

# **RESPONSE TO PETITION TO ESTABLISH PATERNITY, LEGAL DECISION-MAKING AND PARENTING TIME**



## **PINAL COUNTY**

### **FORMS**

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA  
PINAL COUNTY**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Petitioner  
**CASE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**RESPONSE TO PETITION TO ESTABLISH  
PATERNITY, CHILD LEGAL DECISION-  
MAKING AND PARENTING TIME**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Respondent  
**HONORABLE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**1. INFORMATION ABOUT THE OTHER PARTY, THE PETITIONER**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
County of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation or Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to minor children for whom the paternity order is requested:  
 Mother  Claims to be the Father  Is a court-appointed guardian,  
conservator or "best friend" for the child(ren)

**2. INFORMATION ABOUT ME, THE RESPONDENT**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
County of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation or Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to minor children for whom the paternity order is requested:  
 Mother  Claims to be the Father  Is a court-appointed guardian,  
conservator or "best friend" for the child(ren)

3. **INFORMATION ABOUT THE MINOR CHILDREN** is contained in the Affidavit Regarding Minor Children filed with the Petition or in the Petition itself and incorporated by reference.

**STATEMENT ABOUT PATERNITY:**

4. **WHY YOU THINK OR THE OTHER PERSON IS NOT THE FATHER OF THE MINOR CHILD(REN):**  
(Check all boxes that apply)

A.  **AFFIDAVIT:** Petitioner and Respondent **did not sign** an Affidavit or Acknowledgment of Paternity acknowledging that  Petitioner or  Respondent is the child(ren)'s natural father.

B.  **BIRTH CERTIFICATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ is not named as the natural father on the minor child(ren)'s birth certificate(s), or a father by the name of \_\_\_\_\_ is named on the minor children's birth certificates.

C.  **BLOOD TEST:** The parties had DNA (Deoxyribonucleic Acid) Testing and \_\_\_\_\_ (name of father) is shown not to be the minor child(ren)'s natural father. A copy is attached to this Answer.

D.  **PARTIES NOT LIVING TOGETHER:** Petitioner and Respondent were not married to each other at any time during the ten months before the birth of the minor child(ren). The parties did not live together during the period(s) when the minor child(ren) could have been conceived.

E.  **NO SEXUAL INTERCOURSE:** Petitioner and Respondent were not living together and did not have sexual intercourse at the probable date of conception of the minor child(ren).

F.  **SEXUAL INTERCOURSE:** The mother of the minor child(ren) had sexual intercourse with someone else during the period in which the minor child(ren) could have been conceived.

G. **OTHER** (explain)

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5. **ABOUT MARRIAGE AND HUSBAND** (if applicable, check one box only).

Mother **was not married** at the time the minor child(ren) were born or conceived or at least 10 months before minor child(ren) were born or conceived, **OR**

Mother **was married** when minor child(ren) were born or conceived or at least 10 months before the minor child(ren) were born or conceived, but husband is not the father of minor child(ren). (Husband must be included as a party to this court case because of marriage.)

6. **SUMMARY OF WHAT I SAY ABOUT THE MINOR CHILDREN THAT IS DIFFERENT FROM WHAT THE PETITIONER ASKED FOR IN THE PETITION:** (Summarize what is different between what you say about the minor children, and what the other party said in the Petition.)

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**OTHER STATEMENTS TO THE COURT:**

7. **MEDICAL EXPENSES:** (Check the applicable boxes)  
 **There are** OR  **There are not** unreimbursed medical expenses incurred by the mother, resulting from the birth of the minor child(ren). If there are, these costs and expenses should be awarded to  Plaintiff OR  Defendant according to law.
8. **OTHER EXPENSES:** The parties should be ordered to divide between them any uninsured medical, dental, or health expenses, reasonably incurred for the minor child(ren), in proportion to their respective incomes.
9. **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:** (Check the correct box if you are asking for joint Legal Decision-Making.)  
Significant domestic violence  **has** or  **has not** occurred between the parties.
10. **VENUE:** This is the proper court to bring this lawsuit under Arizona law because it is the county of residence of the Plaintiff or the Defendant or the child(ren).
11. **GENERAL DENIAL:** I deny anything stated in the complaint that I have not specifically admitted, qualified, or denied.

