



STANISLAUS COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

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Response Packet to Petition to Establish Parental Relationship

The following forms need to be served on the Respondent BLANK. If the other party chooses to respond, they will complete this portion of the packet.

This packet includes the necessary forms to respond to a Petition to Establish Parental Relationship.

The term "Establishing parentage" means determining who the legal parents of a child are if the parents were not married when the child was born. If the parents were married when the child was born, the law usually considers the husband to be the father.

After January 1, 2005, if parents are registered domestic partners when a child is born, the law assumes that the domestic partners are parents. However, since this law is new and unsettled, same sex parents should get legal advice to make sure that the parentage is clear.

Parents who are not married when a child is born can sign a Voluntary Declaration of Paternity at the hospital. This form can also be signed at the local child support agency, public health or the Family Law Facilitator's Office if both parties are present and show identification. When people who are not married cannot agree about parentage, the Court can order genetic testing.

Usually a child's parentage must be established **BEFORE** the Court can make any child support, custody and/or visitation orders.

ALERT! If a person is established as a legal parent of a child, that person MUST support the child. It is a crime for a legal parent to fail to support his or her child. A legal parent also has the right to get custody and/or visitation rights related to the child.

Additional Information:

Even if you get temporary orders for child support, child custody and visitation, it is very important that you follow the procedures and submit the documents necessary to obtain a Judgment of Paternity.

A Judgment of Paternity protects your child's rights to receive support from both parents, to collect Social Security Workers Compensation, State Disability or other benefits if a parent dies or becomes disabled, and to inherit from the estates of both parents or from other family members as the survivor of a deceased parent.

A Judgment of Paternity protects each parent's rights to support for the child from the other parent; to visit and be with the child; to access a child's medical, dental and educational records; and to participate in important decisions concerning the child.

Superior Court Self-Help Center/Family Law Facilitator's Office

800 11th Street, Room 220, Modesto

Hours: **Monday – Thursday**, 8am – 12:30pm and 1pm – 3pm; **Friday**, 8am – 12pm

PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO PARTIES REPRESENTING THEMSELVES ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS

Judicial Council forms, local forms and information are available in the Clerk's Office, the Stanislaus County Law Library located at 1101 13th Street, Modesto, and on the following Websites:

- Stanislaus County Superior Court
www.stanct.org
- Local forms
www.stanct.org/Forms.aspx?id=3
- Judicial Council's Self-Help website
www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp
- For more information on Libraries, Websites, or Self-Help Legal Books
www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/lowcost
- California's Free Website for Legal Help
www.lawhelpcalifornia.org

NOTES:

****CASE MANAGEMENT INFORMATION:**

- **Refer to the instructions on both sides of the Notice of Family Law Case Management Conference** (this form is green) for rules and requirements related to the Case Management Conference.
- **THE CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE IS NOT A TRIAL**, IT DOES NOT RESOLVE SUPPORT OR CUSTODY ISSUES AND IT IS NOT A JUDGMENT HEARING. This hearing allows the Court to track cases to ensure that they are proceeding as required by law.

****FINANCIAL ISSUES:**

- **The Income and Expense Declaration** (FL-150) is included in this packet. This form is also accessible on the Judicial Council website. It can be filled in directly from the website, and calculations will be computed for you when you complete it online.

****CHILD CUSTODY AND VISITATION ISSUES:**

- If you are in agreement you may use the "Stipulation and Order for Custody and/or Visitation of Children" forms along with a Petition. This stipulation and order must be submitted to the judge for review and signature to make it an official order of the Court.
- If you are not in agreement, you may use an "Order to Show Cause" or "Notice of Motion" packet.
- **Notice of Change of Address and Telephone Number** (MC-040). When you have a change in your address or telephone number, you **MUST** purchase this form and file it with the Clerk's Office.

****IMPORTANT REQUIREMENT****

CHILD SUPPORT CASE REGISTRY FORM: Both parents must complete a *Child Support Case Registry Form* (included in this packet).

