created by this provision is in favor of the private child support collector and the party receiving support, jointly.

10.  **Employment search order (Family Code § 4505)**  
 Petitioner/plaintiff  Respondent/defendant  Other parent/party is ordered to seek employment with the following terms and conditions:

11. **Other orders (specify):**

**12. Notices**

- a. *Notice of Rights and Responsibilities (Health-Care Costs and Reimbursement Procedures) and Information Sheet on Changing a Child Support Order (form FL-192)* must be attached and is incorporated into this order.
- b. If this form is attached to *Restraining Order After Hearing (form DV130)*, the support orders issued on this form (form FL-342) remain in effect after the restraining orders issued on form DV-130 end.

**13. Child Support Case Registry Form**

Both parties must complete and file with the court a *Child Support Case Registry Form (form FL-191)* within 10 days of the date of this order. Thereafter, the parties must notify the court of any change in the information submitted within 10 days of the change by filing an updated form.

**NOTICE: Any party required to pay child support must pay interest on overdue amounts at the legal rate, which is currently 10 percent per year.**

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**NOTICE OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**  
**Health-Care Costs and Reimbursement Procedures**

**IF YOU HAVE A CHILD SUPPORT ORDER THAT INCLUDES A PROVISION FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF A PORTION OF THE CHILD'S OR CHILDREN'S HEALTH-CARE COSTS AND THOSE COSTS ARE NOT PAID BY INSURANCE, THE LAW SAYS:**

**1. Notice.** You must give the other parent an itemized statement of the charges that have been billed for any health-care costs not paid by insurance. You must give this statement to the other parent within a reasonable time, but no more than 30 days after those costs were given to you.

**2. Proof of full payment.** If you have already paid all of the uninsured costs, you must (1) give the other parent proof that you paid them and (2) ask for reimbursement for the other parent's court-ordered share of those costs.

**3. Proof of partial payment.** If you have paid only your share of the uninsured costs, you must (1) give the other parent proof that you paid your share, (2) ask that the other parent pay his or her share of the costs directly to the health-care provider, and (3) give the other parent the information necessary for that parent to be able to pay the bill.

**4. Payment by notified parent.** If you receive notice from a parent that an uninsured health-care cost has been incurred, you must pay your share of that cost within the time the court orders; or if the court has not specified a period of time, you must make payment (1) within 30 days from the time you were given notice of the amount due, (2) according to any payment schedule set by the health-care provider, (3) according to a schedule agreed to in writing by you and the other parent, or (4) according to a schedule adopted by the court.

**5. Disputed charges.** If you dispute a charge, you may file a motion in court to resolve the dispute, but only if you pay that charge before filing your motion. If you claim that the other party has failed to reimburse you for a payment, or the other party has failed to make a payment to the provider after proper notice has been given, you may file a motion in court to resolve the dispute. The court will presume that if uninsured costs have been paid, those costs were reasonable. The court may award attorney fees and costs against a party who has been unreasonable.

**6. Court-ordered insurance coverage.** If a parent provides health-care insurance as ordered by the court, that insurance must be used at all times to the extent that it is available for health-care costs.

**a. Burden to prove.** The party claiming that the coverage is inadequate to meet the child's needs has the burden of proving that to the court.

**b. Cost of additional coverage.** If a parent purchases health-care insurance in addition to that ordered by the court, that parent must pay all the costs of the additional coverage. In addition, if a parent uses alternative coverage that costs more than the coverage provided by court order, that parent must pay the difference.

**7. Preferred health providers.** If the court-ordered coverage designates a preferred health-care provider, that provider must be used at all times consistent with the terms of the health insurance policy. When any party uses a health-care provider other than the preferred provider, any health-care costs that would have been paid by the preferred health provider if that provider had been used must be the sole responsibility of the party incurring those costs.

## INFORMATION SHEET ON CHANGING A CHILD SUPPORT ORDER

### General Information

The court has just made a child support order in your case. This order will remain the same unless a party to the action requests that the support be changed (modified). An order for child support can be modified only by filing a motion to change child support and serving each party involved in your case. If both parents and the local child support agency (if it is involved) agree on a new child support amount, you can complete, have all parties sign, and file with the court a *Stipulation to Establish or Modify Child Support and Order* (form FL-350) or *Stipulation and Order (Governmental)* (form FL-625).

### When a Child Support Order May Be Modified

The court takes several things into account when ordering the payment of child support. First, the number of children is considered. Next, the net incomes of both parents are determined, along with the percentage of time each parent has physical custody of the children. The court considers both parties' tax filing status and may consider hardships, such as a child of another relationship. An existing order for child support may be modified when the net income of one of the parents changes significantly, the parenting schedule changes significantly, or a new child is born.

### Examples

- You have been ordered to pay \$500 per month in child support. You lose your job. You will continue to owe \$500 per month, plus 10 percent interest on any unpaid support, unless you file a motion to modify your child support to a lower amount and the court orders a reduction.
- You are currently receiving \$300 per month in child support from the other parent, whose net income has just increased substantially. You will continue to receive \$300 per month unless you file a motion to modify your child support to a higher amount and the court orders an increase.
- You are paying child support based upon having physical custody of your children 30 percent of the time. After several months it turns out that you actually have physical custody of the children 50 percent of the time. You may file a motion to modify child support to a lower amount.

### How to Change a Child Support Order

To change a child support order, you must file papers with the court. *Remember:* You must follow the order you have now.

### What forms do I need?

If you are asking to change a child support order open with the local child support agency, you must fill out one of these forms:

- FL-680, *Notice of Motion (Governmental)* or FL-683 *Order to Show Cause (Governmental)* **and**
- FL-684, *Request for Order and Supporting Declaration (Governmental)*

If you are asking to change a child support order that is **not** open with the local child support agency, you must fill out one of these forms:

- FL-300, *Request for Order* **or**
- FL-390, *Notice of Motion and Motion for Simplified Modification of Order for Child, Spousal, or Family Support*

You must also fill out one of these forms:

- FL-150, *Income and Expense Declaration* **or** FL-155, *Financial Statement (Simplified)*

### What if I am not sure which forms to fill out?

Talk to the family law facilitator at your court.