**REQUESTS I MAKE TO THE COURT:**

1. **PATERNITY:**  
**Order that** (name of father) \_\_\_\_\_ **is not the natural father of** the minor child(ren);  
**Order that** (name of father) \_\_\_\_\_ **is the natural father of the** minor child(ren).

**IN THE EVENT THAT COURT ORDERS THAT (NAME) \_\_\_\_\_ IS THE NATURAL FATHER, THEN THE COURT SHOULD ALSO ORDER AS FOLLOWS:**

2. **BIRTH CERTIFICATE:** (check the box and complete this sentence if you want this):  
 Order that (name of father) \_\_\_\_\_ name be added to each minor child's birth certificate;
3. **LAST NAME:** (check the box and complete this sentence if you want this):  
 Order that each child's last name be changed to the last name of \_\_\_\_\_

4. **LEGAL DECISION-MAKING AND PARENTING TIME OF CHILDREN:** (check the box and complete A or B).  
Order that:

A.  **SOLE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING:** Sole Legal Decision-Making of the minor child(ren) be awarded to \_\_\_\_\_ subject to parenting time as follows:

1.  **Reasonable parenting time rights** to the parent who does not have Legal Decision-Making, as will be described in a Parenting Plan attached to the Final Order. OR

2.  **Supervised parenting time** between the minor children and the other party is in the best interests of the minor children because (explain here reasons for supervision or no parenting time): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

i. **Person to supervise:** \_\_\_\_\_

ii. **Requested restrictions** on parenting time: (explain here) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

iii. **The cost of supervised parenting time shall be paid by**  the parent being supervised;  the parent having Legal Decision-Making;  shared equally by the parties. OR

3.  **No parenting time rights** to the parent who does not have Legal Decision-Making is in the best interests of the minor child(ren) for the following reasons: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

B.  **JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING:** Plaintiff and Defendant agree to act as joint custodians of the minor children, as set forth in the Joint Legal Decision-Making Agreement in the Parenting Plan by the parties, signed by both parties. There have been no significant acts of domestic violence by either parent.

5. **CHILD SUPPORT:** Order that child support be paid by  Petitioner OR  Respondent in a reasonable amount as determined by the Court under the Arizona Child Support Guidelines, payable on the first day of each month, beginning the first day of the month following the signing of the final order. These payments, and a handling fee, shall be paid through the Support Payment/Clearinghouse and collected by automatic wage assignment. Costs for **past child support and care** for minor child(ren) in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be paid by  Petitioner OR  Respondent in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each month until paid in full.

6. **EXPENSES OF MOTHER:** Order that  Petitioner OR  Respondent pay a reasonable amount to cover unreimbursed expenses incurred by the mother related to the birth of the child(ren).

**7. MEDICAL, DENTAL and VISION CARE INSURANCE AND HEALTH CARE EXPENSES FOR MINOR CHILDREN:** Order that:

- Mother** should be responsible for providing:  medical  dental  vision care insurance.
- Father** should be responsible for providing:  medical  dental  vision care insurance.

Order that Petitioner and Respondent pay for all reasonable unreimbursed medical, dental, vision care, and health-related expenses incurred for the minor child(ren) in proportion to their respective incomes as described on the Parents' Worksheet, which shall be submitted with the Judgment and Order.

