

## REQUEST FOR ORDER: CUSTODY/VISITATION

### SELF-HELP FORM PACKET



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Self-Help Services can review your completed forms before you file them with the Court. To request review of your completed forms:

1. Complete the attached forms in black ink.
2. Scan your completed forms and save as a single PDF file.
3. Go to [\*\*www.occourts.org/self-help\*\*](http://www.occourts.org/self-help) (click the blue button labeled *Click Here to Contact Self-Help Services*), attach the PDF, and complete the online request form. Make sure to select FAMILY LAW as the case type on the form.

**1 USE Request for Order (form FL-300):**

- To schedule a court hearing and ask the court to make new orders or to change orders in your case. The request can be about child custody, visitation (parenting time), child support, spousal or partner support, property, finances, attorney's fees and costs, or other matters.
- To change or end the domestic violence restraining orders granted by the court in *Restraining Order After Hearing* (form DV-130). See *How Do I Ask to Change or End a Domestic Violence Restraining Order* (form DV-400-INFO) for more information.

**2 DO NOT USE Request for Order (form FL-300):**

- Before you have filed a Petition to start your case (form FL-300 may be filed with the Petition).
- If you and the other party have an agreement. For information about how to write up your agreement, get it approved by the court, and filed in your case, see <http://www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp-agreeFL>, talk to an attorney, or get help at your court's Self-Help Center or Family Law Facilitator's Office.
- When specific Judicial Council forms must be used to ask the court for orders. For example, to ask:
  - For a domestic violence restraining order, use forms [DV-100](#), [DV-109](#), and [DV-110](#).
  - For an order for contempt, use [form FL-410](#).
  - To cancel a child support order, use [form FL-360](#) or [form FL-640](#).
  - To cancel a voluntary declaration of parentage or paternity, use [form FL-280](#).

**3 Forms checklist**

- [Form FL-300](#), *Request for Order*, is the basic form you need to file with the court. Depending on your request, you may need these additional forms:
- To request child custody or visitation (parenting time) orders, you may need to complete some of these forms:
  - [FL-105](#), *Declaration Under Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act*
  - [FL-311](#), *Child Custody and Visitation (Parenting Time) Application Attachment*
  - [FL-312](#), *Request for Child Abduction Prevention Orders*
  - [FL-341\(C\)](#), *Children's Holiday Schedule Attachment*
  - [FL-341\(D\)](#), *Additional Provisions—Physical Custody Attachment*
  - [FL-341\(E\)](#), *Joint Legal Custody Attachment*
- If you want child support, you need:
  - A current [FL-150](#), *Income and Expense Declaration*. You may use [form FL-155](#), *Financial Statement (Simplified)* instead of form FL-150 if you meet the requirements listed on page 2 of form FL-155.
- If you want spousal or partner support or orders about your finances, you need:
  - A current [FL-150](#), *Income and Expense Declaration*
  - [FL-157](#), *Spousal or Partner Support Declaration Attachment* (if the request is to change a support judgment)
- If you want attorney's fees and costs, you need:
  - A current [FL-150](#), *Income and Expense Declaration*
  - [FL-319](#), *Request for Attorney's Fees and Costs Attachment* (or provide the information in a declaration)
  - [FL-158](#), *Supporting Declaration for Attorney's Fees and Costs Attachment* (or provide the information in a declaration)
- To request temporary emergency (ex parte) orders, you need:
  - [FL-305](#), *Temporary Emergency Orders* to serve as the proposed temporary emergency orders.
  - Your declaration describing how and when you gave notice about the request for temporary emergency orders. You may use [form FL-303](#), *Declaration Regarding Notice and Service of Request for Temporary Emergency (Ex Parte) Orders*.
  - Other forms required by local courts. See item 9 on page 3 of this form for more information.
- If you plan to have witnesses testify at the hearing, you need:
  - [FL-321](#), *Witness List*
- If you want to request a separate trial (bifurcation) on an issue, you need:
  - [FL-315](#), *Request or Response to Request for Separate Trial*



**4 Complete form FL-300 (Page 1)**

**Caption:** In the top box, print or type your name, address, telephone number, and email address if you have one. In the second box, put the court address. In the third box, write the name of the Petitioner, Respondent, and Other Parent/Party (if there is one). (You must use the party names as they appear in the petition that was originally filed with the court).

