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Client Questionnaire – Child Custody

Please fill out this form as completely as possible. If you don't know the answer to any question, leave it blank.

I. About You

Name: _____

Maiden name (if applicable) _____

Birthdate: _____ Place: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Where do you currently live? _____

How long have you lived there? _____

Is there currently an open court proceeding regarding the children you have come to see us about? _____

--If so, what is the case number? _____

Have there been any prior court proceedings about these children? (Divorce action, custody action, etc) _____

--If so, what is the case number? _____

Have you consulted with an attorney for any past or present child custody or divorce issues?

--If so, attorney's name: _____

II. About Your Children's Parent

If you have children from more than one relationship, fill in this information ONLY for the other parent of the children whose custody may be in dispute.

Name: _____

Maiden name (if applicable) _____

Birthdate: _____ Place: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Where does this person currently live? _____

How long has (s)he lived there? _____

Is this person currently cohabitating with someone else?

--If so, person's name: _____

Does (s)he have an attorney? _____

--If so, attorney's name: _____

III. About the Children at Issue

These are the children (including unborn children) whose custody may be in dispute. If you have other children, but there are no custody issues regarding those children, do not put their names here.

Name: _____

Name: _____

Birthdate: _____ Place: _____

Birthdate: _____ Place: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Where does this child currently live? _____

Where does this child currently live? _____

How long has (s)he lived there? _____

How long has (s)he lived there? _____

Where did (s)he live before that? _____

Where did (s)he live before that? _____

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Name: _____

Birthdate: _____ Place: _____

Birthdate: _____ Place: _____

Social Security Number: _____

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Where did (s)he live before that? _____

Where did (s)he live before that? _____

If there are more children, please use the back of this sheet.

Is there any chance that you may currently have any unborn children? _____

IV. Your Household

In the following table, please list all people currently living in your household:

Name	Relationship to You

Name (continued)	Relationship to You (continued)

V. Your Preferences

Ideally, what kind of schedule would you like to see for each child? (Who should have parent time with which child, and when?) _____

What reasons would you give a court for accepting this type of schedule? _____

Do you think your children's other parent would agree with this? _____

What reasons would your children's other parent give a court for rejecting this type of schedule? *We need you to think about **any** possibility here, including any potential allegations regarding your fitness as a parent. We realize it's difficult to talk about such issues things at this point, but our experience is that such things usually come out sooner or later and things will be better both for you and for us if we are prepared to deal with any accusations that may come up. We will not share what you tell us with anyone without your consent.* _____

VI. Financial

Assets	<i>Please be as complete as possible with regard to yourself; estimates are fine regarding your child's other parent.</i>	
	You	Child's Other Parent
Annual salary		
Bank Accounts		
Retirement plans		
Investments		
Automobiles		
Real Property (land)		
Other Assets or Income		

Liabilities	<i>Please be as complete as possible with regard to yourself; estimates are fine regarding your child's other parent.</i>	
	You	Child's Other Parent
Mortgage or Rent		
Car		
Student Loans		
Credit Card		
Health Care Expenses and Debt		
Alimony		

Child Support Payments (not including children at issue here)		
Utilities		
Other		

Please return this form to our office as soon as possible. It is also important that you provide us with the following information:

- Your previous year's tax return*
- A year-to-date income statement for you*
- Documentation of any money you have paid to your spouse, or any bills you have paid on your spouse's behalf, since the date of separation.*
- If you can **legally** and **honorably** obtain it, any documentation regarding your child's other parent's financial status will be helpful.*