- **When you file a court order**, you must deliver a completed form to the Clerk's Office along with your court order.
- **If you did not file a court order**, you must deliver a completed form to the Court **WITHIN 10 DAYS** of the date you **received** a copy of your court order.
- **If any information you provide on this form changes**, you must complete a new form and deliver it to the court clerk within 10 days of the change.

Yes, I need an Interpreter!

Sí, necesito un Intérprete!

Name (Nombre): _____

Case Number (Número de caso): _____

Language/Dialect Spoken (Que idioma/dialecto habla):

Spanish (Español) **Dialecto:** _____

Other: _____ **Dialect:** _____

Person requesting an Interpreter is:

Persona que solicita el intérprete es:

Petitioner (Solicitante)

Respondent (Demandado)

Protected Person (Persona Protegida)

Restrained Person (Persona Restringida)

Other (Otro): _____

CONFIDENTIAL

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE) Attorney for: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STANISLAUS Street Address: 800 11th Street, Modesto, CA 95354 Civil Clerk' Office: 1100 I Street, P.O. Box 1098, Modesto, CA 95353	<i>FOR COURT USE ONLY NOTICE TO CLERK Place in confidential part of the court file.</i>
Petitioner: Respondent:	
CONFIDENTIAL DECLARATION	Case Number: _____

You are required to complete this *Confidential Declaration* when you file any petition or response in any family law case type. You are required to provide the social security numbers for yourself and your spouse on this form if you know them. This form will be kept in a confidential part of the court file and may not be disclosed without good cause shown to the court.

After you have completed this form, you may redact (block or cross out) any social security number listed on this form from any future document or other written material filed with the court.

You may not redact or change any previously filed documents without a court order.

Petitioner (name): _____
Address: _____
Alias (if any): _____ **Social security number:** _____
Date of Birth: _____ **Drivers License:** _____
 Female **Male**

Respondent (name): _____
Address: _____
Alias (if any): _____ **Social security number:** _____
Date of Birth: _____ **Drivers License:** _____
 Female **Male**

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: _____

(Type or Print Your Name)

(Sign Your Name)

PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY OR ATTORNEY STATE BAR NUMBER: NAME: FIRM NAME: STREET ADDRESS: CITY: STATE: ZIP CODE: TELEPHONE NO.: FAX NO.: E-MAIL ADDRESS: ATTORNEY FOR (name):	FOR COURT USE ONLY
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STANISLAUS STREET ADDRESS: 1100 I STREET MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 1098 CITY AND ZIP CODE: MODESTO, CA 95353 BRANCH NAME:	
PETITIONER: RESPONDENT:	
RESPONSE TO PETITION TO DETERMINE PARENTAL RELATIONSHIP	CASE NUMBER:

1. The petitioner
 - a. is a parent of the children in item 2.
 - b. is not a parent of the children in item 2.
 - c. is the child or the child's personal representative (specify court and date of appointment):
 - d. Other (specify):

2. The children are

a. <u>Child's name</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Age</u>
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 b. a child who is not yet born

3. The respondent
 - a. lives in the state of California.
 - b. was in California when the children listed in item 2 were conceived.
 - c. does not live in the state of California.
 - d. was not in California when the children listed in item 2 were conceived.
 - e. Other (specify):

4. The children
 - a. live or are found in this county.
 - b. are children of a parent who is deceased, and proceedings for administration of the estate have been or could be started in this county.

5. The respondent is
 - a. the parent of the children listed in item 2 above.
 - b. not certain if the respondent is the parent of the children listed in item 2 above.
 - c. not the parent of the children listed in item 2 above.
 - d. Other (specify):

6. Additional statements
 - a. Parentage has been determined by a voluntary declaration of parentage or paternity. (Attach a copy if available.)
 - b. Parentage has been established in another case governmental child support Other (specify):
 - c. Public assistance is being provided to the children.

7. A completed Declaration Under Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act (UCCJEA) (form FL-105) is attached.

PETITIONER:	CASE NUMBER:
RESPONDENT:	

The respondent asks that the court make the determinations listed below.

8. PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP (check all that apply):

- a. Respondent Petitioner is the parent of the children listed in item 2.
- b. Respondent Petitioner is not the parent of the children listed in item 2.
- c. Respondent requests genetic testing to determine whether the Petitioner Respondent is the parent of the children listed in item 2.

9. CHILD CUSTODY AND VISITATION (PARENTING TIME)

- | | Petitioner | Respondent | Joint | Other |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Legal custody of children to | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Physical custody of children to | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Child visitation (parenting time) be granted to | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

As requested in form FL-311 form FL-312 form FL-341(C)
 form FL-341(D) form FL-341(E) Attachment 6c(1)

- d. The facts in support of the requested custody and visitation (parenting time) orders are (specify):
 Contained in the attached declaration.

10. REASONABLE EXPENSES OF PREGNANCY AND BIRTH:

Reasonable expenses of pregnancy and birth to be paid by as follows:

	Petitioner	Respondent	Joint
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

11. FEES AND COSTS OF LITIGATION

	Petitioner	Respondent	Joint
a. Attorney fees to be paid by	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Expert fees, guardian ad litem fees, and other costs of the action or pretrial proceedings to be paid by	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

12. NAME CHANGE

Children's names be changed, according to Family Code section 7638, as follows (specify old and new names):

13. OTHER ORDERS REQUESTED (specify):

14. CHILD SUPPORT

The court may make orders for support of the children and issue an earnings assignment without further notice to either party.

I have read the restraining order on the back of the *Summons* (FL-210) and I understand it applies to me.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

▶ _____

(SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT)

NOTICE: If you have a child from this relationship, the court is required to order child support based upon the income of both parents. Support normally continues until the child is 18. You should supply the court with information about your finances. Otherwise, the child support order will be based upon information supplied by the other parent. Any party required to pay child support must pay interest on overdue amounts at the "legal" rate, which is currently 10 percent.

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address): TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO. (Optional): _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional): _____ ATTORNEY FOR (Name): _____	FOR COURT USE ONLY
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STANISLAUS STREET ADDRESS: 1100 I STREET MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 1098 CITY AND ZIP CODE: MODESTO, CA 95354 BRANCH NAME: _____	
(This section applies only to family law cases.) PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER PARTY:	
(This section applies only to guardianship cases.) GUARDIANSHIP OF (Name): _____ Minor	CASE NUMBER: _____
DECLARATION UNDER UNIFORM CHILD CUSTODY JURISDICTION AND ENFORCEMENT ACT (UCCJEA)	

1. I am a party to this proceeding to determine custody of a child.
2. My present address and the present address of each child residing with me is confidential under Family Code section 3429 as I have indicated in item 3.
3. There are (specify number): _____ minor children who are subject to this proceeding, as follows:
(Insert the information requested below. The residence information must be given for the last FIVE years.)

a. Child's name	Place of birth	Date of birth	Sex
Period of residence to present	Address <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential	Person child lived with (name and complete current address) <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential	Relationship
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)	
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)	
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)	
b. Child's name	Place of birth	Date of birth	Sex
<input type="checkbox"/> Residence information is the same as given above for child a. (If NOT the same, provide the information below.)			
Period of residence to present	Address <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential	Person child lived with (name and complete current address) <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential	Relationship
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)	
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)	
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)	

- c. Additional residence information for a child listed in item a or b is continued on attachment 3c.
- d. Additional children are listed on form FL-105(A)/GC-120(A). (Provide all requested information for additional children.)

SHORT TITLE: 	CASE NUMBER:
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4. Do you have information about, or have you participated as a party or as a witness or in some other capacity in, another court case or custody or visitation proceeding, in California or elsewhere, concerning a child subject to this proceeding?