**After you fill out the forms**, file them with the court clerk and ask for a hearing date. Write the hearing date on the form.

The clerk will ask you to pay a filing fee. If you cannot afford the fee, fill out these forms, too:

- Form FW-001, *Request to Waive Court Fees*
- Form FW-003, *Order on Court Fee Waiver (Superior Court)*

**You must serve the other parent.** If the local child support agency is involved, serve it too.

This means someone 18 or over—**not you**—must serve the other parent copies of your filed court forms at least **16 court days** before the hearing. Add **5 calendar days** if you serve by mail within California (see Code of Civil Procedure section 1005 for other situations).

**Court days** are weekdays when the court is open for business (Monday through Friday except court holidays). **Calendar days** include all days of the month, including weekends and holidays. To find court holidays, go to [www.courts.ca.gov/holidays.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/holidays.htm).

The server must also serve blank copies of these forms:

- FL-320, *Responsive Declaration to Request for Order* **and** FL-150, *Income and Expense Declaration*, **or**
- FL-155, *Financial Statement (Simplified)*

Then the server fills out and signs a *Proof of Service* (form FL-330 or FL-335). Take this form to the clerk and file it.

**Go to your hearing and ask the judge to change the support.** Bring your tax returns from the last two years and your last two months' pay stubs. The judge will look at your information, listen to both parents, and make an order. After the hearing, fill out:

- FL-340, *Findings and Order After Hearing* **and**
- FL-342, *Child Support Information and Order Attachment*

### Need help?

Contact the family law facilitator in your county or call your county's bar association and ask for an experienced family lawyer.

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY ( <i>Name, State Bar number, and address</i> ):  TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO. ( <i>Optional</i> ): _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS ( <i>Optional</i> ): _____ ATTORNEY FOR ( <i>Name</i> ): _____	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF</b> STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
PETITIONER:  RESPONDENT:	
<b>NOTICE OF ENTRY OF JUDGMENT</b>	CASE NUMBER: _____

You are notified that the following judgment was entered on (*date*):

1.  Dissolution
2.  Dissolution—status only
3.  Dissolution—reserving jurisdiction over termination of marital status or domestic partnership
4.  Legal separation
5.  Nullity
6.  Parent-child relationship
7.  Judgment on reserved issues
8.  Other (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk, by \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy

**—NOTICE TO ATTORNEY OF RECORD OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY—**

Under the provisions of Code of Civil Procedure section 1952, if no appeal is filed the court may order the exhibits destroyed or otherwise disposed of after 60 days from the expiration of the appeal time.

**STATEMENT IN THIS BOX APPLIES ONLY TO JUDGMENT OF DISSOLUTION**

Effective date of termination of marital or domestic partnership status (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_

**WARNING: Neither party may remarry or enter into a new domestic partnership until the effective date of the termination of marital or domestic partnership status, as shown in this box.**

**CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I certify that I am not a party to this cause and that a true copy of the *Notice of Entry of Judgment* was mailed first class, postage fully prepaid, in a sealed envelope addressed as shown below, and that the notice was mailed at (*place*): \_\_\_\_\_, California, on (*date*): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk, by \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and address of petitioner or petitioner's attorney

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and address of respondent or respondent's attorney

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address):      TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO. (Optional): _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional): _____ ATTORNEY FOR (Name): _____	COURT PERSONNEL: STAMP DATE RECEIVED HERE      <b>DO NOT FILE</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF</b> STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF:  RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT:  OTHER PARENT:	
<b>CHILD SUPPORT CASE REGISTRY FORM</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> First form completed <input type="checkbox"/> Father <input type="checkbox"/> Change to previous information	CASE NUMBER:

**THIS FORM WILL NOT BE PLACED IN THE COURT FILE. IT WILL BE MAINTAINED IN A CONFIDENTIAL FILE WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.**

**Notice: Pages 1 and 2 of this form must be completed and delivered to the court along with the court order for support. Pages 3 and 4 are instructional only and do not need to be delivered to the court. If you did not file the court order, you must complete this form and deliver it to the court within 10 days of the date on which you received a copy of the support order. Any later change to the information on this form must be delivered to the court on another form within 10 days of the change. It is important that you keep the court informed in writing of any changes of your address and telephone number.**

1. Support order information (*this information is on the court order you are filing or have received*).
  - a. Date order filed:
  - b.  Initial child support or family support order                       Modification
  - c. Total monthly base current child or family support amount ordered for children listed below, plus any monthly amount ordered payable on past-due support:
 

<u>Child Support:</u> (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Current                      \$ base child <input type="checkbox"/> Reserved order support: <input type="checkbox"/> \$0 (zero) order  (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Additional                      \$ monthly support:  (3) <input type="checkbox"/> Total                      \$ past-due support:  (4) <input type="checkbox"/> Payment                      \$ on past- due support:	<u>Family Support:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Current                      \$ base family <input type="checkbox"/> Reserved order support: <input type="checkbox"/> \$0 (zero) order  <input type="checkbox"/> Additional                      \$ monthly support:  <input type="checkbox"/> Total                      \$ past-due support:  <input type="checkbox"/> Payment                      \$ on past- due support:	<u>Spousal Support:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Current                      \$ spousal <input type="checkbox"/> Reserved order support: <input type="checkbox"/> \$0 (zero) order    <input type="checkbox"/> Total                      \$ past-due support:  <input type="checkbox"/> Payment                      \$ on past- due support:
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  - (5) Wage withholding was  ordered  ordered but stayed until (date):
2. Person required to pay child or family support (name):  
 Relationship to child (specify):
3. Person or agency to receive child or family support payments (name):  
 Relationship to child (if applicable):

**TYPE OR PRINT IN INK**

PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF: RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT: OTHER PARENT:	CASE NUMBER:
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4. The child support order is for the following children:

- |  | <u>Child's name</u> | <u>Date of birth</u> | <u>Social security number</u> |
|--|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| a.   |                     |                      |                               |
| b.   |                     |                      |                               |
| c.   |                     |                      |                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional children are listed on a page attached to this document. |                     |                      |                               |

You are required to complete the following information about yourself. You are not required to provide information about the other person, but you are encouraged to provide as much as you can. This form is confidential and will not be filed in the court file. It will be maintained in a confidential file with the State of California.

