

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF _____ COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

_____,
Petitioner,

Civil Action

vs.

Case Number _____

_____,
Respondent.

PARENTING PLAN

The parties have agreed to the terms of this plan and this information has been furnished by both parties to meet the requirements of OCGA Section 19-9-1. The parties agree on the terms of the plan and affirm the accuracy of the information provided, as shown by their signatures at the end of this order.

This plan has been prepared by the _____ only.

This plan has been prepared by the judge.

This plan is a new plan.
modifies an existing Parenting Plan dated _____.
modifies an existing Order dated _____.

<i>Child's Name</i>	<i>Date of Birth</i>

1. Custody and Decision Making:

a) Legal Custody shall be (choose one):

- with the Mother
- with the Father
- Joint

b) Primary Physical Custodian

For each of the children named below the primary physical custodian shall be:

<i>Child's Name</i>	<i>D.O.B.</i>	<i>Mother</i>	<i>Father</i>	<i>Joint</i>

WHERE JOINT PHYSICAL CUSTODY IS CHOSEN BY THE PARENTS OR ORDERED BY THE COURT, A DETAILED PLAN OF THE LIVING ARRANGEMENTS OF THE CHILD(REN) SHALL BE ATTACHED AND MADE A PART OF THIS PARENTING PLAN.

c) Day-To-Day Decisions

Each parent shall make decisions regarding the day-to-day care of a child while the child is residing with that parent, including any emergency decisions affecting the health or safety of a child.

d) Major Decisions

Major decisions regarding each child shall be made as follows:

Educational decisions	Mother	Father	Joint
Non-emergency health care	Mother	Father	Joint
Religious upbringing	Mother	Father	Joint
Extracurricular activities	Mother	Father	Joint
_____	Mother	Father	Joint
_____	Mother	Father	Joint

e) **Disagreements**

Where parents have elected joint decision making in Section I.D above, please explain how any disagreements in decision-making will be resolved.

2. **Parenting Time/Visitation Schedules**

a) **Restrictions (Check if applicable)**

1) **No Parenting Time**

The non-custodial parent shall have no contact with the children until further court order. All parenting decisions shall be made by the residential parent.

2) **Supervised Parenting Time**

Whenever parenting time is exercised by the non-custodial parent as outlined below, including day-to-day visitation and holiday or vacation visitation, it shall be conducted with a supervisor present. Supervised parenting time shall apply during the day-to-day schedule as follows:

Place: _____

Person/Organization supervising: _____

Responsibility for cost

Mother Father divided equally

b) **Parenting Time/Visitation Schedules**

During the term of this parenting plan the non-custodial parent shall have at a minimum the following rights of parenting time/ visitation (choose an item):

The weekend of the first and third Friday of each month.

The weekend of the first, third, and fifth Friday of each month.

The weekend of the second and fourth Friday of each month.

Every other weekend starting on _____.

Each _____ starting at _____ a.m./p.m. and ending _____ a.m./p.m.

Other: _____

For purposes of this parenting plan, a weekend will start at _____ a.m./p.m. on [Thursday / Friday / Saturday / Other: _____] and end at _____ a.m./p.m. on [Sunday / Monday / Other: _____].

Any weekday visitation will begin at _____ a.m./p.m. and will end [_____ p.m. / when the child(ren) return(s) to school or custodial parent the next morning / Other: _____].

This parenting/visitation schedule begins:

_____ OR date of the Court's Order
(day and time)

c) Major Holidays and Vacation Periods

1) Thanksgiving

Define Thanksgiving vacation time:

2) Winter Vacation

Define winter vacation time:

The mother father shall have the child(ren) for the first period from the day and time school is dismissed until December _____ at _____ a.m./p.m. in odd numbered years even numbered years every year. The other parent will have the child(ren) for the second period from the day and time indicated above until 6:00 p.m. on the evening before school resumes. Unless otherwise indicated, the parties shall alternate the first and second periods each year.

Other agreement of the parents:

3) **Summer Vacation**

Define summer vacation time:

4) **Spring Vacation (if applicable)**

Define: _____

5) **Fall Vacation (if applicable)**

Define: _____

6) **Other Holiday Schedule (if applicable)**

Indicate if child(ren) will be with the parent in ODD or EVEN numbered years or indicate EVERY year:

	MOTHER	FATHER
Martin Luther King Day	_____	_____
Presidents' Day	_____	_____
Mother's Day	_____	_____
Memorial Day	_____	_____
Father's Day	_____	_____
July Fourth	_____	_____
Labor Day	_____	_____
Halloween	_____	_____
Child(ren)'s Birthday(s)	_____	_____
Mother's Birthday	_____	_____
Father's Birthday	_____	_____
Religious Holidays:		
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
Other:		
_____	_____	_____

7) **Other extended periods of time during school, etc. (refer to the school schedule)**

d) **Start and end dates for holiday visitation**

For the purposes of this parenting plan, the holiday will start and end as follows (choose one):

Holidays shall start at _____ a.m. on the day of the holiday.

