

FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF

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In The Matter of a Proceeding for
(Custody) (Visitation) under Article
Six of the Family Court Act

Docket No.

Petitioner

S.S. #

PETITION
(CUSTODY)
(VISITATION)

-against-

Respondent

S.S. #

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TO THE FAMILY COURT:

The undersigned Petitioner respectfully shows that:

1. Petitioner, _____, (resides)(is located)[delete inapplicable provision] at [specify address]:

Petitioner is [specify relationship to child; if unrelated to the child (e.g. foster parent, agency or institution) so state]:

2. (Upon information and belief) Respondent (resides at)(is located)[delete inapplicable provision] at [specify address]:

(Upon information and belief) Respondent is [specify relationship to child. If unrelated to the child (e.g., foster parent, agency or institution) so state]:

3. This proceeding is commenced pursuant to Section(s) _____ of the Family Court Act (in that an order of referral was made and entered on _____, by the Supreme Court, County, referring the issue of (custody) (visitation) to the Family Court of the State of New York in and for the County of _____).

4. The name, present address, date of birth and social security number of each child who is the subject of this proceeding are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Social Security #</u>
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5. (Petitioner was married to the Respondent on _____, _____, at _____) and on _____, _____, (was legally separated) (divorced) (the marriage was annulled) by order of _____, County of _____.) [Delete inapplicable provisions]. A true copy of the (judgment)(separation agreement) is annexed hereto.)

6. [Check applicable box(es). Delete inapplicable provisions]:

a. The father of the child(ren) who (is)(are) the subject(s) of this proceeding is [specify]:

The father was married to the child(ren)'s mother at the time of the conception or birth.

An order of filiation was made on [specify date and court]:

An acknowledgment of paternity was signed on [specify date]:

by _____ [specify who signed]:

A true copy of said (order)(acknowledgment) is annexed hereto.

b. The father of the child(ren) who (is)(are) the subject(s) of this proceeding has not been legally established.

c. A paternity agreement or compromise was approved by the Family Court of _____ County on _____, _____, concerning [name parties to agreement or compromise _____ and child(ren)]:

A true copy of the agreement or compromise is annexed hereto.

7. (Upon information and belief)(Petitioner)(Respondent) (obtained custody of the child(ren) on _____, _____, as follows: _____.)

8. It would be in the best interests of the child(ren) to have (custody)(visitation) awarded to the Petitioner for the following reasons:

9. There has been a change of circumstances since entry of the (order) (judgment) awarding (custody) (visitation) in that:

10. (Upon information and belief) An Order of Protection or Temporary Order of Protection was issued [check applicable box(es): against Respondent against me in the following criminal, matrimonial or Family Court proceeding(s) [specify the court, docket or index number, date of order, next court date and status of case, if available]:

The (Order of Protection) (Temporary Order of Protection) expired or will expire on [specify]:

11. No previous application has been made to any court or judge for the relief herein requested, (except: _____).

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays for an order awarding (custody) (visitation) of the child(ren) named herein to (the Petitioner) and for such other and further relief as the Court may determine.

Dated:

_____ Petitioner
 _____ Print or Type Name
 _____ Signature of Attorney, if any
 _____ Attorney's Name (print or type)

 _____ Attorney's Address and Telephone Number

VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) :ss:
 COUNTY OF)

being duly sworn, says that (s)he is the Petitioner in the above-named proceeding and that the foregoing petition is true to (his)(her) own knowledge, except as to matters therein stated to be alleged on information and belief and as to those matters (s)he believes it to be true.

Petitioner

Sworn to before me this
day of

(Deputy) Clerk of the Court
Notary Public