Yes No (If yes, attach a copy of the orders (if you have one) and provide the following information):

Proceeding	Case number	Court <i>(name, state, location)</i>	Court order or judgment <i>(date)</i>	Name of each child	Your connection to the case	Case status
a. <input type="checkbox"/> Family						
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Guardianship						
c. <input type="checkbox"/> Other						

Proceeding	Case Number	Court <i>(name, state, location)</i>
d. <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Delinquency/ Juvenile Dependency		
e. <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption		

5. One or more domestic violence restraining/protective orders are now in effect. (Attach a copy of the orders if you have one and provide the following information):

Court	County	State	Case number <i>(if known)</i>	Orders expire <i>(date)</i>
a. <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal				
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Family				
c. <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Delinquency/ Juvenile Dependency				
d. <input type="checkbox"/> Other				

6. Do you know of any person who is not a party to this proceeding who has physical custody or claims to have custody of or visitation rights with any child in this case? Yes No (If yes, provide the following information):

a. Name and address of person <input type="checkbox"/> Has physical custody <input type="checkbox"/> Claims custody rights <input type="checkbox"/> Claims visitation rights Name of each child	b. Name and address of person <input type="checkbox"/> Has physical custody <input type="checkbox"/> Claims custody rights <input type="checkbox"/> Claims visitation rights Name of each child	c. Name and address of person <input type="checkbox"/> Has physical custody <input type="checkbox"/> Claims custody rights <input type="checkbox"/> Claims visitation rights Name of each child
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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

_____ _____

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME) (SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT)

7. Number of pages attached: _____

NOTICE TO DECLARANT: You have a continuing duty to inform this court if you obtain any information about a custody proceeding in a California court or any other court concerning a child subject to this proceeding.

CASE NAME: 	CASE NUMBER:
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**ATTACHMENT TO
DECLARATION UNDER UNIFORM CHILD CUSTODY JURISDICTION AND ENFORCEMENT ACT (UCCJEA)**

<input type="checkbox"/> Child's name <input type="checkbox"/> Residence information is the same as given on form FL-105/GC-120 for child a. (If NOT the same, provide the information below.)		Place of birth	Date of birth	Sex
Period of residence to present	Present address <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential	Person child lived with (name and complete current address) <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential		Relationship
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)		
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)		
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Child's name <input type="checkbox"/> Residence information is the same as given on form FL-105/GC-120 for child a. (If NOT the same, provide the information below.)		Place of birth	Date of birth	Sex
Period of residence to present	Address <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential	Person child lived with (name and complete current address) <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential		Relationship
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)		
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)		
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Child's name <input type="checkbox"/> Residence information is the same as given on form FL-105/GC-120 for child a. (If NOT the same, provide the information below.)		Place of birth	Date of birth	Sex
Period of residence to present	Address <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential	Person child lived with (name and complete current address) <input type="checkbox"/> Confidential		Relationship
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)		
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)		
to	Child's residence (City, State)	Person child lived with (name and complete current address)		

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address): TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO. (Optional): _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional): _____ ATTORNEY FOR (Name): _____	FOR COURT USE ONLY
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STANISLAUS STREET ADDRESS: 1100 I STREET MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 1098 CITY AND ZIP CODE: MODESTO, CA 95354 BRANCH NAME: _____	
PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF: RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT: OTHER PARENT/PARTY: _____	CASE NUMBER: (If applicable, provide): HEARING DATE: HEARING TIME: DEPT.:
PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL	

NOTICE: To serve temporary restraining orders you must use personal service (see form FL-330).

1. I am at least 18 years of age, not a party to this action, and I am a resident of or employed in the county where the mailing took place.
2. My residence or business address is:
3. I served a copy of the following documents (*specify*):

by enclosing them in an envelope AND

- a. **depositing** the sealed envelope with the United States Postal Service with the postage fully prepaid.
- b. **placing** the envelope for collection and mailing on the date and at the place shown in item 4 following our ordinary business practices. I am readily familiar with this business's practice for collecting and processing correspondence for mailing. On the same day that correspondence is placed for collection and mailing, it is deposited in the ordinary course of business with the United States Postal Service in a sealed envelope with postage fully prepaid.

4. The envelope was addressed and mailed as follows:

- a. Name of person served:
- b. Address:
- c. Date mailed:
- d. Place of mailing (*city and state*):

5. I served a request to modify a child custody, visitation, or child support judgment or permanent order which included an address verification declaration. (*Declaration Regarding Address Verification—Postjudgment Request to Modify a Child Custody, Visitation, or Child Support Order* (form FL-334) may be used for this purpose.)

6. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

_____ _____
 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME) (SIGNATURE OF PERSON COMPLETING THIS FORM)

INFORMATION SHEET FOR PROOF OF PERSONAL SERVICE

Use these instructions to complete the *Proof of Personal Service* (form FL-330).

A person at least 18 years of age or older must serve the documents. There are two ways to serve documents: (1) personal delivery and (2) by mail. See the *Proof of Service by Mail* (form FL-335) if the documents are being served by mail. The person who serves the documents must complete a proof of service form for the documents being served. **You cannot serve documents if you are a party to the action.**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PERSON WHO SERVES THE DOCUMENTS (TYPE OR PRINT IN BLACK INK)

You must complete a proof of service for each package of documents you serve. For example, if you serve the respondent and the other parent, you must complete two proofs of service; one for the respondent and one for the other parent.

Complete the top section of the proof of service forms as follows:

First box, left side: In this box print the name, address, and phone number of the person for whom you are serving the documents.

Second box, left side: Print the name of the county in which the legal action is filed and the court's address in this box. Use the same address for the court that is on the documents you are serving.

Third box, left side: Print the names of the petitioner/plaintiff, respondent/defendant, and other parent in this box. Use the same names listed on the documents you are serving.

First box, top of form, right side: Leave this box blank for the court's use.

Second box, right side: Print the case number in this box. This number is also stated on the documents you are serving.

Third box, right side: Print the hearing date, time, and department. Use the same information that is on the documents you are serving.

1. You are stating that you are over the age of 18 and that you are neither a party of this action nor a protected person listed in any of the orders.
2. Print the name of the party to whom you handed the documents.
3. List the name of each document that you delivered to the party.
4.
 - a. Write in the date that you delivered the documents to the party.
 - b. Write in the time of day that you delivered the documents to the party.
 - c. Print the address where you delivered the documents.
5. Check the box that applies to you. If you are a private person serving the documents for a party, check box "a."
6. Print your name, address, and telephone number. If applicable, include the county in which you are registered as a process server and your registration number.
7. You must check this box if you are not a California sheriff or marshal. You are stating under penalty of perjury that the information you have provided is true and correct.
8. Do not check this box unless you are a California sheriff or marshal.

Print your name, fill in the date, and sign the form.

If you need additional assistance with this form, contact the family law facilitator in your county.

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE) Attorney for:	<i>FOR COURT USE ONLY</i>
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STANISLAUS Street Address: 800 11th Street, Modesto, CA 95354 Civil Clerk' Office: 1100 I Street, P.O. Box 1098, Modesto, CA 95353	
Plaintiff/Petitioner: Defendant/Respondent:	RELATED CASES:
CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE STATEMENT	CASE NUMBER: Date: Time:

1. Names of parties/attorneys:

a) Petitioner _____ Attorney _____

b) Respondent _____ Attorney _____

2. Nature of action (check the applicable action):

- Dissolution of marriage, legal separation, or nullity
- Action to establish parent and child relationship
- Dissolution of domestic partnership

3. Service of pleadings:

a) Date of service of petition _____ If not served, explain: _____

b) Date of filing of response or default: _____

4. Case information (complete all applicable sections):

a) Date of marriage/partnership: _____ Date of separation: _____

b) Names/ages of minor children:

5. Other related family law cases (includes out of county/state orders such as domestic violence, dissolution judgments, custody or support): _____

6. Have parties met and conferred? _____ If not, explain: _____

7. Describe any discovery conducted to date: _____

8. Describe discovery to be conducted: _____

Estimated time to complete discovery: _____ months.

9. Issues agreed upon (e.g. child custody/visitation, child/spousal support, division of property)

10. Issues that a party believes should be bifurcated (e.g. marital status, date of separation or date of valuation) _____

11. Estimated date that party will be ready for trial (**the court anticipates that a case should be ready for trial within 3-6 months from the date of the case management conference**) _____

If longer than 6 months, explain: _____

12. Estimated length of trial (hours or days): _____

DATE: _____

Signature of Party/Attorney for Party