

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

**In the Matter(s) of:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Child's Name)

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Social File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
X-Ref Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Next Hearing Type/Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Associate/Magistrate Judge \_\_\_\_\_

**DISPOSITION HEARING ORDER**

This matter came before the Court on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_. Mark individuals in attendance with check in box to the left of the name.

**PARTIES AND COUNSEL**

<input type="checkbox"/> _____, Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> _____, Mother's Counsel
<input type="checkbox"/> _____, Father _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____, Father's Counsel
<input type="checkbox"/> _____, Respondent	<input type="checkbox"/> _____, GAL
<input type="checkbox"/> _____, SW	<input type="checkbox"/> _____, AAG

**OTHER PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE**

<input type="checkbox"/> _____, _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____, _____
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**NOTICE TO FOSTER/PRE-ADOPTIVE PARENT/KINSHIP CARETAKER**

Did Foster/Pre-adoptive parent/Kinship caretaker receive written notice of the hearing from CFSA?

Yes  No

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

The child(ren) was/were removed on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

**Predisposition Report**

- A predisposition report was filed by the Agency with case responsibility pursuant to D.C. Code §16-2319 and SCR-Neg. 20 and was considered by the Court.
- A predisposition report was not filed by the Agency, but shall be filed by \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

**Agency Case Plan**

- The Agency case plan was filed and was considered by the Court.
- A case plan was not filed by the Agency, but shall be filed by \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

**Stipulation/Trial**

- A Stipulation was entered into between the parties and accepted by the Court on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, adjudicating the child(ren) neglected, and it is incorporated herein by reference.
- The child was adjudicated neglected on \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_. Oral findings of fact were made on the record by the Court and are incorporated herein by reference.
- Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law were filed by the Court on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, and are incorporated herein by reference.

**Permanency hearing deadline**

The **date of entry into foster care** is (select earlier date):

- 60 days from child(ren)'s removal from home, **or**
- date of adjudication \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

The first permanency hearing must be held by \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_. (12 months from date of entry into foster care)

**FAMILY INFORMATION**

Birth Mother (Name) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Date of death \_\_\_\_\_  
 Current/ Last known address \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Father (Name) \_\_\_\_\_ Child(ren)'s Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Date of death \_\_\_\_\_  
 Current/ Last known address \_\_\_\_\_

The Government shall initiate a search for the  birth mother  birth father and file an affidavit(s) by \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, regarding efforts to locate her/him and/or effectuate service.

**PATERNITY**

- Parentage Attachment D was completed on \_\_\_\_\_, and no amendments are required; or
- Parentage Attachment D is appended hereto.

**INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT NOTICE**

The Court has inquired whether any party has reason to believe that \_\_\_\_\_ is/are subject to the ICWA and the following has been determined:

- The Court has insufficient information to find that ICWA does apply.
- ICWA does not apply based upon a full inquiry having been made.
- Information suggesting that ICWA may apply has been provided to the Court, therefore the Agency will provide notice to the appropriate parties and entities.
- Notice was provided by the Agency, and the child(ren)  is/are not eligible for membership in a recognized Indian tribe or  more information is required to make a determination
- \_\_\_\_\_ is/are documented as a member of a recognized Indian tribe or is/are eligible for membership in a recognized Indian tribe and is therefore subject to the ICWA.

**CONTRARY TO WELFARE FINDING**

**The Court finds that it is not safe for the child(ren) to return to the home and therefore, that return to the home would be contrary to the welfare of the child(ren) based upon the following:**

- Physical/sexual abuse of the child(ren) or threatening conduct toward the child(ren)
- Neglect or maltreatment of the child(ren)
- Unexplained illness or injury
- Mental or physical impairment of the parent/caretaker, incarceration or hospitalization
- Other

Describe in detail what conditions currently exist that prevent each child's safe return to the home:

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**REASONABLE EFFORTS FINDING**

- The Court hereby incorporates by reference the reasonable efforts findings made at the initial hearing on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ **AND**
- The Agency has made the following efforts since the initial hearing for the child to return safely to the home (**specify in detail**):

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**THEREFORE**, based upon the evidence presented at the hearing as described above, the Court finds that the Agency

**Has made reasonable efforts to make it possible for the child(ren) to return safely to the home.**  
**OR**

**Has Not made reasonable efforts to make it possible for the child to return safely to the home,** for the following reasons:

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**REASONABLE EFFORTS NOT REQUIRED FOR AGGRAVATED CIRCUMSTANCES OR CRIMINAL CONDUCT**

The Government has presented sufficient evidence in support of a finding that no reasonable efforts are required to reunify the Respondent and his/her parent(s) based upon the following:

- Mother                       Father
  - Subjected a child who is the subject of a petition before the Family Division of the Superior Court, a sibling of such child, or another child to cruelty, abandonment, torture, chronic abuse, or sexual abuse;
  - Committed the murder or voluntary manslaughter of a sibling of the child who is the subject of a petition before the Family Court or another child, or of any other member of the household of the parent;
  - Aided, abetted, attempted, conspired, or solicited to commit the murder or voluntary manslaughter of a child who is the subject of a petition before the Family Division of the

Superior Court, a sibling of such child, or another child, or of any other member of the household of the parent;

Committed an assault that constitutes a felony against the child who is the subject of a petition before the Family Division of the Superior Court, a sibling of such a child, or another child; or

Is required to register with a sex offender registry under section 113(a) of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Registry, approved July 27, 2006 (120 Stat. 593; 42 U.S.C. § 6913(a))

The parent's parental rights have been terminated involuntarily with respect to a sibling on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, in \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Court).

