

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

**ORDER FOR CHANGE IN PLACEMENT FROM  
CONDITIONAL RELEASE TO SHELTER CARE**

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**

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| <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**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> _____, _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> _____, _____ |
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A Motion for Revocation of Conditional Release  has  has not been filed.

**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.

**SHELTER CARE DETERMINATION**

The child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_ was/were placed in conditional release with \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ .

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

The Government is requesting shelter care for the following named child(ren): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Based upon the information before the Court, including any evidence presented and argument of all counsel, the Court concludes:

Shelter care is required for the child(ren) named as follows: \_\_\_\_\_, in accordance with

D.C. Code §16-2310:

To protect the person of the child, or

No person or agency is currently available to provide supervision and care for the child, and the child appears unable to care for himself and that no alternative resources/arrangements are currently available to the family to adequately safeguard the child without requiring removal.

A Family Team Meeting was convened on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, and

no alternative placements were identified, or

potential alternative placements are being notified and evaluated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §671(a), as amended.

A Family Team Meeting will be convened on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, and alternatives to shelter care placement will be sought, notified and evaluated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §671(a), as amended.

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.

**PLACEMENT ORDER**

It is hereby **ORDERED** that the child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_ shall be placed in **SHELTER CARE** and the following conditions or restrictions shall apply:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

**CONTRARY TO WELFARE FINDING**

**The Court finds that it is not safe for the children to remain in the home and therefore, that continuation in 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) in that:
- Neglect or maltreatment of the child(ren) in that:
- Unexplained illness or injury in that:
- Mental or physical impairment of the parent/caretaker, incarceration or hospitalization in that:
- Violation of conditions of protective supervision:
- Other:

Describe details in support of reasons that each child cannot safely remain in the home:

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**REASONABLE EFFORTS FINDING**

The Agency has made the following efforts to prevent the removal of the child(ren) from the home:

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**AND** based upon the evidence and/or information presented at the hearing as described above, the Court finds that the Agency:

- Has made reasonable efforts to prevent the child(ren)'s removal from the home. OR**
- Has Not made reasonable efforts** to prevent the child(ren)'s removal from the home for the following reasons:

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**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

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**SCHEDULING ORDER**

It is **ORDERED** that the following scheduling order shall be in effect:

**DISCOVERY:** The following discovery schedule shall be in effect:

The parties agree to conduct discovery on an informal basis, to be completed by the pre-trial hearing.

Discovery requests shall be served on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Responses are due on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Absent good cause, all discovery motions to compel shall be filed no more than seven (7) business days after the date responses are due, therefore, they must be filed on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

**MEDIATION:** Mediation is scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm and will be held in Superior Court Building C, 410 E Street, NW

Social Worker's Mediation Report is due two (2) business days prior to the mediation session, therefore, the report must be filed on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, if the Family Team Meeting report has not been filed.

**STIPULATION:** The Government shall tender a proposed stipulation one week before mediation. Opposing counsel shall tender a reply stipulation at mediation.

**DISPOSITION CONTROL DATE:** In the event that a Stipulation hearing is held and a Stipulation agreement entered, the disposition is scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm.

**PRE-TRIAL:** The pre-trial hearing is scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm, and the parties are hereby **ORDERED** to comply with the requirements of Superior Court Neglect Rule 17. Pretrial Conference. Rule 17 requires that the Joint Pretrial Statement shall be submitted to the trial judge at least two working days before the Pretrial Hearing. If no Stipulation is reached at Mediation, the attorneys shall complete the Joint Pretrial Statement at the Mediation Conference before being excused. The Joint Pretrial Statement shall contain a statement as to the status of the provision of services ordered and the participation of applicable parties in the ordered services. Requests for recusal shall be made in the Joint Pretrial Statement or will be deemed waived.

**TRIAL/DISPOSITION HEARING:** The trial and disposition hearing are scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm.

**CASE PLAN:** A signed and completed Case Plan between the Agency and the parent(s) shall be submitted to the Court no later than \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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**DATE**

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**ASSOCIATE JUDGE/ MAGISTRATE JUDGE**