In the fourth box, check “CHANGE” if you want to change an existing order. Check “TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ORDERS” if you are asking the court to make emergency orders that will be effective until the hearing date. Then, check all the boxes that apply to the orders you are requesting. In the box on the right, write the case number.

**Item 1:** List the name(s) of the other person(s) in your case who will receive your request. In some cases, this might include a grandparent who is joined as a party in the case, a local child support agency, or a lawyer who represents a child in the case.

**Item 2:** Leave this blank. The court clerk will fill in the date, time, and place of the hearing.

**Item 3:** This is a notice to all other parties.

**Items 4–5:** Leave these blank. The court will complete them if it orders a hearing.

**Item 6:** In some counties, the court clerk will check item 6 and provide the details for your required child custody mediation or recommending counseling appointment. Other courts require the party or the party’s lawyer to make the appointment and then complete item 6 before filing form FL-300.

Ask your court’s Family Law Facilitator or Self-Help Center to find out what your court requires.

**Items 7–8:** Leave these blank. The court will complete them, if needed.

**5 Complete form FL-300 (pages 2–4)**

**6 Complete additional forms and make copies**

Complete any additional forms that you need to file with the *Request for Order*. Make at least two copies of your full packet.

PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY OR ATTORNEY NAME: FIRM NAME: STREET ADDRESS: CITY: TELEPHONE NO.: EMAIL ADDRESS: ATTORNEY FOR (Name):		STATE (BAR NO.): STATE: FAX NO.:	ZIP CODE: CASE NUMBER:
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF (STREET ADDRESS) MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:			
PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER PARENT/PARTY:			
REQUEST FOR ORDER <input type="checkbox"/> Child Custody <input type="checkbox"/> Child Support <input type="checkbox"/> Property Control		CHANGE <input type="checkbox"/> Visitation (Parenting Time) <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Order <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	
TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ORDERS <input type="checkbox"/> Spousal or Partner Support <input type="checkbox"/> Attorney's Fees and Costs			

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

1. TO (name(s)):  
 Petitioner  Respondent  Other Parent/Party  Other (specify):

2. A COURT HEARING WILL BE HELD AS FOLLOWS:

a. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Dept.: \_\_\_\_\_ Room: \_\_\_\_\_  
 b. Address of court  same as noted above  other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

3. **WARNING to the person served with the Request for Order:** The court may make the requested orders without you if you do not file a Responsive Declaration to Request for Order (form FL-320), serve a copy on the other parties at least nine court days before the hearing (unless the court has ordered a shorter period of time), and appear at the hearing. (See form FL-320-INFO for more information.)  
(Forms FL-300-INFO and DV-400-INFO provide information about completing this form.)

**COURT ORDER**  
(FOR COURT USE ONLY)

It is ordered that:

4.  Time  for service  until the hearing is shortened. Service must be on or before (date): \_\_\_\_\_  
 5.  A Responsive Declaration to Request for Order (form FL-320) must be served on or before (date): \_\_\_\_\_  
 6.  The parties must attend an appointment for child custody mediation or child custody recommending counseling as follows (specify date, time, and location): \_\_\_\_\_  
 7.  The orders in Temporary Emergency (Ex Parte) Orders (form FL-305) apply to this proceeding and must be personally served with all documents filed with this Request for Order.  
 8.  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ JUDICIAL OFFICER: \_\_\_\_\_

Form Adopted for Mandatory Use  
 Judicial Council of California  
 FL-300 (Rev. July 1, 2018) **REQUEST FOR ORDER** Family Code, §§ 2040, 2101, 8224,  
 4276, 4303.2(a), 4310, 4311,  
 Government Code, § 26102  
 Cal. Rules of Court, rule 5.52  
 www.courts.ca.gov

*Note: You may file one form FL-150 to respond to items 3, 4, and 6.*

**7 File your documents**

Give your paperwork and the copies you made to the court clerk to process. You may take them to the clerk’s office in person, mail them, or, in some counties, you can e-file them.

The clerk will keep the original and give you back the copies you made with a court date and time stamped on the first page of the *Request for Order*. The procedure may be different in some courts if you are requesting temporary emergency orders.

**8 Pay filing fees**

A fee is due at the time of filing. If you cannot afford to pay the filing fee, and you do not already have a valid fee waiver order in this case, you can ask the court to waive the fee by completing and filing [form FW-001, Request to Waive Court Fees](#) and [form FW-003, Order on Court Fee Waiver](#).



