

PARENTING PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT

Date: _____

Client Name: _____

Children and Their Ages: _____

I understand that pursuing custody and/or visitation involves hard work and active participation on my part. I further understand there are no guarantees as to the legal results in my case. Based on my love for my child(ren), I will comply to the best of my abilities with the following terms:

- I will educate myself on parenting:
 - I will take a parenting course.
 - I will join a parents' support group.
 - I will interact with other parents.
 - I will read parenting books.

- I will get to know my child(ren)'s teachers and caregivers:
 - I will schedule parent-teacher conferences.
 - I will check in periodically with teachers (i.e., _____ times per month).
 - I will volunteer for school events.
 - I will have lunch with my child(ren) at school.
 - I will schedule conferences with the school counselor.

- I will know all the facts surrounding my child(ren):
 - Who are my child(ren)'s friends?
 - What are my child(ren)'s favorite foods?
 - What is my child(ren)'s clothes size(s)?
 - Who are my child(ren)'s doctor and dentist?
 - Who are my child(ren)'s teachers?

- I will prepare nutritious, home-cooked meals for my child(ren).

- I will maintain a consistent routine for my child(ren) [i.e., a set time for meals, Bedtime, et cetera]

- I will protect my child(ren) from the litigation:
 - I will not discuss the case with my child(ren).
 - I will not show my child(ren) any of the documents in this case.
 - I will not discuss child support with my child(ren).

- I will not speak negatively about the other parent or allow anyone else to speak negatively about the other parent in my child(ren)'s presence.
- I will not allow the other parent to pull me into negative confrontation in the presence of my child(ren).
- I will keep a journal, calendar or diary to record dates and times of visitations, telephone contact and significant interactions with the other parent.
- I will be consistent with my contact with my child(ren); I will not rely heavily on babysitters, grandparents or other relatives unless I absolutely cannot care for our child(ren)[such as when I have to work].
- I will be consistent with my contact with my child(ren). I will not cancel visitation unless there are extreme, compelling reasons.
- I will transfer my child(ren) to the other parent bathed and groomed, fed, with appropriate clothing and with medications, if applicable.
- I will offer the other parent extra time with our child(ren).
- I will accept extra time with our child(ren).
- I will be prompt for all pick-ups and deliveries of our child(ren).
- I will be courteous and prompt regarding payment of child support.
- I will be courteous regarding receiving payment of child support.
- I will encourage good feelings between my child(ren) and the other parent:
 - I will help my child(ren) purchase cards and gifts for the other parent.
 - I will tell my child(ren) how much the other parent loves them.
 - I will help my child(ren) telephone the other parent regularly.
 - I will talk positively about any plans between my child(ren) and the other parent.
- I will keep the other parent duly informed:
 - I will provide copies of records to the other parent [i.e., report cards, doctor's notes school function notices, et cetra]
 - If long distance, I will provide photographs, drawings, et cetra, on a regular basis [i.e., every____months].
 - I will keep these items together in an envelope and provide them regularly to the other parent

- I will keep a calendar of the childrens activities and regularly provide a copy to the other parent.
- I will keep all communication with the other parent professional and business like
- I will always let the other parent know when I've received their message
- I will keep the other parent informed, verbally and in writing, as to my current address and telephone number.
- I will not consume or allow others to consume alcohol [or at least excessive alcohol] or drugs when our child(ren) is in my care.
- I will not allow anyone to smoke cigarettes in the presence of our child(ren).
- I will not allow our child(ren) to call anyone else "Mom" or "Dad".
- I will work towards presenting a unified front [with me and the other parent] regarding discipline and upbringing to our child(ren).
- Other:
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I agree to comply with the foregoing terms to the best of my ability. I understand that failure to comply could hurt my case and may serve as a basis for Grossman Law and and Conflict Management to withdraw as my counsel.

DATED: _____

Client's Signature