

PARENTING COORDINATOR AGREEMENT

This is an Agreement between _____ and PAMALA CAMPBELL, M.S., of Renewed Hope, (*the Parenting Coordinator, PC*), to assist parties in developing a structured, mutually agreeable Parenting Plan.

I. PURPOSE

- A.** Parenting coordination helps parents create a child-focused, co-parenting relationship and develop healthy communication skills to manage conflicts, such as parenting time, exchange of information, telephone access, transportation, finances, childcare, children's education, and medical needs.

II. PC ROLE

- A.** Assist in creating structured guidelines for implementing a parenting plan
- B.** Help develop guidelines for communication between the parties
- C.** Recommend resources for continued learning and growth in parenting skills
- D.** Offer resources for developing improved parenting skills
- E.** Identify and help minimize potential sources and causes of conflict
- F.** These functions defined above are absent any decision-making powers.

The PC facilitates the resolution of parenting issues, and does not conduct mediation, counseling, or therapy for the parties. However, Pamala Campbell, a professional mediator and mental health counselor, may use her knowledge and expertise in the areas of conflict resolution and mental health care to inform her role as a PC.

III. PROCESS

- A.** Review parent interviews, evaluations, court-ordered mandates, investigator reports, and any other pertinent documents or records between the parties.
- B.** Conduct joint or individual initial interviews with the parents.
- C.** Facilitate resolution-focused conversations between the parents, coach parents on parenting strategies, and or refer parents or children to additional resources or professionals.
- D.** Review the parenting plan jointly or individually with the parties to identify any concerns needing clarification and ensure all parties are in agreement.

- E. All clarifications, new significant decisions, and modifications of the original parenting plan will be documented by the PC and signed and dated by each parent in an MOU.
- F. The parents are responsible for filing any changes to their parenting plan with the court.
- G. The mode of communication following the interviews will be via telephone and email.

IV. COURT ORDERED PC

- A. **A copy of the court Order of Appointment is required before commencement of service.**
- B. Should either party retain an attorney, changes his/her attorney, or decides to no longer have legal representation, each party is responsible for keeping the PC informed of their legal status.
- C. The PC cannot testify or be subpoenaed regarding the status of the case. The PC can only produce records related to fee collection issues.

V. CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. Parenting coordination is not a confidential process. However, you may be asked to complete a release form, and provide names and numbers of individuals with whom the PC can speak.
- B. Unless mandated by the judge or ethics board, the PC will not discuss your case with anyone other than those listed on the release of information
- C. Exceptions to confidentiality include mandated reporting of suspected child and elder abuse and or neglect, either parent or another person is in danger of bodily harm, and the PC has learned of the intent to commit a felony.

VI. COMMUNICATION

- A. Both parents should be copied on all written correspondence, emails, letters, and position statements.
- B. Should a parent request the PC to monitor any parent-to-parent text or email communication, the PC may determine the impropriety of language, and it will be addressed with the offending parent accordingly.
- C. Allegations concerning parent behavior must be sent to the PC with the other parent on copy.
- D. Reviews of parent-to-parent emails will be billed at the PC hourly rate.

VII. PAYMENT & FEES

- A. The rate for Parenting Coordination is \$150 per hour.
- B. Telephone conversations, reviewing documents and correspondences, interviews with children, written communications, travel, testifying in court, and communicating with the parents, therapists, or attorneys will be billed at the hourly rate.

C. Remittance of payment via Zelle or Venmo is due 48 hours before the session begins.

VENMO:

ZELLE:



pdsoup@gmail.com

I have read, understand, and agree to comply with all the provisions in this Agreement.

Signature of Party

Date

Signature of Parenting Coordinator

Date

Reproductions, facsimiles, and copies of the original signatures shall be as binding as the executed original.