**9 Temporary Emergency (Ex Parte) Orders**  
(not domestic violence restraining orders)

Courts can make temporary orders in your family law case to respond to emergencies that cannot wait to be heard on the court’s regular hearing calendar.

*The emergency must involve an immediate danger or irreparable harm to a party or children in the case, or an immediate loss or damage to property.*

To request these orders:

- Complete form FL-300. Describe the emergency and explain why you need the temporary emergency orders before the hearing.
- Complete form FL-305 to serve as your proposed temporary orders.
- Include a declaration describing how and when you notified the other parties (or why you could not give notice) about your request and the hearing (see form FL-303).
- Complete other forms if required by your local court rules.
- Follow your court’s local procedures for reserving the day for the hearing, submitting your paperwork, and paying filing fees.

**12 Who can be a “server”**

You cannot serve the papers. Have someone else (who is at least 18 years old) do it. The “server” can be a friend, a relative who is not involved in your case, a sheriff, or a professional process server.

**13 “Personal Service”**

Personal service means that your “server” walks up to each person to be served, makes sure the right person is being served, and hand-delivers a copy of all the papers (and the blank forms). If the person served does not take the papers, the server may leave the papers near the person.



Note: Sometimes the papers may be personally served on the other party’s lawyer (if he or she has one) in the family law case.

**10 General information about “service”**

“Service” is the act of giving your legal papers to all persons named as parties in the case so that they know what orders you are asking for and have information about the hearing.

If the other parties are NOT properly served, the judge cannot make the orders you requested on the date of the hearing.

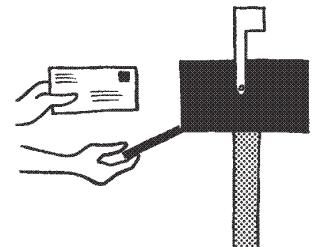
**11 Serve the Request for Order and blank forms**

The other party must be “served” with a:

- Copy of the *Request for Order* and all the other forms and attachments filed with the court clerk.
- Copy of any temporary emergency orders granted.
- Blank [form FL-320](#), *Responsive Declaration to Request for Order*.
- Blank [form FL-150](#), *Income and Expense Declaration* (if you served form FL-150 or FL-155).

**14 “Service by mail”**

means that your “server” places copies of all the papers (including blank forms) in a sealed envelope and mails them to the address of each party being served (or to the party’s lawyer, if the party has one).



The server must be 18 years of age or older and live or work in the county where the mailing took place.

**Important!** If you have questions about personal service or service by mail, talk to a lawyer or check with your court’s Family Law Facilitator or Self-Help Center at <http://www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp-courtresources.htm>.



**15 When to use personal service or service by mail****Personal Service**

Personal service is the best way to make sure the other adults in your case are correctly served. Sometimes you **must** use personal service.

You **must** use personal service when the court:

- Ordered personal service;
- Granted temporary emergency orders;
- Does not yet have the power to make orders that apply to the other party because he or she has either NOT previously:
  - Been served with a *Summons* and *Petition*;<sup>\*</sup>

OR

  - Appeared in the case by filing a:
    - a. *Response to a Petition*;
    - b. *Appearance, Stipulations, and Waivers*;
    - c. Written notice of appearance;
    - d. Request to strike all or part of the *Petition*; or
    - e. Request to transfer the case.

<sup>\*</sup>Note: A *Request for Order* may be served at the same time as the family law *Summons* and *Petition*.

1. After serving, the server must fill out a *Proof of Personal Service* ([form FL-330](#)) and give it to you. If the server needs instructions, the *Information Sheet for Proof of Personal Service* ([form FL-330-INFO](#)) can be provided.
2. Take the completed *Proof of Personal Service* form to the clerk's office (or e-file it, if available in your court) at least 5 court days before your hearing.

**Deadline:** The deadline for personal service is **16 court days** before the hearing date, unless the court orders a different deadline.

**Service by Mail**

If you are not required to use personal service, you may use service by mail.

**Important!** Check with your court's Family Law Facilitator's Office or Self-Help Center, or ask a lawyer to be sure you are allowed to use service by mail in your case.

A *Request for Order* to change a judgment or final order on the issue of child custody, visitation (parenting time), or child support may be served by mail if:

- The documents do not include temporary emergency orders;
- The court did not order personal service; and
- You have verified the other party's current home or office address. (You may use *Declaration Regarding Address Verification* ([form FL-334](#)).