**8. TESTING and COSTS:** Order that if paternity is contested, Petitioner and Respondent be ordered to submit to such blood and tissue tests as may be necessary by this Court to establish paternity. And, that the other party pay all costs and expenses of this lawsuit under Arizona law, A.R.S. 25-809, including blood tests or other genetic testing; filing each child's birth certificate, attorney's fees and court costs;

**9. OTHER ORDERS I AM REQUESTING** (explain request here): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**OATH OR AFFIRMATION AND VERIFICATION**

**I swear or affirm that the information on this document is true and correct under penalty of perjury.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

State of Arizona )

County of \_\_\_\_\_ )

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_

by \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Signer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Commission Expires

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

**I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I mailed a copy of my Response to the other party on:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Month, Day, Year)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Person who Mailed Response)

Name of Person Filing: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
ATLAS Number (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representing Self (No Attorney) or  Represented by Attorney  
If Attorney, Bar Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA  
PINAL COUNTY**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Petitioner

CASE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Respondent

**PARENTING PLAN FOR:**

- JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING WITH  
JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING  
AGREEMENT  
*or*  
 SOLE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING
- To Mother  
 To Father

**INSTRUCTIONS**

**This document has 4 parts:** PART 1) General Information PART 2) Legal Decision-Making and Parenting Time PART 3) Danger to Children Notification Statement, and PART 4) Joint Legal Decision-Making Agreement. Where this form refers to “children” it refers to any and all minor children common to the parties whether one or more.

**One or both parents must complete and sign the Plan as follows:**

- a. If only *one* parent is submitting the Plan; that parent must sign at the end of PART 2 and 3.
- b. If both parents agree to Legal Decision-Making and parenting time arrangements *but not to joint Legal Decision-Making*: Both parents must sign the Plan at the end of PART 2 and 3.
- c. If both parents agree to joint Legal Decision-Making and parenting time arrangements as presented in the Plan: Both parents must sign the Plan at the end of PART 2, 3, and 4.

**PART 1: GENERAL INFORMATION:**

**A. MINOR CHILDREN.** This Plan concerns the following children: (Use additional paper if necessary).

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**B. THE FOLLOWING LEGAL DECISION-MAKING ARRANGEMENT IS REQUESTED:**

(Choose ONE of 1, 2, 3 4.) (If you chose "sole Legal Decision-Making" [1 or 2], you have the option of also requesting restrictions on parenting time of the other party.)

**1. SOLE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING BY AGREEMENT.** The parents agree that Sole Legal Decision-Making and primary physical Legal Decision-Making should be granted to  Mother  Father.

The parents agree that since each has a unique contribution to offer to the growth and development of their minor children, each of them will continue to have a full and active role in providing a sound moral, social, economic, and educational environment for the benefit of the minor children, as described in the following pages,

**OR**

**2. SOLE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING REQUESTED BY THE PARENT SUBMITTING THIS PLAN.**

The parents cannot agree to the terms of Legal Decision-Making and parenting time. The parent submitting this Plan asks the court to order sole Legal Decision-Making and parenting time according to this Plan.

(Optional, if you marked 1 or 2 above)

**RESTRICTED, SUPERVISED, OR NO PARENTING TIME.**

The parent submitting this Plan asks the court for an order restricting parenting time. The facts and information related to this request are described in the Petition.

**OR**

**3. JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING BY AGREEMENT.** The parents agree to joint Legal Decision-Making and request the court to approve the joint Legal Decision-Making arrangement as described in this Plan. Primary physical Legal Decision-Making will be with  Mother  Father,

**OR**

**4. JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING REQUESTED BY THE PARENT SUBMITTING THIS PLAN.**

The parents cannot agree to the terms of Legal Decision-Making and parenting time or are unable to submit this plan together at this time. My request for Joint Legal Decision-Making is deferred for the court's determination.

**PART 2: LEGAL DECISION-MAKING AND PARENTING TIME. Complete each section below.**

**Be specific about what you want the judge to approve in the court order.**

**A. (School Year) WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND TIME-SHARING SCHEDULE:**

The children will be in the care of the Father as follows: (Explain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
The children will be in the care of the Mother as follows: (Explain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Other Legal Decision-Making arrangements are as follows: (Explain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Transportation will be provided as follows:

**Mother or**  **Father** will pick up the children up at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock.  
 **Mother or**  **Father** will pick up the children up at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock.

Parents may change their time-share arrangements by mutual agreement with at least \_\_\_\_\_ days notice in advance to the other parent.

