

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR
SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION FOR RELIEF IN PATERNITY ACTION**

The Court can enter an Order or Judgment establishing parental responsibilities, including shared or sole parental responsibility, primary residential care, visitation rights and child support if these issues were not decided at the time paternity only or paternity and child support were established. THESE FORMS ARE INTENDED TO BE USED WHEN THERE HAS BEEN A PRIOR ACTION TO ESTABLISH PATERNITY OR PATERNITY AND CHILD SUPPORT. If you want to change, rather than add to, an order that was previously entered, different forms are required.

Generally, you file the request in the County and State where the original Order or Judgment was entered. However, if your child has moved, you may be able to file your request at another location. YOU MAY NEED TO TALK TO AN ATTORNEY TO FIND OUT WHERE TO FILE YOUR REQUEST.

You must fill out this form, a Process Service Memorandum to Sheriff form, a Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act Affidavit form, and a Financial Affidavit and file all these forms with the Clerk of Court. Since you are requesting that the Court take action pursuant to a prior Order or Final Judgment, the "caption" (the Case Number, the Petitioner's name and the Respondent's name) of each document you file should be the same as the caption on the prior Order or Final Judgment.

You will be charged a filing fee and service of process fee. If you cannot afford these fees, you may be eligible to have your fees waived. Ask the Clerk about this when you file your papers. The service of process fee is for the Sheriff to personally deliver the Petition and other documents to the other parent in your case.

Once the other party in your case has been served with the Petition, you must wait at least twenty (20) days for them to file an Answer to your Petition. If an Answer is not filed within this time frame, you may ask the Clerk, in writing, to enter a Default. Once an Answer has been filed or a Default has been entered, you will be responsible for scheduling a hearing with the Court and providing the other party with written Notice of the hearing.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR _____ COUNTY, FLORIDA

_____ Case No. _____
Petitioner,

and

Respondent.

SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION FOR RELIEF IN PATERNITY ACTION

_____, (name), mother, father (check one),
files this Supplemental Petition in the above-styled cause against the other parent of the below
named child(ren) and respectfully shows unto this Honorable Court that:

1. This is a Supplemental Petition for the determination of issues concerning minor child(ren). The issues to be determined were not previously decided when paternity of the child(ren) was adjudicated.
2. The minor child(ren) _____

born to the parties on _____
now live(s) with the mother father (check one).
3. A court order entered in this case in Pasco County, Florida, on (date) _____, adjudicating the paternity of the child(ren) and **A COPY OF THE COURT ORDER IS ATTACHED TO THIS PETITION.**
4. A Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act Affidavit (Family Law Form 12.901(f) is Being filed with this Petition.
5. There is a need for a determination of the following issues **WHICH ARE NOT ALREADY COVERED BY THE PATERNITY ORDER** and the best interests of the Child(ren) will be served by the entry of a court order deciding these issues.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned parent respectfully requests the following relief from the court, including such other and further orders, temporary or permanent, as are authorized by law and are shown to be in the best interest of the parties' minor child(ren):

Check the following to indicate relief requested.

A. _____ Child support to be paid by the (Mother, Father - one) to the (Mother, Father - one).

_____ Child support should be set by the Florida child support guidelines. A copy of the child support guidelines Florida Family Law Form 12.901(g) is attached.

_____ Child support should NOT be set by the child support guidelines (Mother, Father - one) requests that the Court award a child support amount that is more than or less than Florida's child support guidelines. Both parties understand that a Motion to Deviate from Child Support Guidelines, Florida Family Law Form 12.943, **must** be completed and filed by one of the parties before the Court will consider this request.

B: _____ Petitioner requests that medical/dental insurance coverage for the minor child(ren) be provided by (Mother, Father - one).

_____ Petitioner requests that uninsured medical/dental expenses for the child(ren) be paid by:

[one only]

_____ a. Father.

_____ b. Mother.

_____ c. Father and Mother each pay one-half.

_____ d. Father and Mother each pay according to the percentages in the Child Support Guidelines Worksheet, Florida Family Law Form 12.901(g).

_____ e. Other {explain}: _____

_____ Petitioner requests that life insurance to secure child support be provided by (Mother, Father, Both parents- one).

C. _____ Parental Responsibility, which should be:

_____ shared by the parties, with primary residential responsibility (where child(ren) live) awarded to the (Mother, Father - one).

_____ sole, awarded to the _____, because shared parental responsibility would be harmful to the child(ren) for the following reasons: _____

D. _____ Visitation between the child(ren) and the(Mother, Father - one), which should be at times and places:

_____ decided by the court.

_____ as written in the visitation schedule which I am attaching to this Petition.

The visitation is in the best interest of the child(ren) because:

Signature of party filing Petition

Printed name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me on (date) _____, 20____,
by (name) _____.

NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF FLORIDA

(Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary)

_____ Personally known
_____ Produced identification. Type of identification produced _____

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, THE NONLAWYER WHO HELPED YOU MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:

[fill in all blanks]

I, {name of nonlawyer} _____, a nonlawyer, located at

{street} _____ {city} _____ {state} _____,

{phone} _____, helped {name} _____, who is the

[one only] _____ petitioner or _____ respondent, fill out this form.