

State of Minnesota

County _____

District Court

Judicial District: _____
Court File Number: _____
Case Type: _____

In Re the Custody of:

Petitioner

and

Respondent

**Petition To Establish Custody
and Parenting Time**

[Minn. Stat. § 518.156]

Recognition of Parentage signed

[Minn. Stat. § 257.75, subd. 3]

1. I am the Petitioner. My name and address:

First Middle Last

Street Address Apt. #

City State Zip Code

2. The other parent is the Respondent. Respondent's full name and address:

First Middle Last

Street Address Apt. #

City State Zip Code

3. The names and dates of birth of the minor children involved in this action are:

Child's Full Name

Date of Birth

First Middle Last Month / Day / Year

First Middle Last Month / Day / Year

4. The children currently live with: Me Other parent Other person

(print full name of other parent or person):

_____. The address of the children is:
_____ in the City of _____,
County of _____, State of _____, zip code
_____.

The children have lived at this address since _____ (mo/day/yr).

If children have lived less than six months at the above listed address, list dates and locations of where the children have been living for the last six months: _____

5. Petitioner and Respondent signed a Minnesota Recognition of Parentage (ROP) for the minor children listed above. The Recognition of Parentage has been filed with the Minnesota Department of Health and is a basis for bringing an action to grant custody, parenting time, and/or child support pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 257.75, subd. 3 (2010). (check one)

Petitioner has included a certified copy of the Recognition of Parentage with this Petition.

Petitioner requested a certified copy from the Minnesota Department of Health and will file it with the court when Petitioner receives it.

6. A court-appointed guardian or custodian has been appointed for the children.

No

Yes – A guardian or custodian has been appointed for the children by court order in Court

File No. _____ in the State of _____ and the name of the guardian / custodian is _____

(Note: Minn. Stat. § 518.156, subd. 2, requires the Petitioner to give written notice of this proceeding to the guardian / custodian.)

7. Petitioner's request for custody and parenting time:

a. Legal Custody: *Legal custody means having a right to participate in the major decisions regarding the child's life, including education, religious upbringing and medical treatment.*

It is in the child's best interests that legal custody is granted as follows: *(check one)*

- Joint legal custody to both parents
- Sole legal custody to Petitioner Respondent

b. Physical Custody: *Physical custody identifies who will handle the routine daily care and control of the child, and who the child will live with.*

It is in the child's best interests that physical custody is granted as follows: *(check one)*

- Joint physical custody to both parents
- Sole physical custody to Petitioner Respondent

8. A child protection case involving the children in this case is open: YES NO

If YES, this case is in _____ County in the State of _____,
and the Court File Number is _____. The child protection worker's
name is _____.

9. An *Order for Protection* involving me and the other parent _____
(print full name)

and/or the children is open: YES NO.

If YES, this case is in _____ County in the State of _____,
and the Court File Number is _____.

A copy of the *Order for Protection* is included with this Petition.

10. Parenting Time:

It is in the child's best interests that parenting time be granted as follows:

- Grant parenting time to the Petitioner Respondent

Grant supervised parenting time to the Petitioner Respondent

Deny parenting time to the Petitioner Respondent

11. Child Support: *(check one box)*

There is no existing child support order and Petitioner is asking the court to establish child support in accordance with child support guidelines.

There is no existing child support order and child support is not being requested in this Petition.

There is an existing child support order for the children named in this action, located in the

County of _____, State of _____, Court
File Number _____.

The Petitioner requests that the Court grant the following relief:

1. I am asking the court to grant legal custody as follows: *(pick one)*

Joint legal custody to both parents

Sole legal custody to the Petitioner Respondent

2. I am asking the court to grant physical custody as follows: *(pick one)*

Joint physical custody to both parents

Sole physical custody to the Petitioner Respondent

3. I am asking the court to: *(pick one)*

Grant parenting time

Grant supervised parenting time to the Petitioner Respondent

Deny parenting time to the Petitioner Respondent

4. *Optional – only check box if asking the court for child support.*

I am asking the court to establish child support according to the child support guidelines.
Child support includes basic support, medical support, and child care support.

5. Granting such other and further relief as the court may deem just and equitable.

DATE: _____

Signature

Street Address

City/State/Zip Code

(_____) _____
Telephone Number

E-mail address