To change a judgment or final order on any other issue, including spousal or domestic partner support, the *Request for Order* may need to be personally served on the other party.

1. After serving, the server must fill out a *Proof of Service by Mail* ([form FL-335](#)) and give it to you. If the server needs instructions, the *Information Sheet for Proof of Service by Mail* ([form FL-335-INFO](#)) can be provided.
2. Take the completed *Proof of Personal Service* form to the clerk's office (or e-file it, if available in your court) at least 5 court days before your hearing.

**Deadline:** Unless the court orders a different time, service by mail must be completed at least **16 court days PLUS 5 calendar days** before the hearing date (if service is in California). Other time lines apply for service outside of California.

**16 Get ready for your hearing**

- Take at least two copies of your documents and filed forms to the hearing. Include a filed *Proof of Service* form.
- Find more information about preparing for your hearing at <http://www.courts.ca.gov/1094.htm>.
- For information about having the other party testify in court, go to <http://www.courts.ca.gov/29283.htm>.

**17 After the hearing**, the order made on [form FL-340](#), *Findings and Order After Hearing*, must be filed and served.

**18 Do you have questions or need help?**

- Find a lawyer through your local bar association, the State Bar of California at <http://calbar.ca.gov>, or the Lawyer Referral Service at 1-866-442-2529.
- For free and low-cost legal help (if you qualify), go to <http://www.lawhelpca.org>.
- Contact the Family Law Facilitator or Self-Help Center for information and assistance, and referrals to local legal services providers. Go to <http://www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp-courtresources.htm>.

PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY OR ATTORNEY: _____ STATE BAR NO.: _____ NAME: _____ FIRM NAME: _____ STREET ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____ TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO.: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ ATTORNEY FOR (name): _____	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ORANGE</b> STREET ADDRESS: 341 THE CITY DRIVE SOUTH MAILING ADDRESS: _____ CITY AND ZIP CODE: ORANGE, CA 92868 BRANCH NAME: LAMOREAUX JUSTICE CENTER	
PETITIONER: _____ RESPONDENT: _____ OTHER PARENT/PARTY: _____	
<b>REQUEST FOR ORDER</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>CHANGE</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ORDERS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Child Custody <input type="checkbox"/> Visitation (Parenting Time) <input type="checkbox"/> Spousal or Partner Support <input type="checkbox"/> Child Support <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Order <input type="checkbox"/> Attorney's Fees and Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Property Control <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____	CASE NUMBER: _____

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

1. TO (name(s)): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Petitioner     Respondent     Other Parent/Party     Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**2. A COURT HEARING WILL BE HELD AS FOLLOWS:**

a. Date:	Time:	<input type="checkbox"/> Dept.:	<input type="checkbox"/> Room.:
b. Address of court <input type="checkbox"/> same as noted above <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify): _____			

3. **WARNING to the person served with the Request for Order:** The court may make the requested orders without you if you do not file a *Responsive Declaration to Request for Order* (form FL-320), serve a copy on the other parties at least nine court days before the hearing (unless the court has ordered a shorter period of time), and appear at the hearing. (See form *FL-320-INFO* for more information.)  
*(Forms [FL-300-INFO](#) and [DV-400-INFO](#) provide information about completing this form.)*

**COURT ORDER**  
(FOR COURT USE ONLY)

**It is ordered that:**

4.  Time  for service  until the hearing is shortened. Service must be on or before (date): \_\_\_\_\_
5.  A *Responsive Declaration to Request for Order* (form FL-320) must be served on or before (date): \_\_\_\_\_
6.  The parties must attend an appointment for child custody mediation or child custody recommending counseling as follows (specify date, time, and location): \_\_\_\_\_
7.  The orders in *Temporary Emergency (Ex Parte) Orders* (form FL-305) apply to this proceeding and must be personally served with all documents filed with this *Request for Order*.
8.  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
JUDICIAL OFFICER

PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	CASE NUMBER:
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**REQUEST FOR ORDER**

**Note:** Place a mark  in front of the box that applies to your case or to your request. If you need more space, mark the box for "Attachment." For example, mark "Attachment 2a" to indicate that the list of children's names and birth dates continues on a paper attached to this form. Then, on a sheet of paper, list each attachment number followed by your request. At the top of the paper, write your name, case number, and "FL-300" as a title. (You may use *Attached Declaration (form MC-031)* for this purpose.)