**B. SUMMER MONTHS OR SCHOOL BREAK LONGER THAN 4 DAYS:** The weekday and weekend schedule described above will apply for all 12 calendar months **EXCEPT:**

During summer months or school breaks that last longer than 4 days, no changes shall be made.

**OR,**

During summer months or school breaks that last longer than 4 days, the minor children will be in the care of Father: (Explain).

\_\_\_\_\_  
During summer months or school breaks that last longer than 4 days, the minor children will be in the care of Mother: (Explain).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Each parent is entitled to a \_\_\_\_\_ week period of vacation time with the minor children. The parents will work out the details of the vacation at least \_\_\_\_\_ days in advance.

**C. TRAVEL:**

**Should either parent travel out of the area with the minor children, each parent will keep the other parent informed of travel plans, address(es), and telephone number(s) at which that parent and the minor children can be reached.**

**Neither parent shall travel with the minor children outside Arizona for longer than \_\_\_\_\_ days without the prior written consent of the other parent or order of the court.**

**D. HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:** The holiday schedule takes priority over the regular time-sharing schedule as described above. Check the box(es) that apply and indicate the years of the holiday access / Parenting time schedule.

<u>Holidays</u>	<u>Even Years</u>		<u>Odd Years</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> New Year's Eve	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> New Year's Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Spring Vacation	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Easter	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> 4 <sup>th</sup> of July	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Halloween	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Thanksgiving	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Hanukkah	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Christmas Eve	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Christmas Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Winter Break	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Child's Birthday	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father

**Mother's Day** will be celebrated with the Mother every year.

**Father's Day** will be celebrated with the Father every year.

**Each parent may have the children on his or her birthday.**

**Three-day weekends** which include Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, the children will remain in the care of the parent who has the minor children for the weekend.

**Other Holidays** (Describe the other holidays and the arrangement.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Telephone Contact:** Each parent may have telephone contact with the minor children during the child(ren)'s normal waking hours, **OR:** (Explain)

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**Other** (Explain):

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**E. PARENTAL ACCESS TO RECORDS AND INFORMATION:** Under Arizona law (A.R.S. §25-403), unless otherwise provided by court order or law, on reasonable request, both parents are entitled to have equal access to documents and other information concerning the minor children's education and physical, mental, moral and emotional health including medical, school, police, court and other records. A person who does not comply with a reasonable request for these records shall reimburse the requesting parent for court costs and attorney fees incurred by that parent to make the other parent obey this request. A parent who attempts to restrict the release of documents or information by the custodian of the records without prior court order is subject to legal sanctions.

**F. EDUCATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

Both parents have the right to participate in school conferences, events and activities, and the right to consult with teachers and other school personnel.

Both parents will make major educational decisions together. (Optional)  If the parents do not reach agreement, then: \_\_\_\_\_

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**OR**

Major educational decisions will be made by  Mother  Father after consultation other parent.

**G. MEDICAL AND DENTAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

Both parents have the right to authorize emergency medical treatment, if needed, and the right to consult with physicians and other medical practitioners. Both parents agree to advise the other parent immediately of any emergency medical/dental care sought for the minor children, to cooperate on health matters concerning the children and to keep one another reasonably informed. Both parents agree to keep each other informed as to names, addresses and telephone numbers of all medical/dental care providers.

Both parents will make major medical decisions together, except for emergency situations as noted above. (optional)  If the parents do not reach an agreement, then: \_\_\_\_\_

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**OR**

Major medical/dental decisions will be made by  Mother  Father after consultation other parent.

**H. RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ARRANGEMENTS: (Choose ONE)**

Each parent may take the minor children to a church or place of worship of his or her choice during the time that the minor children is/are in his or her care.

Both parents agree that the minor children may be instructed in the \_\_\_\_\_ faith.

Both parents agree that religious arrangements are not applicable to this plan.

**I. ADDITIONAL ARRANGMENTS AND COMMENTS:**

**NOTIFY OTHER PARENT OF ADDRESS CHANGE.** Each parent will inform the other parent of any change of address and/or phone number in advance **OR** within \_\_\_\_\_ days of the change.