5. Father's name:

- a. Date of birth:  
 b. Social security number:  
 c. Street address:

City, state, zip code:

d. Mailing address:

City, state, zip code:

e. Driver's license number:

State:

f. Telephone number:

- g.  Employed  Not employed  Self-employed

Employer's name:

Street address:

City, state, zip code:

Telephone number:

6. Mother's name:

- a. Date of birth:  
 b. Social security number:  
 c. Street address:

City, state, zip code:

d. Mailing address:

City, state, zip code:

e. Driver's license number:

State:

f. Telephone number:

- g.  Employed  Not employed  Self-employed

Employer's name:

Street address:

City, state, zip code:

Telephone number:

7.  A restraining order, protective order, or nondisclosure order due to domestic violence is in effect.

- a. The order protects:  Father  Mother  Children  
 b. From:  Father  Mother  
 c. The restraining order expires on (date):

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (SIGNATURE OF PERSON COMPLETING THIS FORM)

## INFORMATION SHEET FOR CHILD SUPPORT CASE REGISTRY FORM

(Do NOT deliver this Information Sheet to the court clerk.)

Please follow these instructions to complete the *Child Support Case Registry Form* (form FL-191) if you do not have an attorney to represent you. Your attorney, if you have one, should complete this form.

Both parents must complete a *Child Support Case Registry Form*. The information on this form will be included in a national database that, among other things, is used to locate absent parents. When you file a court order, you must deliver a completed form to the court clerk along with your court order. If you did not file a court order, you must deliver a completed form to the court clerk **WITHIN 10 DAYS** of the date you received a copy of your court order. If any of the information you provide on this form changes, you must complete a new form and deliver it to the court clerk within 10 days of the change. The address of the court clerk is the same as the one shown for the superior court on your order. This form is confidential and will not be filed in the court file. It will be maintained in a confidential file with the State of California.

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE *CHILD SUPPORT CASE REGISTRY FORM* (TYPE OR PRINT IN INK):

If the top section of the form has already been filled out, skip down to number 1 below. If the top section of the form is blank, you must provide this information.

Page 1, first box, top of form, left side: Print your name, address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address, if any, in this box. Attorneys must include their State Bar identification numbers.

Page 1, second box, top of form, left side: Print the name of the county and the court's address in this box. Use the same address for the court that is on the court order you are filing or have received.

Page 1, third box, top of form, left side: Print the names of the petitioner/plaintiff, respondent/defendant, and other parent in this box. Use the same names listed on the court order you are filing or have received.

Page 1, fourth box, top of form, left side: Check the box indicating whether you are the mother or the father. If you are the attorney for the mother, check the box for mother. If you are the attorney for the father, check the box for father. Also, if this is the first time you have filled out this form, check the box by "First form completed." If you have filled out form FL-191 before, and you are changing any of the information, check the box by "Change to previous information."

Page 1, first box, right side: Leave this box blank for the court's use in stamping the date of receipt.

Page 1, second box, right side: Print the court case number in this box. This number is also shown on the court papers.

### Instructions for numbered paragraphs:

1. a. Enter the date the court order was filed. This date is shown in the "COURT PERSONNEL: STAMP DATE RECEIVED HERE" box on page 1 at the top of the order on the right side. If the order has not been filed, leave this item blank for the court clerk to fill in.
- b. If the court order you filed or received is the first child or family support order for this case, check the box by "Initial child support or family support order." If this is a change to your order, check the box by "Modification."
- c. Information regarding the amount and type of support ordered and wage withholding is on the court order you are filing or have received.
  - (1) If your order provides for any type of current support, check all boxes that describe that support. For example, if your order provides for both child and spousal support, check both of those boxes. If there is an amount, put it in the blank provided. If the order says the amount is reserved, check the "Reserved order" box. If the order says the amount is zero, check the "\$0 (zero) order" box. Do not include child care, special needs, uninsured medical expenses, or travel for visitation here. These amounts will go in (2). Do NOT complete the Child Support Case Registry form if you receive spousal support only.
  - (2) If your order provides for a set monthly amount to be paid as additional support for such needs as child care, special needs, uninsured medical expenses or travel for visitation check the box in Item 2 and enter the monthly amount. For example, if your order provides for base child support and in addition the paying parent is required to pay \$300 per month, check the box in item 2 underneath the "Child Support" column and enter \$300. Do NOT check this box if your order provides only for a payment of a percentage, such as 50% of the childcare.

- (3) If your order determined the amount of past due support, check the box in Item 3 that states the type of past due support and enter the amount. For example, if the court determined that there was \$5000 in past due child support and \$1000 in past due spousal support, you would check the box in item 3 in the "Child Support" column and enter \$5000 and you would also check the box in item 3 in the "Spousal Support" column and enter \$1000.
  - (4) If your order provides for a specific dollar amount to be paid towards any past due support, check the box in Item 4 that states the type of past due support and enter the amount. For example, the court ordered \$350 per month to be paid on the past due child support, you would check the box in Item 4 in the "Child Support" column and enter \$350.
  - (5) Check the "ordered" box if wage withholding was ordered with no conditions. Check the box "ordered but stayed until" if wage withholding was ordered but is not to be deducted until a later date. If the court delayed the effective date of the wage withholding, enter the specific date. Check only one box in this item.
2. a. Write the name of the person who is supposed to pay child or family support.  
b. Write the relationship of that person to the child.
  3. a. Write the name of the person or agency supposed to receive child or family support payments.  
b. Write the relationship of that person to the child.
  4. List the full name, date of birth, and social security number for each child included in the support order. If there are more than five children included in the support order, check the box below item 4e and list the remaining children with dates of birth and social security numbers on another sheet of paper. Attach the other sheet to this form.

