

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
HARDIN CIRCUIT COURT  
FAMILY COURT – DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**PETITIONER**

**RESPONSE AND COUNTER**  
**PETITION FOR CUSTODY**

\_\_\_\_\_

**RESPONDENT**

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**TO:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
*Counsel for Petitioner*

Comes the Respondent, \_\_\_\_\_, and for her/his Response and Counterclaim states as follows:

1. The Respondent admits the statements in paragraphs \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The Respondent admits the statements in paragraph \_\_\_\_\_, except that \_\_\_\_\_
3. The Respondent admits the statements in paragraph \_\_\_\_\_, except that \_\_\_\_\_
4. The Respondent admits the statements in paragraph \_\_\_\_\_, except that \_\_\_\_\_
5. The Respondent admits the statements in paragraph \_\_\_\_\_, except that \_\_\_\_\_

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6. The Respondent admits the statements in paragraph \_\_\_\_\_, except that

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7. The Respondent denies the statements in paragraph(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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8. The Respondent denies the statements in paragraph \_\_\_\_\_, in so far as she/he does not agree \_\_\_\_\_

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9. The Respondent admits the statements in paragraph \_\_\_\_\_, except that she/he is not clear what Petitioner means by \_\_\_\_\_

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10. The Respondent denies the statements in paragraph \_\_\_\_\_. She/he does not want Petitioner to be the primary residential custodian of their child.

11. The Respondent admits that a parenting schedule should be established; however,

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**WHEREFORE**, the Respondent respectfully asks that the Court:

1. Award the Respondent joint legal custody of the parties' child, and designate Respondent the child's primary residential custodian.
2. Set a parenting schedule.

3. Award Respondent child support.
4. Grant all other relief to which the Respondent may be entitled.

COUNTERPETITION

The Respondent, \_\_\_\_\_, for her/his Counterpetition for Custody states as follows

1. The Respondent resides in Kentucky and has been a resident of Kentucky for 180 days preceding the filing of this action.
2. The Petitioner is \_\_\_\_\_ years old. She/He resides in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kentucky, and is employed at \_\_\_\_\_
3. The Respondent is \_\_\_\_\_ years old; resides in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kentucky, and is employed at \_\_\_\_\_.  
Her/His date of birth is \_\_\_\_\_ and social security number is \_\_\_\_\_
4. The parties were never married, but have \_\_\_\_\_ minor child(ren) of their relationship, \_\_\_\_\_ born in \_\_\_\_\_.
5. During the past five years the child(ren) has/have lived at the following addresses:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. It would be in the child(ren)'s best interest to award Respondent joint legal custody of the child, and to establish her/his home as the child(ren)'s primary residence.
7. The Respondent is entitled to child support.

THIS BEING THE CASE, the Respondent asks that the Court:

1. Award the Respondent joint legal custody of the parties' child(ren), and make her/him the child(ren)'s primary residential custodian.
2. Set a parenting schedule.
3. Award Respondent child support.
4. Grant all other relief to which the Respondent may be entitled.

**VERIFICATION**

I have read the foregoing Response and Counter-Petition for Custody and the statements therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, Respondent

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me by \_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE AT LARGE, KENTUCKY

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of aforementioned was this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ mailed via first class U.S. mail to Petitioner at the above-listed address.

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Respondent's signature and address:  
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