**NOTIFY OTHER PARENT OF EMERGENCY.** Both parents agree that each parent will promptly inform the other parent of any emergency or other important event that involves the minor children.

**TALK TO THE OTHER PARENT ABOUT EXTRA ACTIVITIES.** Each parent will consult and agree with the other parent regarding any extra activity that affects the minor children's access to the other parent.

**ASK OTHER PARENT IF HE/SHE WANTS TO TAKE CARE OF THE CHILDREN.** Each parent agrees to consider the other parent as care-provider for the minor children before making other arrangements.

**OBTAIN WRITTEN CONSENT OR COURT ORDER BEFORE MOVING.** The notice required by this section shall be made by certified mail, return receipt requested, or pursuant to the Arizona rules of family law procedure. The court shall sanction a parent who, without good cause, does not comply with the notification requirements of this subsection. The court may impose a sanction that will affect legal decision-making or parenting time only in accordance with the child's best interests. **A.R.S. 25-408 (B)**

**COMMUNICATE.** Each parent agrees that all communication regarding the minor children will be between the parents and that they will **not** use the minor children to convey information or to set up parenting time changes.

**PRAISE OTHER PARENT.** Each parent agrees to encourage love and respect between the minor children and the other parent and neither parent shall do anything that may hurt the other parent's relationship with the minor children.

**COOPERATE AND WORK TOGETHER.** Both parents agree to exert their best efforts to work cooperatively in future plans consistent with the best interests of the minor children and to amicably resolve such disputes as may arise.

**NOTIFY OTHER PARENTS OF PROBLEMS WITH TIME-SHARING AHEAD OF TIME.** If either parent is unable to follow through with the time-sharing arrangements involving the minor child(ren), that parent will notify the other parent as soon as possible.

**PARENTING PLAN.** Both parents agree that if either parent moves out of the area and returns later, they will use the most recent "**Parenting Plan/Access Agreement**" in place before the move.

**MEDIATION.** If the parents are unable to reach a mutual agreement regarding a legal change to their parenting orders, they may request mediation through the court or a private mediator of their choice.

**NOTICE: DO NOT DEVIATE FROM PLAN UNTIL DISPUTE IS RESOLVED.**  
Both parents are advised that while a dispute is being resolved, neither parent shall deviate from this Parenting Plan. Or act in such a way that is inconsistent with the terms of this agreement.  
Once this Plan has been made an order of the Court, if either parent disobeys the court order related to parenting time with the children, the other parent may submit court papers to request enforcement.

**J. PART 2 SIGNATURE OF ONE OR BOTH PARENTS** (as instructed on page 1)

Signature of Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 3: STATEMENT REGARDING CONTACT WITH SEX OFFENDERS AND PERSONS CONVICTED OF DANGEROUS CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN.**

**According to A.R.S. §25-403.05, a child’s parent or custodian must immediately notify the other parent or custodian if the person knows that a convicted or registered sex offender or someone who has been convicted of a dangerous against children may have access to the child.**

According to A.R.S. §13-705 (P) (1), “Dangerous crime against children” means any of the following that is committed against a minor who is under fifteen years of age:

- (a) Second degree murder.
- (b) Aggravated assault resulting in serious physical injury or involving the discharge, use or threatening exhibit on of a deadly weapon or dangerous instrument.
- (c) Sexual assault.
- (d) Molestation of a child.
- (e) Sexual conduct with a minor.
- (f) Commercial sexual exploitation of a minor.
- (g) Sexual exploitation of a minor.
- (h) Child abuse as prescribed in section 13-3623, subsection A, paragraph 1.
- (i) Kidnapping.
- (j) Sexual abuse.
- (k) Taking a child for the purpose of prostitution as prescribed in section 13-3206.
- (l) Child prostitution as prescribed in section 13-3212.
- (m) Involving or using minors in drug offenses.
- (n) Continuous sexual abuse of a child.
- (o) Attempted first degree murder.
- (p) Sex trafficking.
- (q) Manufacturing methamphetamine under circumstances that causes physical injury to a minor.
- (r) Bestiality as prescribed in section 13-1411, subsection A, paragraph 2.
- (s) Luring a minor for sexual exploitation.
- (t) Aggravated luring a minor for sexual exploitation.
- (u) Unlawful age misrepresentation.