The local child support agency is required, under section 466(a)(13) of the Social Security Act, to place in the records pertaining to child support the social security number of any individual who is subject to a divorce decree, support order, or paternity determination or acknowledgment. This information is mandatory and will be kept on file at the local child support agency.

Top of page 2, box on left side: Print the names of the petitioner/plaintiff, respondent/defendant, and other parent in this box. Use the same names listed on page 1.

Top of page 2, box on right side: Print your court case number in this box. Use the same case number as on page 1, second box, right side.

You are required to complete information about yourself. If you know information about the other person, you may also fill in what you know about him or her.

5. If you are the father in this case, list your full name in this space. See instructions for a–g under item 6 below.
6. If you are the mother in this case, list your full name in this space.
  - a. List your date of birth.
  - b. Write your social security number.
  - c. List the street address, city, state, and zip code where you live.
  - d. List the street address, city, state, and zip code where you want your mail sent, if different from the address where you live.
  - e. Write your driver's license number and the state where it was issued.
  - f. List the telephone number where you live.
  - g. Indicate whether you are employed, not employed, self-employed, or by checking the appropriate box. If you are employed, write the name, street address, city, state, zip code, and telephone number where you work.
7. If there is a restraining order, protective order, or nondisclosure order, check this box.
  - a. Check the box beside each person who is protected by the restraining order.
  - b. Check the box beside the parent who is restrained.
  - c. Write the date the restraining order expires. See the restraining order, protective order, or nondisclosure order for this date.

If you are in fear of domestic violence, you may want to ask the court for a restraining order, protective order, or nondisclosure order.

You must type or print your name, fill in the date, and sign the *Child Support Case Registry Form* under penalty of perjury. When you sign under penalty of perjury, you are stating that the information you have provided is true and correct.

**INCOME WITHHOLDING FOR SUPPORT**

- INCOME WITHHOLDING ORDER/NOTICE FOR SUPPORT (IWO)**
- AMENDED IWO**
- ONE-TIME ORDER/NOTICE FOR LUMP SUM PAYMENT**
- TERMINATION OF IWO**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Support Enforcement (CSE) Agency  Court  Attorney  Private Individual/Entity (Check One)

**NOTE:** This IWO must be regular on its face. Under certain circumstances you must reject this IWO and return it to the sender (see IWO instructions [www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/income-withholding-for-support-instructions](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/income-withholding-for-support-instructions)). If you receive this document from someone other than a state or tribal CSE agency or a court, a copy of the underlying support order must be attached.

State/Tribe/Territory \_\_\_\_\_ Remittance ID (include w/payment) \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/County/Dist./Tribe \_\_\_\_\_ Order ID \_\_\_\_\_  
 Private Individual/Entity \_\_\_\_\_ Case ID \_\_\_\_\_

Employer/Income Withholder's Name _____ Employer/Income Withholder's Address _____ _____ _____ Employer/Income Withholder's FEIN _____ Child(ren)'s Name(s) (Last, First, Middle) _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____	RE: _____	Employee/Obligor's Name (Last, First, Middle) _____ Employee/Obligor's Social Security Number _____ Employee/Obligor's Date of Birth _____ Custodial Party/Obligee's Name (Last, First, Middle) _____ <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%; height: 100%; margin-top: 20px;"></div>
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**ORDER INFORMATION:** This document is based on the support order from \_\_\_\_\_ (State/Tribe).

You are required by law to deduct these amounts from the employee/obligor's income until further notice.

- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Per \_\_\_\_\_ current child support
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Per \_\_\_\_\_ past-due child support - **Arrears greater than 12 weeks?**  Yes  No
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Per \_\_\_\_\_ current cash medical support
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Per \_\_\_\_\_ past-due cash medical support
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Per \_\_\_\_\_ current spousal support
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Per \_\_\_\_\_ past-due spousal support
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Per \_\_\_\_\_ other (must specify) \_\_\_\_\_

for a **Total Amount to Withhold** of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_

**AMOUNTS TO WITHHOLD:** You do not have to vary your pay cycle to be in compliance with the *Order Information*. If your pay cycle does not match the ordered payment cycle, withhold one of the following amounts:

- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per weekly pay period                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per semimonthly pay period (twice a month)
  - \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per biweekly pay period (every two weeks) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per monthly pay period
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Lump Sum Payment:** Do not stop any existing IWO unless you receive a termination order.

Document Tracking ID \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Employee/Obligor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

Case Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_ Order Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_

**REMITTANCE INFORMATION:** If the employee/obligor's principal place of employment is \_\_\_\_\_ (State/Tribe), you must begin withholding no later than the first pay period that occurs \_\_\_\_\_ days after the date of \_\_\_\_\_. Send payment within \_\_\_\_\_ business days of the pay date. If you cannot withhold the full amount of support for any or all orders for this employee/obligor, withhold \_\_\_\_\_ % of disposable income for all orders. If the obligor is a non-employee, obtain withholding limits from Supplemental Information. If the employee/obligor's principal place of employment is not \_\_\_\_\_ (State/Tribe), obtain withholding limitations, time requirements, and any allowable employer fees from the jurisdiction of the employee/obligor's principal place of employment. State-specific withholding limit information is available at [www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/state-income-withholding-contacts-and-program-requirements](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/state-income-withholding-contacts-and-program-requirements). For tribe-specific contacts, payment addresses, and withholding limitations, please contact the tribe at [www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/programs/css/tribal\\_agency\\_contacts\\_printable\\_pdf.pdf](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/programs/css/tribal_agency_contacts_printable_pdf.pdf) or [https://www.bia.gov/tribalmmap/DataDotGovSamples/tld\\_map.html](https://www.bia.gov/tribalmmap/DataDotGovSamples/tld_map.html).

