

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
FAMILY COURT**

In the Matter(s) of:

(Child's Name)

Case No. _____
Social File No. _____
Date of Birth _____

(Child's Name)

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Next Hearing Date: _____

JUDGE _____

DISPOSITION HEARING ORDER

This matter came before the Court on the ____ day of _____, 200___.
The following are the interested parties. (Individuals in attendance are marked in box to the left of the name.)

INTERESTED PARTIES

- _____, Mother
- _____, Father of _____
- _____, Father of _____
- _____, Father of _____
- _____, ACC
- _____, SW
- _____, GAL
- _____, Mother's Counsel
- _____, Counsel for Father _____
- _____, Counsel for Father _____
- _____, Counsel for Father _____
- _____, _____
- _____, _____
- _____, _____

The order of this court, dated _____, 200__, remains in effect and is incorporated by reference herein, except as specified below:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Predisposition Report**
 - A predisposition report was filed on the _____ day of _____, 200__ by the agency with case responsibility pursuant to D.C. Code §16-2319, 16-2107 and SCR-Neg. 20 and was considered by the Court.
 - A predisposition report was not filed by the agency, but shall be filed by on the _____ day of _____, 200__.
 - The Court hereby adopts and incorporates the Agency's Predisposition Report into the record.

- Agency Case Plan**
 - The agency case plan was filed on the ___ day of _____, 200__.
 - A case plan was not filed by the agency, but shall be filed by the ___ day of _____, 200__.
 - The Court hereby adopts and incorporates the Agency's Case Plan into the record.

- A Stipulation was entered into between the parties and accepted by the Court on the _____ day of _____, 200__, and is incorporated herein by reference.

- Findings of Fact were filed by the Court on the _____ day of _____, 200__, and are incorporated herein by reference.

BIRTH FAMILY INFORMATION

- Birth Mother
 - Name _____
 - Date Of Birth ____/____/____
 - Date Of Death ____/____/____
 - Current Address _____
 - Last Known Address _____

 - Whereabouts unknown
The Agency's **Diligent Search** Unit shall initiate a search for the birth mother and file an affidavit by the _____ day of _____, 200__, regarding efforts to locate her.

- Birth Father
 - Name _____
 - Date Of Birth ____/____/____
 - Date Of Death ____/____/____
 - Current Address _____
 - Last Known Address _____

 - Whereabouts Unknown

The Agency's **Diligent Search** Unit shall initiate a search for the birth father and file an affidavit by the _____ day of _____, 200__, regarding efforts to locate him.

- Father has not been Identified
 - An Affidavit of Denial of Knowledge of Paternity has been received from: _____
 - An Affidavit of Denial of Paternity has been received from: _____
 - A Paternity Test has been ordered:
For Whom: _____
Date of Test: ____/____/____
 - Since the identity of the birth father remains at issue, the birth mother shall appear before this Court at the next hearing to address the issue and her failure to appear may result in her arrest
- OR**
- The birth mother has completed testimony stating she cannot identify Respondent's father or provide any identifying information.

THE RESPONDENT(S) STATUS
SAFETY OF THE CHILD AND CONTRARY TO WELFARE FINDING

- The Child(ren) is/are placed as follows:**
 - The Court has determined that the Child(ren) May Remain At Home:**
 - The child(ren) was/were not removed from the home because it is safe for the child(ren) to remain at home, thus, the child(ren) has/have been **Conditionally Released** to the parent. **OR**
 - The child was removed from the home on ____/____/____, but it was safe for the child to return home under **Conditional release** on the ____ day of _____, in that:

 - The Court has determined that the Child(ren) Cannot Safely Remain At Home:**
 - The child(ren) was/were removed from the home on the ____ day of _____, 200__, and was placed:
 - In Shelter Care with a relative**
Name & relationship: _____
Address: _____
 - In Shelter Care/Foster Care/Group Home with a non-relative:**
 - In Conditional Release with a relative**
Name & relationship: _____
Address: _____
 - In Conditional Release with a non-relative**
- AND**
- The Court has determined that the child(ren) cannot safely remain in the home for the following reasons:**

Abusive or threatening conduct toward the child(ren) in that:

Unexplained illness or injury in that:

Mental or physical impairment of the parent/caretaker in that:

Other:

In evaluating the harm that may result from placement out of the home, the Court has considered:

- The child(ren)'s attitude/adjustment toward out of the home placement.
- The child(ren)'s bond with the parent(s)/guardian(s)/custodian(s).
- The disruption to the child(ren)'s school and social relationships.

THEREFORE, it is the finding of this Court that it would be **Contrary to the Welfare of the Child** to **return home**.