1.  **RESTRAINING ORDER INFORMATION**  
 One or more domestic violence restraining/protective orders are now in effect between *(specify)*:  
 Petitioner     Respondent     Other Parent/Party *(Attach a copy of the orders if you have one.)*  
 The orders are from the following court or courts *(specify county and state)*:
  - a.  Criminal: County/state *(specify)*: Case No. *(if known)*:
  - b.  Family: County/state *(specify)*: Case No. *(if known)*:
  - c.  Juvenile: County/state *(specify)*: Case No. *(if known)*:
  - d.  Other: County/state *(specify)*: Case No. *(if known)*:
  
2.  **CHILD CUSTODY**  I request temporary emergency orders  
 **VISITATION (PARENTING TIME)**
  - a. I request that the court make orders about the following children *(specify)*:  

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Legal Custody to</u> <i>(person who decides: health, education, etc):</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Physical Custody to</u> <i>(person with whom child lives):</i>
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  - b.  The orders I request for  child custody  visitation (parenting time) are:  [Attachment 2a.](#)
    - (1)  Specified in the attached forms:  
 [Form FL-305](#)     [Form FL-311](#)     [Form FL-312](#)     [Form FL-341\(C\)](#)  
 [Form FL-341\(D\)](#)     [Form FL-341\(E\)](#)     Other *(specify)*:
    - (2)  As follows *(specify)*:  [Attachment 2b.](#)
  
  - c. The orders that I request are in the best interest of the children because *(specify)*:  [Attachment 2c.](#)
  
  - d.  This is a change from the current order for  child custody  visitation (parenting time).
    - (1)  The order for legal or physical custody was filed on *(date)*: . The court ordered *(specify)*:
  
    - (2)  The visitation (parenting time) order was filed on *(date)*: . The court ordered *(specify)*:  

[Attachment 2d.](#)

PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	CASE NUMBER:
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3.  CHILD SUPPORT

(Note: An earnings assignment may be issued. See *Income Withholding for Support* ([form FL-195](#)))

a. I request that the court order child support as follows:

<u>Child's name and age</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> I request support for each child	<u>Monthly amount (\$) requested</u>
based on the child support guideline. (if not by guideline)		

b.  I want to change a current court order for child support filed on (date):  [Attachment 3a.](#)  
 The court ordered child support as follows (specify):

c. I have completed and filed with this *Request for Order* a current *Income and Expense Declaration* ([form FL-150](#)) or I filed a current *Financial Statement (Simplified)* ([form FL-155](#)) because I meet the requirements to file form FL-155.

d. The court should make or change the support orders because (specify):  [Attachment 3d.](#)

4.  SPOUSAL OR DOMESTIC PARTNER SUPPORT

(Note: An *Earnings Assignment Order For Spousal or Partner Support* ([form FL-435](#)) may be issued.)

- a.  Amount requested (monthly): \$
- b.  I want the court to  change  end the current support order filed on (date):  
 The court ordered \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month for support.
- c.  This request is to modify (change) spousal or partner support after entry of a judgment.  
 I have completed and attached *Spousal or Partner Support Declaration Attachment* ([form FL-157](#)) or a declaration that addresses the same factors covered in form FL-157.
- d. I have completed and filed a current *Income and Expense Declaration* ([form FL-150](#)) in support of my request.
- e. The court should should make, change, or end the support orders because (specify):  [Attachment 4e.](#)

5.  PROPERTY CONTROL

I request temporary emergency orders

a. The  petitioner  respondent  other parent/party be given exclusive temporary use, possession, and control of the following property that we  own or are buying  lease or rent (specify):

b. The  petitioner  respondent  other parent/party be ordered to make the following payments on debts and liens coming due while the order is in effect:

Pay to: _____	For: _____	Amount: \$ _____	Due date: _____
Pay to: _____	For: _____	Amount: \$ _____	Due date: _____
Pay to: _____	For: _____	Amount: \$ _____	Due date: _____
Pay to: _____	For: _____	Amount: \$ _____	Due date: _____

c.  This is a change from the current order for property control filed on (date):

d. Specify in [Attachment 5d](#) the reasons why the court should make or change the property control orders.



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6.  ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS  
 I request attorney's fees and costs, which total (specify amount): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ . I filed the following to support my request:
- a. A current *Income and Expense Declaration* ([form FL-150](#)).
  - b. A *Request for Attorney's Fees and Costs Attachment* ([form FL-319](#)) or a declaration that addresses the factors covered in that form.
  - c. A *Supporting Declaration for Attorney's Fees and Costs Attachment* ([form FL-158](#)) or a declaration that addresses the factors covered in that form.