**Therefore, it is the finding of this Court that:**

**No Reasonable Efforts are required to be made to reunify the child(ren) with**  
 **Mother**  **Father,**

**THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED that an expedited permanency hearing be set within 30 days of this date.**

**PLACEMENT ORDER**

**It is hereby ORDERED** that the child(ren) shall be placed in:

**PROTECTIVE SUPERVISION (See Attachment B2)**

The child(ren), \_\_\_\_\_ shall be placed under the **PROTECTIVE SUPERVISION** of \_\_\_\_\_, and the following restrictions shall apply:

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

**Based upon the evidence presented and representations made, the Court finds that placement under protective supervision as stated above will provide safe and appropriate care for the child(ren).**

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

The child(ren), \_\_\_\_\_ shall be placed in the home of \_\_\_\_\_, as a **PRIVATE PLACEMENT** and the following conditions or restrictions shall apply:

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

Based upon the evidence presented and representations made, the Court finds that placement under private placement as stated above will provide safe and appropriate care for the child(ren).

**COMMITMENT**

The child(ren), \_\_\_\_\_, shall be **COMMITTED** to the custody, care and control of **The Child and Family Services Agency**, for a period not to exceed two (2) years.

Based upon the Agency's representations, the Court hereby finds that the Agency  **made**  **did not make** reasonable efforts to place the siblings together.

**DISPOSITION ORDER**

The Court adopts the Agency's disposition recommendation **OR**

The Court ordered disposition differs from that recommended by the Agency as follows:

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

**PERMANENCY GOALS**

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

Reunification of \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Achievement \_\_\_\_\_

Adoption of \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Achievement \_\_\_\_\_

Guardianship of \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Achievement \_\_\_\_\_

Custody of \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Achievement \_\_\_\_\_

A concurrent goal of \_\_\_\_\_ is ordered for \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of achievement \_\_\_\_\_

**EXCEPTIONS TO FOUR PERMANENCY GOALS ABOVE:**

Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement for \_\_\_\_\_ with:

A Relative \_\_\_\_\_

Foster Parent \_\_\_\_\_

Independent Living Program \_\_\_\_\_

Group Home \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Compelling Reasons eliminating other goals and justification that Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement is in the child(ren)'s best interests (specify in detail):

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

The date for achievement of the APPLA permanency goal is the child(ren)'s 21<sup>st</sup> birthday, unless otherwise noted.

**ORDERS**

- \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

There are \_\_\_\_ Attachment As appended hereto.

**EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

Based upon the Educational Checklist for Judicial Officers, an inquiry has been made into the child(ren)'s educational placement and the child(ren)'s educational needs and strengths.

- Yes
- No

Has an educational decision-maker (other than the parent) been appointed?

- Yes \_\_\_\_\_(name)
- No

The child is 18 years of age or over and is responsible for making his/her own educational decisions.

Attachment E - Order Authorizing Access to Educational Records – has been completed.

**CASA APPOINTMENT**

Is a request being made for the appointment of a Court Appointed Special Advocate at this hearing:

- Yes (a referral will be made to the Presiding Judge).
- No.

**RELATIVE RESOURCES**

It is hereby **ORDERED** that the parents shall provide detailed information concerning potential relative placements to the Agency no later than \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

It is hereby **ORDERED** that after receipt of required documentation, the Agency shall conduct a home study, and a local records checks and child protection clearances on each adult resident in the home of:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

ICPC application shall be initiated by \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Agency shall provide progress report on status of ICPC process within 30 days after the application is initiated/completed and every 30 days thereafter until approval or denial is received. **The first progress report shall be filed by \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.**

**VISITATION**

Visitation between child(ren) and \_\_\_\_\_ shall be  
 Unsupervised  
 Supervised by CFSA or its designee  
 Visitation may become unsupervised at the discretion of the social worker and GAL  
 Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

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 Unsupervised  
 Supervised by CFSA or its designee  
 Visitation may become unsupervised at the discretion of the social worker and GAL  
 Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

Visitation between siblings, \_\_\_\_\_, shall be  
 Unsupervised  
 Supervised by CFSA or its designee

Visitation between \_\_\_\_\_ is **SUSPENDED** for the following reasons  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**JURISDICTION**

Jurisdiction expires: \_\_\_\_\_.

**NEXT HEARING DATE**

The next scheduled Court hearing will be:  
 Review of Disposition Hearing  Permanency Hearing  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Report Due: \_\_\_\_\_

**Next Hearing Date:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
**Time:** \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m. **Hearing duration:** \_\_\_\_\_ hour  
**Judge:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Place:** Courtroom \_\_\_\_\_ of the Main Courthouse at 500 Indiana Ave., NW,  
Washington, DC 20001

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**ASSOCIATE JUDGE/ MAGISTRATE JUDGE**