**The parent or custodian must provide notice by first class mail, return receipt requested, by electronic means to an electronic mail address that the recipient provided to the parent or custodian for notification purposes or by another form of communication accepted by the court.**

**PART 3 SIGNATURE OF ONE OR BOTH PARENTS** (as instructed on page 1)

**I/We have read, understand, and agree to abide by the requirements of A.R.S. §25-403.05(B) concerning notification of other parent or custodian if someone convicted of dangerous crime against children may have access to the child.**

**Signature of Mother:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Father:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 4: JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING AGREEMENT (IF APPLICABLE):**

**A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:** Arizona Law (A.R.S. §25-403.03) states that joint Legal Decision-Making shall NOT be awarded if there has been “a history of significant domestic violence”.

Domestic Violence has **not** occurred between the parties,  
**OR**

Domestic Violence **has** occurred but it has not been “significant” or has been committed by both parties.\*

**B. DUI or DRUG CONVICTIONS:**

Neither party has been convicted of driving under the influence or a drug offense within the past 12 months,  
**OR**

One of the parties HAS been convicted of driving under the influence or a drug offense within the past 12 months but the parties feel Joint Legal Decision-Making is in the best interest of the children.\*

• **IF THERE HAS BEEN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR A DUI OR DRUG CONVICTION:**

**Attach an extra page explaining why Joint Legal Decision-Making is still in the best interest of the children.**

**C. JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING AGREEMENT: If the parents have agreed to joint Legal Decision-Making, the following will apply, subject to approval by the Judge:**

1. **REVIEW:** The parents agree to review the terms of the / this agreement and make any necessary or desired changes every \_\_\_\_\_ months from the date of this document.

2. **CRITERIA.** Our joint Legal Decision-Making agreement meets the criteria required by Arizona law A.R.S. §25-403.02, as listed below:

a. The best interest of the minor children are served;

b. Each parent's rights and responsibilities for personal care of the minor children and for decisions in education, health care and religious training are designated in this Plan;

c. A schedule of the physical residence of the minor children,, including holidays and school vacations is included in the Plan;

d. The Plan includes a procedure for periodic review;

e. The Plan includes a procedure by which proposed changes, disputes and alleged breaches may be mediated or resolved;

f. A procedure for communicating with each other about the child, including methods and frequency.

**PART 4 SIGNATURE OF BOTH PARENTS REQUESTING JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING** (as instructed on page 1)

**Signature of Mother:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Father:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

# ***CHILD SUPPORT CALCULATOR***



**The Court Help website offers a Free Child Support Calculator.**

**◆ Simple**

**◆ Quick**

**◆ Accurate**

**If you have a personal computer with Internet access, you can access the Child Support Calculator at:**

**<http://www.azcourts.gov/familylaw>**

**Calculate Support**

Your computer must be attached to a printer. The Child Support Entry Form will open in Adobe Acrobat Reader. Begin by clicking the appropriate button for the Custodial Parent, then press the Tab button on your keyboard to move through the form, or click on each line with your mouse.

Enter the appropriate information on each blank. Not every blank needs to be completed in every case. If you are not sure whether you should complete a blank, click on the word next to the blank. You will be directed to additional information along with a link to the appropriate section in the [Arizona Child Support Guidelines](#).

When you have completed the Entry Form, click the "Calculate Support" button to get an estimate of the amount of child support that the noncustodial parent may have to pay to the custodial parent for the support of their child(ren).

After clicking on "Calculate Support" the following forms will automatically be filled in with the information from the Entry Form. Print forms and bring with you at the time of filing your initial paperwork.

- Parent's Worksheet for Child Support Amount
- Child Support Order
- Income Withholding Order/Notice for Support