7.  DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ORDER

- Do not use this form to ask for domestic violence restraining orders! Read [form DV-505-INFO](#), *How Do I Ask for a Temporary Restraining Order*, for forms and information you need to ask for domestic violence restraining orders.
- Read [form DV-400-INFO](#), *How to Change or End a Domestic Violence Restraining Order* for more information.

- a. The *Restraining Order After Hearing* (form DV-130) was filed on (date): \_\_\_\_\_
- b. I request that the court  change  end the personal conduct, stay-away, move-out orders, or other protective orders made in *Restraining Order After Hearing* (form DV-130). (If you want to change the orders, complete 7c.)
- c.  I request that the court make the following changes to the restraining orders (specify):  [Attachment 7c.](#)
- d. I want the court to change or end the orders because (specify):  [Attachment 7d.](#)

8.  OTHER ORDERS REQUESTED (specify):  [Attachment 8.](#)

9.  TIME FOR SERVICE / TIME UNTIL HEARING I urgently need:
- a.  To serve the *Request for Order* no less than (number): \_\_\_\_\_ court days before the hearing.
  - b.  The hearing date and service of the the *Request for Order* to be sooner.
  - c. I need the order because (specify):  [Attachment 9c.](#)

10.  FACTS TO SUPPORT the orders I request are listed below. The facts that I write in support and attach to this request cannot be longer than 10 pages, unless the court gives me permission.  [Attachment 10.](#)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information provided in this form and all attachments is true and correct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

▶

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)



**Requests for Accommodations**

Assistive listening systems, computer-assisted real-time captioning, or sign language interpreter services are available if you ask at least five days before the proceeding. Contact the clerk's office or go to [www.courts.ca.gov/forms](http://www.courts.ca.gov/forms) for *Request for Accommodations by Persons With Disabilities and Response* ([form MC-410](#)). (Civ. Code, § 54.8.)

PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT:	CASE NUMBER:
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**DECLARATION**

*(This form must be attached to another form or court paper before it can be filed in court.)*

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT)

- Attorney for     Plaintiff     Petitioner     Defendant
- Respondent     Other (*Specify*):

PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	CASE NUMBER:
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**CHILD CUSTODY AND VISITATION (PARENTING TIME) APPLICATION ATTACHMENT**

**—This is not a court order—**

TO  Petition  Response  Request for Order  Responsive Declaration to Request for Order  
 Other (specify):

1.  **Custody.** Custody of the minor children of the parties is requested as follows:

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Legal Custody to</u> (person who decides about health, education, etc.)	<u>Physical Custody to</u> (person with whom the child lives)
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2.  **Visitation (Parenting Time).**

**Note: Unless specifically ordered, a child's holiday schedule order has priority over the regular parenting time.**

- a.  Reasonable right of parenting time (visitation) to the party without physical custody (**not appropriate in cases involving domestic violence**).
- b.  See the attached \_\_\_\_\_-page document dated (specify date):
- c.  The parties will go to child custody mediation or child custody recommending counseling at (specify date, time, and location):
- d.  No visitation (parenting time).
- e.  Visitation (parenting time). (Specify start and ending date and time. If applicable, check "start of" OR "after school.")

**Petitioner's**  **Respondent's**  **Other Parent's/Party's** parenting time (visitation) will be as follows:

(1)  **Weekends starting** (date):

(Note: The first weekend of the month is the first weekend with a Saturday.)

1st  2nd  3rd  4th  5th weekend of the month

from \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  a.m.  p.m./ if applicable, specify:  start of school  
 (day of week) (time)  after school

to \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  a.m.  p.m./ if applicable, specify:  start of school  
 (day of week) (time)  after school

(a)  The parties will alternate the fifth weekends, with the  petitioner  respondent  other parent/party having the initial fifth weekend, which starts (date):

(b)  The  petitioner  respondent  other parent/party will have the fifth weekend in  odd  even numbered months.