For electronic payment requirements and centralized payment collection and disbursement facility information [State Disbursement Unit (SDU)], see [www.acf.hhs.gov/css/employers/employer-responsibilities/payments](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/employers/employer-responsibilities/payments).

Include the Remittance ID with the payment and if necessary this locator code: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Remit payment to</b>	<u>California State Disbursement Unit</u>	(SDU/Tribal Order Payee)
at	P.O. Box 989067, West Sacramento, CA 95798-9067	(SDU/Tribal Payee Address)

**Return to Sender (Completed by Employer/Income Withholder).** Payment must be directed to an SDU in accordance with sections 466(b)(5) and (6) of the Social Security Act or Tribal Payee (see Payments to SDU below). If payment is not directed to an SDU/Tribal Payee or this IWO is not regular on its face, you *must* check this box and return the IWO to the sender.

If Required by State or Tribal Law:	
Signature of Judge/Issuing Official:	_____
Print Name of Judge/Issuing Official:	_____
Title of Judge/Issuing Official:	_____
Date of Signature:	_____

If the employee/obligor works in a state or for a tribe that is different from the state or tribe that issued this order, a copy of this IWO must be provided to the employee/obligor.

If checked, the employer/income withholder must provide a copy of this form to the employee/obligor.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR EMPLOYERS/INCOME WITHHOLDERS**

State-specific contact and withholding information can be found on the Federal Employer Services website located at [www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/state-income-withholding-contacts-and-program-requirements](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/state-income-withholding-contacts-and-program-requirements).

Employers/income withholders may use OCSE's Child Support Portal (<https://ocsp.acf.hhs.gov/csp/>) to provide information about employees who are eligible to receive a lump sum payment, have terminated employment, and to provide contacts, addresses, and other information about their company.

**Priority:** Withholding for support has priority over any other legal process under State law against the same income (section 466(b)(7) of the Social Security Act). If a federal tax levy is in effect, please notify the sender.

**Combining Payments:** When remitting payments to an SDU or tribal CSE agency, you may combine withheld amounts from more than one employee/obligor's income in a single payment. You must, however, separately identify each employee/obligor's portion of the payment.

**Payments To SDU:** You must send child support payments payable by income withholding to the appropriate SDU or to a tribal CSE agency. If this IWO instructs you to send a payment to an entity other than an SDU (e.g., payable to the custodial party, court, or attorney), you must check the box above and return this notice to the sender. Exception: If this IWO was sent by a court, attorney, or private individual/entity and the initial order was entered before January 1, 1994 or the order was issued by a tribal CSE agency, you must follow the "Remit payment to" instructions on this form.

Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Employee/Obligor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

Case Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_ Order Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reporting the Pay Date:** You must report the pay date when sending the payment. The pay date is the date on which the amount was withheld from the employee/obligor's wages. You must comply with the law of the state (or tribal law if applicable) of the employee/obligor's principal place of employment regarding time periods within which you must implement the withholding and forward the support payments.

**Multiple IWOs:** If there is more than one IWO against this employee/obligor and you are unable to fully honor all IWOs due to federal, state, or tribal withholding limits, you must honor all IWOs to the greatest extent possible, giving priority to current support before payment of any past-due support. Follow the state or tribal law/procedure of the employee/obligor's principal place of employment to determine the appropriate allocation method.

**Lump Sum Payments:** You may be required to notify a state or tribal CSE agency of upcoming lump sum payments to this employee/obligor such as bonuses, commissions, or severance pay. Contact the sender to determine if you are required to report and/or withhold lump sum payments.

**Liability:** If you have any doubts about the validity of this IWO, contact the sender. If you fail to withhold income from the employee/obligor's income as the IWO directs, you are liable for both the accumulated amount you should have withheld and any penalties set by state or tribal law/procedure.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Anti-discrimination:** You are subject to a fine determined under state or tribal law for discharging an employee/obligor from employment, refusing to employ, or taking disciplinary action against an employee/obligor because of this IWO.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Withholding Limits:** You may not withhold more than the lesser of: 1) the amounts allowed by the Federal Consumer Credit Protection Act (CCPA) [15 USC §1673 (b)]; or 2) the amounts allowed by the law of the state of the employee/obligor's principal place of employment, if the place of employment is in a state; or the tribal law of the employee/obligor's principal place of employment if the place of employment is under tribal jurisdiction. Disposable income is the net income after mandatory deductions such as: state, federal, local taxes; Social Security taxes; statutory pension contributions; and Medicare taxes. The federal limit is 50% of the disposable income if the obligor is supporting another family and 60% of the disposable income if the obligor is not supporting another family. However, those limits increase 5% --to 55% and 65% --if the arrears are greater than 12 weeks. If permitted by the state or tribe, you may deduct a fee for administrative costs. The combined support amount and fee may not exceed the limit indicated in this section.

Depending upon applicable state or tribal law, you may need to consider amounts paid for health care premiums in determining disposable income and applying appropriate withholding limits.

**Arrears Greater Than 12 Weeks?** If the *Order Information* section does not indicate that the arrears are greater than 12 weeks, then the employer should calculate the CCPA limit using the lower percentage.

**Supplemental Information:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Employee/Obligor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

Case Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_ Order Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT TERMINATION OR INCOME STATUS:** If this employee/obligor never worked for you or you are no longer withholding income for this employee/obligor, you must promptly notify the CSE agency and/or the sender by returning this form to the address listed in the contact information below:

This person has never worked for this employer nor received periodic income.

