

Child Custody Coach

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1. **Name of County and State that has jurisdiction of your child custody case?**
2. **Do you have an attorney representing you? If so, what is your attorney's name?**
3. **Chronology of key events with dates (one to two sentences per entry preferred)**

4. **Describe your current custody arrangement/schedule?**
 - a. Percentage of time (i.e. 50/50, 60/40, 70/30, etc.)
 - b. Pick-ups
 - c. Days and time each child is with each parent (monitored?)
 - d. Date that this arrangement began/ended
 - e. How did this schedule come about (i.e. agreement, mediation, stipulation, ordered, ex parte, etc.)?
 - f. Anything else you would like to add

5. **Describe any other custody arrangements/schedules?**
 - a. Percentage of time (i.e. 50/50, 60/40, 70/30, etc.)
 - b. Pick-ups
 - c. Days and time each child was with each parent (monitored?)
 - d. Date that this arrangement began/ended
 - e. How did this schedule come about (i.e. agreement, mediation, stipulation, ordered, ex parte, etc.)?
 - f. Anything else you would like to add

6. **Explain briefly, your relationship with other parent and your children**
 - a. How and why the relationship dissolved (please just hit the highlights)?
 - b. Have there ever been any allegations of domestic violence, drugs/alcohol, child abuse, etc.
 - c. Has there ever been any involvement of police, child protective services, social services, etc.
 - d. Age/gender of each children
 - e. Describe your relationship with your children
 - f. Describe the childrens relationship with the other parent
 - g. Anything else you would like to add

7. Describe your Work Schedule and Time You are Available to Care for the Children

- a. Describe your current work schedule
- b. Do you plan to use day care? If so, how often?
- c. Do you plan to use close family members/relatives to help care for your children? If so, how often?
- d. Describe the role of the family support system (i.e. the children's grandparents, uncles, aunts, etc.)?
- e. Where will child be when you are working?
- f. Who will be available to watch the children while you are at work?

8. Describe any OSC's (Order to Show Cause) that have been filed

- a. Who brought the OSC and why (i.e. move-away, allegations of abuse, neglect, domestic violence, ex parte, etc.)?
- b. What were the main arguments in both parties declarations
- c. Date OSC was filed, county and courthouse, name of presiding judge
- d. Briefly, what was the result or what transpired from this OSC (i.e. parenting classes, custody evaluation, transfer of custody, increase/decrease in time share of children, ex parte, etc.)?
- e. Anything else you would like to add

9. Has there ever been a Custody Evaluation?

- a. What were both parties position/recommendations going into evaluation in regards to custody of the children and why?
- b. What were the main arguments/concerns of both parties (i.e. allegations, neglect, abuse, alcohol/drugs, unfit, move-away, school, stepparent, siblings, etc.)?
- c. Describe the evaluation process (i.e. interviews, collateral information, psychological testing, MMPI-2, Gardner's parenting scale, etc.)
- d. Describe the evaluator's recommendations (i.e. parenting classes, custody arrangement/schedule, time share with children, etc.)
- e. How do you feel the evaluator came to this conclusion
- f. What do you agree with and what you disagree with in the evaluation report
- g. Anything else you would like to add

10. Briefly explain your goals and what you would like to accomplish?

11. Please mention anything else that you feel is significant in your situation that you feel may have an impact on the evaluator/evaluation.

Dated

Participant's Full Name (Please Print)

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Participant's Signature

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