(2)  **Alternate weekends starting** (date):

from \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  a.m.  p.m./ if applicable, specify:  start of school  
 (day of week) (time)  after school

to \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  a.m.  p.m./ if applicable, specify:  start of school  
 (day of week) (time)  after school

(3)  **Weekdays starting** (date):

from \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  a.m.  p.m./ if applicable, specify:  start of school  
 (day of week) (time)  after school

to \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  a.m.  p.m./ if applicable, specify:  start of school  
 (day of week) (time)  after school

(4)  Other visitation (parenting time) days and restrictions are:  [listed in Attachment 2e\(4\)](#)  
 as follows:

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3.  **Supervised visitation (parenting time).**
- a. **If item 3 is checked, you must attach a declaration that shows why unsupervised visitation (parenting time) would be bad for your children. The judge is required to consider supervised visitation if one parent or party is alleging domestic violence and is protected by a restraining order.**
  - b.  The person who supervises the visitation (parenting time) must meet the requirements listed in *Declaration of Supervised Visitation Provider* ([form FL-324](#)) under Family Code § 3200.5.
  - c. I request that (*name*): \_\_\_\_\_ have supervised visitation (parenting time) with the minor children according to the schedule set out on page 1.
  - d. I request that the visitation (parenting time) be supervised by (*name*): \_\_\_\_\_ who is a  professional  nonprofessional supervisor. The supervisor's phone number is (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. I request that any costs of supervision be paid as follows: petitioner: \_\_\_\_\_ percent; respondent: \_\_\_\_\_ percent; other parent/party: \_\_\_\_\_ percent.
4.  **Transportation for visitation (parenting time) and place of exchange.**
- a. The children will be driven only by a licensed and insured driver. The car or truck must have legal child restraint devices.
  - b.  Transportation **to** begin the visits will be provided by (*name*): \_\_\_\_\_
  - c.  Transportation **from** the visits will be provided by (*name*): \_\_\_\_\_
  - d.  The exchange point at the beginning of the visit will be (*address*): \_\_\_\_\_
  - e.  The exchange point at the end of the visit will be (*address*): \_\_\_\_\_
  - f.  During the exchanges, the party driving the children will wait in the car and the other party will wait in his or her home (or exchange location) while the children go between the car and the home (or exchange location).
  - g.  Other (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_
5.  **Travel with children.** The  petitioner  respondent  other parent/party **must** have written permission from the other parent or party, or a court order, to take the children out of the following places:
- a.  the state of California.
  - b.  the following counties (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_
  - c.  other places (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_
6.  **Child abduction prevention.** There is a risk that one of the parties will take the children out of California without the other party's permission. I request the orders set out on attached [form FL-312](#).
7.  **Children's holiday schedule.** I request the holiday and vacation schedule set out on the attached  [form FL-341\(C\)](#)  
 Other (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_
8.  **Additional custody provisions.** I request the additional orders regarding custody set out on the attached  [form FL-341\(D\)](#)  Other (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_
9.  **Joint legal custody provisions.** I request joint legal custody and want the additional orders set out on the attached  [form FL-341\(E\)](#)  Other (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_
10.  **Other.** I request the following additional orders (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY ( <i>Name, State Bar number, and address</i> ):   TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO. ( <i>Optional</i> ): _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS ( <i>Optional</i> ): _____ ATTORNEY FOR ( <i>Name</i> ): _____	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ORANGE</b> STREET ADDRESS: 341 THE CITY DRIVE SOUTH MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: ORANGE, CA 92868 BRANCH NAME: LAMOREAUX JUSTICE CENTER	
PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF:  RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT:  OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	
<b>WITNESS LIST</b>	CASE NUMBER(S):

Attachment to  Request for Order (FL-300)  Responsive Declaration (FL-320)  Other (*specify*):

Petitioner  Respondent  Other intends to call the following witnesses to testify  
 at the time of  hearing or  trial scheduled on (*date*):

Name	Subject and Brief Description of Testimony

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY OR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY (under Family Code, §§ 17400,17406 (Name, State Bar number, and address):  <hr/>  TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO.: _____ ATTORNEY FOR (Name): _____	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
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PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF:  RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT:  OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	CASE NUMBER:  (If applicable, provide): HEARING DATE: HEARING TIME: DEPT.:
<b>PROOF OF PERSONAL SERVICE</b>	

1. I am at least 18 years old, not a party to this action, and not a protected person listed in any of the orders.
2. Person served (name):
3. I served copies of the following documents (specify):  
 Request for Order (form FL-300), Attached Declaration (form MC-031), Witness List (form FL-321),  
 Order/Notice to Attend Mediation, Blank Responsive Declaration (form FL-320)
4. By personally delivering copies to the person served, as follows:
  - a. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ b. Time: \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Address: \_\_\_\_\_
5. I am
  - a.  not a registered California process server.
  - b.  a registered California process server.
  - c.  an employee or independent contractor of a registered California process server.
  - d.  exempt from registration under Business & Profession Code section 22350(b).
  - e.  a California sheriff or marshal.
6. My name, address, and telephone number, and, if applicable, county of registration and number (specify):
  