This person no longer works for this employer nor receives periodic income.

Please provide the following information for the employee/obligor:

Termination date: \_\_\_\_\_ Last known telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Last known address: \_\_\_\_\_

Final payment date to SDU/Tribal Payee: \_\_\_\_\_ Final payment amount: \_\_\_\_\_

New employer's name: \_\_\_\_\_

New employer's address: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**To Employer/Income Withholder:** If you have questions, contact \_\_\_\_\_ (issuer name)

by telephone: \_\_\_\_\_, by fax: \_\_\_\_\_, by email or website: \_\_\_\_\_

Send termination/income status notice and other correspondence to: \_\_\_\_\_ (issuer address).

**To Employee/Obligor:** If the employee/obligor has questions, contact \_\_\_\_\_ (issuer name)

by telephone: \_\_\_\_\_, by fax: \_\_\_\_\_, by email or website: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT:** The person completing this form is advised that the information may be shared with the employee/obligor.

**Encryption Requirements:**

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## INCOME WITHHOLDING FOR SUPPORT - Instructions

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The Income Withholding for Support (IWO) is the OMB-approved form used for income withholding in:

- tribal, intrastate, and interstate cases enforced under Title IV-D of the Social Security Act
- all child support orders initially issued in the state on or after January 1, 1994, and
- all child support orders initially issued (or modified) in the state before January 1, 1994 if arrearages occur.

This form is the standard format prescribed by the Secretary in accordance with section 466(b)(6)(a)(ii) of the Social Security Act. **Except as noted, the following information is required and must be included.**

### Please note:

- For the purpose of this IWO form and these instructions, "state" is defined as a state or territory.
- Dos and don'ts on using this form are found at [www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/using-the-income-withholding-for-support-form-dos-and-donts](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/using-the-income-withholding-for-support-form-dos-and-donts).

### COMPLETED BY SENDER:

- 1a. **Income Withholding Order/Notice for Support (IWO).** Check the box if this is an initial IWO.
- 1b. **Amended IWO.** Check the box to indicate that this form amends a previous IWO. Any changes to an IWO must be done through an amended IWO.
- 1c. **One-Time Order/Notice For Lump Sum Payment.** Check the box when this IWO is to attach a one-time collection of a lump sum payment after receiving notification from an employer/income withholder or other source. When this box is checked, enter the amount in field 14, Lump Sum Payment, in the *Amounts to Withhold* section. Additional IWOs must be issued to collect subsequent lump sum payments.
- 1d. **Termination of IWO.** Check the box to stop income withholding on a child support order. Complete all applicable identifying information to aid the employer/income withholder in terminating the correct IWO.
- 1e. **Date.** Date this form is completed and/or signed.
- 1f. **Child Support Enforcement (CSE) Agency, Court, Attorney, Private Individual/Entity (Check One).** Check the appropriate box to indicate which entity is sending the IWO. If this IWO is **not** completed by a state or tribal CSE agency, the sender should contact the CSE agency (see [www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/css/resource/state-income-withholding-contacts-and-program-requirements](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/css/resource/state-income-withholding-contacts-and-program-requirements)) to determine if the CSE agency needs a copy of this form to facilitate payment processing.

### NOTE TO EMPLOYER/INCOME WITHHOLDER:

This IWO must be regular on its face. The IWO must be rejected and returned to sender under the following circumstances:

- IWO instructs the employer/income withholder to send a payment to an entity other than a state disbursement unit (for example, payable to the custodial party, court, or attorney). Each state is required to operate a state disbursement unit (SDU), which is a centralized facility for collection and disbursement of child support payments. Exception: If this IWO is issued by a court, attorney, or private individual/entity and the initial child support order was entered before January 1, 1994 or the order was issued by a tribal CSE agency, the employer/income withholder must follow the payment instructions on the form.
- Form does not contain all information necessary for the employer to comply with the withholding.
- Form is altered or contains invalid information.

- Amount to withhold is not a dollar amount.
- Sender has not used the OMB-approved form for the IWO.
- A copy of the underlying order is required and not included.

If you receive this document from an attorney or private individual/entity, a copy of the underlying support order containing a provision authorizing income withholding must be attached.

#### COMPLETED BY SENDER:

- 1g. **State/Tribe/Territory.** Name of state or tribe sending this form. This must be a governmental entity of the state or a tribal organization authorized by a tribal government to operate a CSE program. If you are a tribe submitting this form on behalf of another tribe, complete field 1i.
- 1h. **Remittance ID (include w/payment).** Identifier that employers/income withholders must include when sending payments for this IWO. The Remittance ID is entered as the case identifier on the electronic funds transfer/electronic data interchange (EFT/EDI) record.

#### NOTE TO EMPLOYER/INCOME WITHHOLDER:

The employer/income withholder must use the Remittance ID when remitting payments so the SDU or tribe can identify and apply the payment correctly. The Remittance ID is entered as the case identifier on the EFT/EDI record.

#### COMPLETED BY SENDER:

- 1i. **City/County/Dist./Tribe.** Optional field for the name of the city, county, or district sending this form. If entered, this must be a government entity of the state or the name of the tribe authorized by a tribal government to operate a CSE program for which this form is being sent. If a tribe is submitting this form on behalf of another tribe, enter the name of that tribe.
- 1j. **Order ID.** Unique identifier associated with a specific child support obligation. It could be a court case number, docket number, or other identifier designated by the sender.
- 1k. **Private Individual/Entity.** Name of the private individual/entity or non-IV-D tribal CSE organization sending this form.
- 1l. **Case ID.** Unique identifier assigned to a state or tribal CSE case. In a state IV-D case as defined at 45 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 305.1, this is the identifier reported to the Federal Case Registry (FCR). One IWO must be issued for each IV-D case and must use the unique CSE Agency Case ID. For tribes, this would be either the FCR identifier or other applicable identifier.