EFFORTS/SERVICES TO RETURN HOME AND REASONABLE EFFORTS FINDING

The agency has made the following efforts to make it possible for the child to return safely to the home (**specify in detail**):

Due to incarceration or extraordinary circumstance(s) which include:

the agency has been unable to provide services to the:

- Birth Mother
- Birth Father,

THEREFORE, the fact that **no reasonable efforts were made is hereby deemed reasonable.**

Based upon the evidence presented at the hearing, the Court finds that the agency

- Has**
- Has Not**

made reasonable efforts to make it possible for the child to return safely to the home.

- ORDERED** that services shall be provided to the parent(s)/guardian(s)/custodian(s) to facilitate a return home.

OR

- No Reasonable Efforts Required**

The Government has presented evidence in support of a finding that no reasonable efforts are required to reunify the Respondent and his birth parent(s). The Court further finds that the child's removal is necessary, regardless of any services that could be provided to the child or his/her family. Moreover, continuation of the child in the home would be contrary to the welfare of the child because:

- Birth Mother
- Birth Father
- Other _____
 - Subjected a sibling of the child, or another child to cruelty, abandonment, torture, chronic abuse or sexual abuse;
 - Committed the murder or voluntary manslaughter of a sibling of a child who is the subject of the petition, or another child;
 - Aided, abetted, attempted, conspired or solicited to commit the murder or voluntary manslaughter of a sibling of a child who is the subject of the petition, or another child; or
 - Committed an assault that constitutes a felony against the child who is the subject of a petition, a sibling of such a child or another child;

OR

- Parental rights were involuntarily terminated through a Motion to Terminate Parental Rights or through the waiver of consent in an adoption on the ____ day of _____, 200__.

(Name of Court)

OR

- The child(ren) have been abandoned by the birth parent in that:

- THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED** that the agency **does not have to make reasonable efforts** to reunify the child with the family.

DISPOSITION & PLACEMENT ORDER

The Court adopts the agency's disposition recommendation:

OR

The Court ordered disposition differs from that recommended by the agency for the following reasons:

The estimated timeframe to accomplish the stated goal is:

PLACEMENT

ORDERED that the child shall be placed in:

PROTECTIVE SUPERVISION (See Attachment B)

ORDERED that the child(ren), _____ shall be placed under the

PROTECTIVE SUPERVISION of _____, and the following conditions or restrictions shall apply:

PRIVATE PLACEMENT (not foster home) (See Attachment C)

ORDERED that the child, _____ shall be placed in the home

of _____, as a **PRIVATE PLACEMENT** and the following conditions or restrictions shall apply:

COMMITMENT

ORDERED that the child, _____, shall be **COMMITTED** to the care of

The Child and Family Services Agency, for a period not to exceed two (2) years and the following conditions or restrictions shall apply:

- MEDICAL, PSYCHIATRIC, OR TREATMENT FACILITY, pursuant to**
 - § 16-2315
 - § 16-2320(a)(4)
- ORDERED** that the child, _____, shall be placed in a **FACILITY** _____ (recommended by CFSA) for treatment of: _____.

ORDER OF COURT

DISPOSITION GOALS: (Concurrent goals may be set until the first permanency hearing.)

- Reunification with _____
- Adoption by _____
- Custody with _____
- Guardianship with _____

EXCEPTIONS TO FOUR PERMANENCY GOALS ABOVE:

- Alternative Planned Permanent Living Arrangement with:
 - A Relative _____
 - Foster Parent _____
 - Independent Living Program _____
 - Group Home _____
 - Other _____

Reasons for Alternative Planned Permanent Living Arrangement are (specify in detail):

SERVICES TO THE FAMILY, CARETAKER & CHILD

- See **Attachment A** for Services. There are ____ attachment A's, one for each person to whom services are ordered.
- Prior order for services remains in effect **except:**
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____

VISITATION

Visitation between child(ren) and _____ shall be

Supervised by _____
 Unsupervised

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 Supervised by _____
 Unsupervised

Conditions of Visitation:

(Parent(s) must comply with all of conditions. Failure to comply with conditions may result in modification of visitation order.)

Visitation between _____ is **PROHIBITED** for the following reasons _____

NEXT HEARING DATE

The Next Scheduled Court Event Will be:

Permanency Hearing
 Other _____

Next Hearing Date: ____/____/____

Time: _____ a.m./p.m.

Judge: _____

Place: Courtroom _____ of the Main Courthouse at 500 Indiana Ave.,
NW, Washington, DC 20001

Jurisdiction expires: _____.

DATE

ASSOCIATE JUDGE/ MAGISTRATE JUDGE