

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
FAMILY COURT  
Domestic Relations Branch**

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT PLAINTIFF'S NAME

\_\_\_\_\_ DRB \_\_\_\_\_

PLAINTIFF,

RELATED CASES:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

v.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT DEFENDANT'S NAME

DEFENDANT.

**MOTION TO MODIFY**  **VISITATION**  **CUSTODY**  
**Does the Other Party Consent to this Motion?**  **yes**  **no**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am the  PLAINTIFF  DEFENDANT in this case.  
PRINT YOUR NAME

**1. A custody order and/or visitation order was previously entered in this case on**

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ORDER

**2. This Court is the proper place to decide this Motion because this Court entered the original custody and/or visitation order, AND: [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]**

- The child(ren) still live(s) in the District of Columbia.
- At least one parent or person acting as a parent still lives in the District of Columbia.
- The child(ren) has/have a significant connection to the District of Columbia and there is sufficient information about the child(ren) available in the District.

**3. There has been a substantial and material change in circumstances since the time the existing order was established. The change in circumstances is:** [CHECK ONE]

- The child(ren) now live(s) with me.
- The child(ren) no longer live(s) with me.
- Other: [DESCRIBE THE CHANGE]

**4. Because of the substantial and material change in circumstances, the existing order should be changed. The new order should say:** [DESCRIBE THE CHANGE YOU ARE REQUESTING]

**5. The modification I am requesting is in the child(ren)'s best interests because:** [EXPLAIN WHY THE CHANGE YOU ARE REQUESTING IS BEST FOR THE CHILD(REN)]

## Request for Relief

**I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST that the Court:** [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]

- Grant my request to modify visitation and/or custody.
- Enter an Order setting forth a revised visitation schedule and/or custodial arrangement that is in the best interests of the minor child(ren).

**I ALSO REQUEST that the Court award any other relief it considers fair and proper.**

I  Do  Do NOT request an oral hearing in front of the judge on this motion.

I solemnly swear or affirm under criminal penalties for the making of a false statement that I have read the foregoing Motion to Modify Visitation and/or Custody and that the factual statements made in it are true to the best of my personal knowledge, information and belief.

Respectfully Submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGN YOUR NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

\_\_\_\_\_  
TELEPHONE NUMBER

\_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL ADDRESS

**SUBSTITUTE ADDRESS: CHECK BOX IF YOU HAVE WRITTEN SOMEONE ELSE'S ADDRESS BECAUSE YOU FEAR HARASSMENT OR HARM.**

**If by consent:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
OTHER PARTY'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

**POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF MOTION  
TO MODIFY CUSTODY OR VISTATION**

In support of this Motion, I refer to:

1. D.C. SCR-Dom. Rel.R. 7(b) (2009).
2. D.C. Code §§16-914, 16-914.01 and 16-4602.02 (2009).
3. The record in this case.
4. The attached supporting document(s), *if any*.

[LIST ANY DOCUMENTS THAT YOU ARE ATTACHING]

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PLAINTIFF,

v.

\_\_\_\_\_  
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DEFENDANT.

**RULE 5  
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

**I certify that I served a copy of my Motion to Modify Visitation and/or Custody to the other party or the other party's attorney on \_\_\_\_\_.**  
DATE OF SERVICE

**The papers were delivered:** [CHECK ONE]

**by handing them to the other party.**

**by first class mail:**

**by fax:**

**by leaving a copy at the other party's workplace** with a clerk or person in charge, or because there was no one in charge, by leaving it in a conspicuous place:

**by leaving a copy at the other party's home** with a person of suitable age and discretion who lives there:

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME OF PERSON SERVED WITH PAPERS

\_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS/FAX #

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGN YOUR NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

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Plaintiff,	:	
v.	:	_____ DRB _____
Defendant.	:	Judge: _____
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**ORDER**

Upon consideration of the Motion to \_\_\_\_\_ filed by the  
Plaintiff/Defendant and any opposition thereto, it is, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
20\_\_\_\_, HEREBY

ORDERED, that the Motion is granted; and it is further

ORDERED, that \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
JUDGE

cc:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Plaintiff's name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Plaintiff's address

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant's name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant's address

\_\_\_\_\_