

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Petitioner

vs.

Respondent

Docket No: _____

File No: _____

TCSES No: _____

PRO SE PETITION

Comes now the Petitioner, pro se, and petitions this Honorable court to:

establish parentage change custody set of modify child support set or modify visitation.

In support of this petition the Petitioner would show the court the following: **(circle & complete all that apply)**

To Establish Parentage:

1. That the Mother/Guardian Alleged Father(s) Child(ren) reside in Davidson County, Tennessee.
2. That the Mother and Alleged Father(s) were never married.
3. That the Mother and Alleged Father(s) had sexual intercourse during the period of conception of the following child(ren) and that said child(ren) were conceived as a result of said intercourse:

_____ born on _____.

_____ born on _____.

To Change Custody:

1. That pursuant to a hearing on _____, custody was granted to the Respondent.
2. That there is not presently any order granting custody of the minor child(ren) to either party, however, the Petitioner has physical possession of said child(ren).
3. That the petitioner has has not participated (as a party, witness, or in any other capacity) in any other litigation concerning the custody of said child(ren) in this or any other state.
4. That the petitioner does does not have information of any custody proceeding concerning said child(ren) pending in a court of this or any other state.
5. That the petitioner does does not know of any person not a party to this proceeding who has physical custody of said child(ren) or claims to have custody or visitation rights with respect to said child(ren).
6. That there has been a substantial and material change of circumstances that warrants a change of custody in this matter as set forth below:

To Set Child Support:

1. That there has not been a previous order of child support established by this or any other Court.
2. That the Respondent owes a duty of support to the following child(ren):
_____ born on _____.
_____ born on _____.
- a. Pursuant to:
 1. An order of Parentage was entered by the _____ court on _____.
 2. A Voluntary Acknowledgement of Paternity executed by the Respondent on _____.
 3. Other: _____.

To Modify Child Support:

1. That a previous order of child support was established by this Court on _____.
2. That since the entry of said order the Petitioner believes or knows that there has been a significant variance (increase or decrease of 15% or more) between the guidelines and the amount of support currently set.
3. That the necessity to provide for the child(ren)'s healthcare needs have changed as follows:
_____.

To Set Visitation:

1. That there has not been a previous order of visitation established in this matter.
2. That the Petitioner is the non-custodial parent of the minor child(ren) and is requesting that visitation be set.
3. That the Petitioner is the guardian or custodial parent of the minor child(ren) and is requesting that visitation be set.

To Modify Visitation:

1. That a previous order of visitation was established by this court on _____.
2. That the existing visitation order provided for visitation as follows _____.
3. That the existing visitation order needs to be modified for the following reasons: _____.

WHEREFORE, PETITIONER PRAYS: (circle & complete all that apply)

To Establish Parentage:

1. That proper process issue and that the Respondent be required to answer within the time allowed by law.
2. That an order for parentage issue in this matter which order shall include the following:
 - a. A determination of the availability of health insurance to cover the child(ren) and other appropriate orders regarding the allocation of health care costs;
 - b. A determination of the child(ren)'s name on the child(ren)'s birth certificate;
 - c. A determination of custody of the child;
 - d. A determination of visitation or parental access;
 - e. A determination of child support;
 - f. A determination of retroactive support; and
 - g. A determination of liability for the mother's reasonable expenses for her pregnancy, confinement, and recovery to either or both parties.

3. Other specific relief requested: _____.
4. That the costs of this cause be taxed to the Respondent.
5. For such other general relief as this cause may warrant.

To Change Custody:

1. That proper process issue and that this matter be set for an initial appearance before this Honorable Court.
2. That custody of said minor child(ren) be changed from the Respondent to the Petitioner.
3. That the Respondent be ordered to pay child support pursuant to the Tennessee Child Support Guidelines and that the Respondent be granted visitation.
4. That the costs of this cause be taxed to the Respondent.
5. For such other general relief as this cause may warrant.

To Set or Modify Child Support:

1. That proper process issue and that the Respondent be ordered to appear and show cause why child support should not be set or modified as requested herein.
2. That the Court set / modify child support: in accordance with the Tennessee Child Support Guidelines.
 to provide for the child(ren)'s health care needs.
3. That the costs of this cause be taxed to the Respondent.
4. For such other general relief as this cause may warrant.

To Set or Modify Child Visitation:

1. That proper process issue and that the Respondent be ordered to appear and show cause why visitation should not be set or modified as requested herein.
2. That the Court set / modify visitation as follows: reasonable visitation be set.
 standard visitation be set.
 visitation be set as follows: _____.
3. That the costs of this cause be taxed to the Respondent.
4. For such other general relief as this cause may warrant.

Respectfully submitted,

Petitioner

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, _____.

Notary/Clerk