Fields 2 and 3 refer to the employee/obligor's employer/income withholder and specific case information.

- 2a. **Employer/Income Withholder's Name.** Name of employer or income withholder.
- 2b. **Employer/Income Withholder's Address.** Employer/income withholder's mailing address including street/PO box, city, state, and zip code. (This may differ from the employee/obligor's work site.) If the employer/income withholder is a federal government agency, the IWO should be sent to the address listed under Federal Agency Income Withholding Contacts and Program Information at [www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/federal-agency-iwo-and-medical-contact-information](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/federal-agency-iwo-and-medical-contact-information).
- 2c. **Employer/Income Withholder's FEIN.** Employer/income withholder's nine-digit Federal Employer Identification Number (if available).

- 3a. **Employee/Obligor's Name.** Employee/obligor's last name and first name. A middle name is **optional**.
- 3b. **Employee/Obligor's Social Security Number.** Employee/obligor's Social Security number or other taxpayer identification number.
- 3c. **Employee/Obligor's Date of Birth.** Employee/obligor's date of birth is **optional**.
- 3d. **Custodial Party/Obligee's Name.** Custodial party/obligee's last name and first name. A middle name is **optional**. Enter one custodial party/obligee's name on each IWO form. Multiple custodial parties/obligees are not to be entered on a single IWO. Issue one IWO per state IV-D case as defined at 45 CFR 305.1.
- 3e. **Child(ren)'s Name(s).** Child(ren)'s last name(s) and first name(s). A middle name(s) is **optional**. (Note: If there are more than six children for this IWO, list additional children's names and birth dates in the **Supplemental Information** section). Enter the child(ren) associated with the custodial party/obligee and employee/obligor only. Child(ren) of multiple custodial parties/obligees is not to be entered on an IWO.
- 3f. **Child(ren)'s Birth Date(s).** Date of birth for each child named.
- 3g. **Blank box.** Space for court stamps, bar codes, or other information.

**ORDER INFORMATION** – Field 4 identifies which state or tribe issued the order. Fields 5 through 12 identify the dollar amounts for specific kinds of support (taken directly from the support order) and the total amount to withhold for specific time periods.

4. **State/Tribe.** Name of the state or tribe that issued the support order.
- 5a-b. **Current Child Support.** Dollar amount to be withheld **per** the time period (for example, week, month) specified in the underlying support order.
- 6a-b. **Past-due Child Support.** Dollar amount to be withheld **per** the time period (for example, week, month) specified in the underlying support order.
- 6c. **Arrears Greater Than 12 Weeks?** The appropriate box (Yes/No) must be checked indicating whether arrears are greater than 12 weeks.
- 7a-b. **Current Cash Medical Support.** Dollar amount to be withheld **per** the time period (for example, week, month) specified in the underlying support order.
- 8a-b. **Past-due Cash Medical Support.** Dollar amount to be withheld **per** the time period (for example, week, month) specified in the underlying support order.
- 9a-b. **Current Spousal Support.** (Alimony) Dollar amount to be withheld **per** the time period (for example, week, month) specified in the underlying support order.
- 10a-b. **Past-due Spousal Support.** (Alimony) Dollar amount to be withheld **per** the time period (for example, week, month) specified in the underlying order.
- 11a-c. **Other.** Miscellaneous obligations dollar amount to be withheld **per** the time period (for example, week, month) specified in the underlying order. **Must specify** a description of the obligation (for example, court fees).
- 12a-b. **Total Amount to Withhold.** The total amount of the deductions **per** the corresponding time period. Fields 5a, 6a, 7a, 8a, 9a, 10a, and 11a should total the amount in 12a.

**NOTE TO EMPLOYER/INCOME WITHHOLDER:**

An acceptable method of determining the amount to be paid on a weekly or biweekly basis is to multiply the monthly amount due by 12 and divide that result by the number of pay periods in a year. Additional information about this topic is available in Action Transmittal 16-04, Correctly Withholding Child Support from Weekly and Biweekly Pay Cycles (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/correctly-withholding-child-support-from-weekly-and-biweekly-pay-cycles>).

**COMPLETED BY SENDER:**

**AMOUNTS TO WITHHOLD** - Fields 13a through 13d specify the dollar amount to be withheld for this IWO if the employer/income withholder's pay cycle does not correspond with field 12b.

- 13a. **Per Weekly Pay Period.** Total amount an employer/income withholder should withhold if the employee/obligor is paid weekly.
- 13b. **Per Semimonthly Pay Period.** Total amount an employer/income withholder should withhold if the employee/obligor is paid twice a month.
- 13c. **Per Biweekly Pay Period.** Total amount an employer/income withholder should withhold if the employee/obligor is paid every two weeks.
- 13d. **Per Monthly Pay Period.** Total amount an employer/income withholder should withhold if the employee/obligor is paid once a month.
- 14. **Lump Sum Payment.** Dollar amount withheld when the IWO is used to attach a lump sum payment. This field should be used when field 1c is checked.
- 15. **Document Tracking ID.** Optional unique identifier for this form assigned by the sender.

**Please Note:** Employer's Name, FEIN, Employee/Obligor's Name and SSN, Case ID, and Order ID must appear in the header on page two and subsequent pages.

**REMITTANCE INFORMATION** - Payments are forwarded to the SDU in each state, unless the initial child support order was entered by a state before January 1, 1994 and never modified, accrued arrears, or was enforced by a child support agency or by a tribal CSE agency. If the order was issued by a tribal CSE agency, the employer/income withholder must follow the remittance instructions on the form.

