

Plaintiff's name, address, and telephone no.
Plaintiff's attorney name, bar no., address, and telephone no.

Defendant's name, address, and telephone no.
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WE STATE:

1. There is no domestic violence or unequal bargaining position between the parties involved in this case.
2. Granting the relief we request would be in the best interests of any child in this case.
3. We have filed executed copies of a form advising us of the services we will not receive if this motion is granted.
4. Neither party receives public assistance for a child in this case.
5. No money is due the state because of past public assistance for a child in this case.
6. No arrearage or custody or parenting time order violation has occurred in the last 12 months in this case.
7. Neither party to this case has reopened a Friend of the Court case in the last 12 months.
8. We do not want IV-D services and have requested that any existing IV-D case be closed.
9. We understand that the Friend of the Court shall open a Friend of the Court case if a party applies for public assistance relating to a child of the parties or either party submits to the Friend of the Court a written request to reopen the Friend of the Court case.

We understand, if this case becomes a Friend of the Court case for any reason, the following requirements will apply:

1. We must cooperate fully with the Friend of the Court in establishing the case as a Friend of the Court case.
2. We must provide copies of all orders in the case to the Friend of the Court.
3. We must supply any documents that a party to a Friend of the Court case is required to supply if we have not already done so.
4. The Friend of the Court is not responsible for determining any support arrearage that is not indicated by payment made through the Michigan State Disbursement Unit (MiSDU).
5. Support is payable through the MiSDU effective the date the case becomes a Friend of the Court case.
6. The Friend of the Court may prepare and submit, Ex Parte, a support order that contains all the statutory requirements of a Michigan support order as long as the order does not contradict the existing support order.

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7. If any dispute arises between us concerning child support, custody, parenting time or change of domicile that was not addressed through the Friend of the Court, the issue will be submitted to private mediation, or upon our consent, binding arbitration, and the cost will be equally divided between us. For those parties opting out of Friend of the Court, mediation and arbitration services through the Friend of the Court will not be available.
8. We must keep accurate records regarding the direct payment of child support that is paid outside of the Friend of the Court or the MiSDU. The failure of either party to keep accurate records shall constitute a waiver of that party's right to claim any arrearage or credit regarding the child support account.

THEREFORE, we request the Court enter an order as follows:

1. Allowing us to opt out of Friend of the Court services.
2. Exempting this case from Friend of the Court enforcement, investigation, or accounting functions for custody, parenting time, or support.
3. Except where indicated below, no income withholding shall issue in this case. Support will be paid directly by the payer to the payee, and the Friend of the Court shall terminate any existing income withholding order.
 - a. Support shall be paid through the MiSDU on a case previously open with the Friend of the Court. Support shall be paid by income withholding to the extent allowed by statutes and court rules, however, the Friend of the Court is not responsible for the income withholding. The Friend of the Court shall notify the employer that it is no longer involved in the case and that any further information concerning income withholding will be provided by the parties.
 - b. Support shall be paid through the MiSDU on a new case with no prior Friend of the Court involvement. If support payments are to be made through the MiSDU by income withholding or otherwise, the Friend of the Court shall not close the Friend of the Court case until the MiSDU notifies the Friend of the Court that it has been provided with the information necessary to process the child support payments. There will be no accounting for support that is not paid through the MiSDU.

We affirm that the above statements are true to the best of our information, knowledge, and belief.

Plaintiff Signature

Date

Defendant Signature

Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me on _____, _____ County, Michigan.
Date

My commission expires: _____ Signature: _____
Date Notary Public/Deputy Court Clerk

Notary public, State of Michigan, County of _____