Holidays shall end at _____ p.m. on the day of the holiday.

Holidays that fall on Friday will include the following Saturday and Sunday

Holidays that fall on Monday will include the preceding Saturday and Sunday

Other: _____

e) **Coordination of Parenting Schedules**

Check if applicable:

The holiday parenting time/visitation schedule takes precedence over the regular parenting time/visitation schedule.

When the child(ren) is/are with a parent for an extended parenting time/visitation period (such as summer), the other parent shall be entitled to visit with the child(ren) during the extended period, as follows:

f) **Transportation Arrangements**

For visitation, the place of meeting for the exchange of the child(ren) shall be:

The _____ will be responsible for transportation of the child at the beginning of visitation.

The _____ will be responsible for transportation of the child at the conclusion of visitation.

Transportation costs, if any, will be allocated as follows:

Other provisions: _____

g) Contacting the child

When the child or children are in the physical custody of one parent, the other parent will have the right to contact the child or children as follows:

Telephone

Other: _____

Limitations on contact

h) Communication Provisions

Please check appropriate provision:

Each parent shall promptly notify the other parent of a change of address, phone number or cell phone number. A parent changing residence must give at least 30 days notice of the change and provide the full address of the new residence.

Due to prior acts of family violence, the address of the child(ren) and victim of family violence shall be kept confidential. The protected parent shall promptly notify the other parent, through a third party, of any change in contact information necessary to conduct visitation.

3. Access to Records and Information

Rights of the Parents

Absent agreement to limitations or court ordered limitations, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 19-9-1 (b) (1) (D), both parents are entitled to access to all of the child(ren)'s records and information, including, but not limited to, education, health, extracurricular activities, and religious communications. Designation as a non-custodial parent does not affect a parent's right to equal access to these records.

Limitations on access rights:

Access to the child(ren)'s records and information outlined above poses a potential safety concern for the child(ren) or parent; therefore, access to such documents is restricted as follows:

Other Information Sharing Provisions:

4. **Modification of Plan or Disagreements**

Parties may, by mutual agreement, vary the parenting time/visitation; however, such agreement shall not be a binding court order. Custody shall only be modified by court order. No parent may coerce, intimidate, threaten, or harm the other parent to secure an agreement to changes in this parenting plan.

5. **Child Safety**

The parents shall follow the safety rules checked below (check all rules that apply):

The following person(s) present a danger to the child(ren) and shall not be present during parenting time: _____

The child(ren) shall not be physically disciplined.

There shall be no firearms in the parent's home, car, or in the child(ren)'s presence during parenting time.

Neither party shall consume alcohol or illegal drugs and then operate a motor vehicle when the child(ren) is/are in his or her custody.

Neither parent shall be intoxicated or under the influence of any controlled substance (e.g. illegal or non-prescribed drugs) during the period of time that s/he is with the child(ren).

The child(ren) shall not be left alone until they reach at least _____ years of age.

Other: _____

6. Special Considerations

Please attach an addendum detailing any special circumstances of which the Court should be aware (e.g., health issues, educational issues, etc.)

There has been family violence by the _____ against the _____ . The safety of the victim and the child(ren) shall be the primary focus of interactions between the abuser, the victim, and the child(ren).

7. Parents' Consent

Please review the following and initial:

- 1) We recognize that a close and continuing parent-child relationship and continuity in the child's life is in the child's best interest.

Mother's Initials: _____ Father's Initials: _____

Reason for not signing:

There has been domestic violence by the _____ against the _____ and/or minor child(ren) and a close and continuing parent-child relationship or continuity in the child(ren)'s life is not in the child(ren)'s best interest. O.C.G.A. §19-9-3(a)(4).

- 2) We recognize that our child's needs will change and grow as the child matures; we have made a good faith effort to take these changing needs into account so that the need for future modifications to the parenting plan are minimized.

Mother's Initials: _____ Father's Initials: _____

- 3) We recognize that the parent with physical custody will make the day-to-day decisions and emergency decisions while the child is residing with such parent.

Mother's Initials: _____ Father's Initials: _____

We knowingly and voluntarily agree on the terms of this Parenting Plan. Each of us affirms that the information we have provided in this Plan is true and correct.

Father's Signature

Mother's Signature

ORDER

The Court has reviewed the foregoing Parenting Plan, and it is hereby made the order of this Court.

This _____ day of _____, 20____.

JUDGE

County Superior Court