- 16. **State/Tribe.** Name of the state or tribe sending this document.
- 17. **Days.** Number of days after the effective date noted in field 18 in which withholding must begin according to the state or tribal laws/procedures for the employee/obligor's principal place of employment.
- 18. **Date.** Effective date of this IWO.
- 19. **Business Days.** Number of business days within which an employer/income withholder must remit amounts withheld pursuant to the state or tribal laws/procedures of the principal place of employment.
- 20. **Percentage of Disposable Income.** The percentage of disposable income that may be withheld from the employee/obligor's paycheck. It is the sender's responsibility to determine the percentage an employer/income withholder is required to withhold.

**NOTE TO EMPLOYER/INCOME WITHHOLDER:**

The employer/income withholder may not withhold more than the lesser of: the amounts allowed by the Federal Consumer Credit Protection Act [15 USC §1673(b)]; or 2) the amounts allowed by the jurisdiction of the employee/obligor's principal place of employment (i.e., the amounts allowed by state law if the employee/obligor's principal place of employment is in a state; or the amounts allowed by tribal law if the employee/obligor's principal place of employment is under tribal jurisdiction). State-specific withholding limitations, time requirements, and any allowable employer fees are available at <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/state-income-withholding-contacts-and-program-requirements>. For tribe-specific contacts, payment addresses, and withholding limitations, please contact the tribe at [www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/programs/css/tribal\\_agency\\_contacts\\_printable\\_pdf.pdf](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/programs/css/tribal_agency_contacts_printable_pdf.pdf) or [https://www.bia.gov/tribalmmap/DataDotGovSamples/tld\\_map.html](https://www.bia.gov/tribalmmap/DataDotGovSamples/tld_map.html).

A federal government agency may withhold from a variety of incomes and forms of payment, including voluntary separation incentive payments (buy-out payments), incentive pay, and cash awards. For a more complete list, see 5 CFR 581.103.

**COMPLETED BY SENDER:**

21. **State/Tribe.** Name of the state or tribe sending this document.
22. **Locator Code.** Geographic Locator Codes are standard codes for states, counties, and cities issued by the National Institute of Standards and Technology. These were formerly known as Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) codes.
23. **SDU/Tribal Order Payee.** Name of SDU (or payee specified in the underlying tribal support order) to which payments must be sent.
24. **SDU/Tribal Payee Address.** Address of the SDU (or payee specified in the underlying tribal support order) to which payments must be sent.

**COMPLETED BY EMPLOYER/INCOME WITHHOLDER:**

25. **Return to Sender Checkbox.** The employer/income withholder should check this box and return the IWO to the sender if this IWO is not payable to an SDU or Tribal Payee or this IWO is not regular on its face as indicated on page 1 of these instructions.

**COMPLETED BY SENDER IF REQUIRED BY STATE OR TRIBAL LAW:**

26. **Signature of Judge/Issuing Official.** Signature of the official authorizing this IWO.
27. **Print Name of Judge/Issuing Official.** Name of the official authorizing this IWO.
28. **Title of Judge/Issuing Official.** Title of the official authorizing this IWO.
29. **Date of Signature.** Date the judge/issuing official signs this IWO.
30. **Copy of IWO checkbox.** Check this box for all intergovernmental IWOs. If checked, the employer/income withholder is required to provide a copy of the IWO to the employee/obligor.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR EMPLOYERS/INCOME WITHHOLDERS**

The following fields refer to federal, state, or tribal laws that apply to issuing an IWO to an employer/income withholder. State- or tribal-specific information may be included only in the fields below.

**COMPLETED BY SENDER:**

31. **Liability.** Additional information on the penalty and/or citation of the penalty for an employer/income withholder who fails to comply with the IWO. The state or tribal law/procedures of the employee/obligor's principal place of employment govern the penalty.
32. **Anti-discrimination.** Additional information on the penalty and/or citation of the penalty for an employer/income withholder who discharges, refuses to employ, or disciplines an employee/obligor as a result of the IWO. The state or tribal law/procedures of the employee/obligor's principal place of employment govern the penalty.
33. **Supplemental Information.** Any state-specific information needed, such as maximum withholding percentage for nonemployees/independent contractors, fees the employer/income withholder may charge the obligor for income withholding, or children's names and DOBs if there are more than six children on this IWO. Additional information must be consistent with the requirements of the form and the instructions.

**COMPLETED BY EMPLOYER/INCOME WITHHOLDER:*****NOTIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT TERMINATION OR INCOME STATUS***

The employer must complete this section when the employee/obligor's employment is terminated, income withholding ceases, or if the employee/obligor has never worked for the employer.

- 34a-b. **Employment/Income Status Checkbox.** Check the employment/income status of the employee/obligor.
35. **Termination Date.** If applicable, date employee/obligor was terminated.
36. **Last Known Telephone Number.** Last known (home/cell/other) telephone number of the employee/obligor.
37. **Last Known Address.** Last known home/ mailing address of the employee/obligor.
38. **Final Payment Date.** Date employer sent final payment to SDU/Tribal Payee.
39. **Final Payment Amount.** Amount of final payment sent to SDU/Tribal Payee.
40. **New Employer's Name.** Name of employee's/obligor's new employer (if known).
41. **New Employer's Address.** Address of employee's/obligor's new employer (if known).

**COMPLETED BY SENDER:*****CONTACT INFORMATION***

42. **Issuer Name (Employer/Income Withholder Contact).** Name of the contact person that the employer/income withholder can call for information regarding this IWO.
43. **Issuer Telephone Number.** Telephone number of the contact person.
44. **Issuer Fax Number.** Optional fax number of the contact person.
45. **Issuer Email/Website.** Optional email or website of the contact person.
46. **Issuer Address (Termination/Income Status and Correspondence Address).** Address to

which the employer should return the Employment Termination or Income Status notice. It is also the address that the employer should use to correspond with the issuing entity.

47. **Issuer Name (Employee/Obligor Contact).** Name of the contact person that the employee/ obligor can call for information.
48. **Issuer Telephone Number.** Telephone number of the contact person.
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