  
7.  I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.
8.  I am a California sheriff or marshal and I certify that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF PERSON WHO SERVED THE PAPERS)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (SIGNATURE OF PERSON WHO SERVED THE PAPERS)

## INFORMATION SHEET FOR PROOF OF PERSONAL SERVICE

Use these instructions to complete the *Proof of Personal Service* (form FL-330).

A person at least 18 years of age or older must serve the documents. There are two ways to serve documents: (1) personal delivery and (2) by mail. See the *Proof of Service by Mail* (form FL-335) if the documents are being served by mail. The person who serves the documents must complete a proof of service form for the documents being served. **You cannot serve documents if you are a party to the action.**

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PERSON WHO SERVES THE DOCUMENTS (TYPE OR PRINT IN BLACK INK)

You must complete a proof of service for each package of documents you serve. For example, if you serve the respondent and the other parent, you must complete two proofs of service; one for the respondent and one for the other parent.

*Complete the top section of the proof of service forms as follows:*

**First box, left side:** In this box print the name, address, and phone number of the person for whom you are serving the documents.

**Second box, left side:** Print the name of the county in which the legal action is filed and the court's address in this box. Use the same address for the court that is on the documents you are serving.

**Third box, left side:** Print the names of the petitioner/plaintiff, respondent/defendant, and other parent in this box. Use the same names listed on the documents you are serving.

**First box, top of form, right side:** Leave this box blank for the court's use.

**Second box, right side:** Print the case number in this box. This number is also stated on the documents you are serving.

**Third box, right side:** Print the hearing date, time, and department. Use the same information that is on the documents you are serving.

1. You are stating that you are over the age of 18 and that you are neither a party of this action nor a protected person listed in any of the orders.
2. Print the name of the party to whom you handed the documents.
3. List the name of each document that you delivered to the party.
4.
  - a. Write in the date that you delivered the documents to the party.
  - b. Write in the time of day that you delivered the documents to the party.
  - c. Print the address where you delivered the documents.
5. Check the box that applies to you. If you are a private person serving the documents for a party, check box "a."
6. Print your name, address, and telephone number. If applicable, include the county in which you are registered as a process server and your registration number.
7. You must check this box if you are not a California sheriff or marshal. You are stating under penalty of perjury that the information you have provided is true and correct.
8. Do not check this box unless you are a California sheriff or marshal.

**Print your name, fill in the date, and sign the form.**

*If you need additional assistance with this form, contact the family law facilitator in your county.*

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY <i>(Name, State Bar number, and address):</i>  <hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/>  TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO. <i>(Optional)</i> : _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS <i>(Optional)</i> : _____ ATTORNEY FOR <i>(Name)</i> : _____	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
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PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF: RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT: OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	CASE NUMBER:  <i>(If applicable, provide):</i> HEARING DATE: HEARING TIME: DEPT.:
<b>PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL</b>	

**NOTICE: To serve temporary restraining orders you must use personal service (see form FL-330).**

1. I am at least 18 years of age, not a party to this action, and I am a resident of or employed in the county where the mailing took place.
2. My residence or business address is:
  
3. I served a copy of the following documents *(specify)*:  
 Request for Order (form FL-300), Attached Declaration (form MC-031), Witness List (form FL-321), Order/Notice to Attend Mediation, Blank Responsive Declaration (form FL-320)  
  
 by enclosing them in an envelope AND
  - a.  **depositing** the sealed envelope with the United States Postal Service with the postage fully prepaid.
  - b.  **placing** the envelope for collection and mailing on the date and at the place shown in item 4 following our ordinary business practices. I am readily familiar with this business's practice for collecting and processing correspondence for mailing. On the same day that correspondence is placed for collection and mailing, it is deposited in the ordinary course of business with the United States Postal Service in a sealed envelope with postage fully prepaid.
4. The envelope was addressed and mailed as follows:
  - a. Name of person served:
  - b. Address:
  
  - c. Date mailed:
  - d. Place of mailing *(city and state)*:
5.  I served a request to modify a child custody, visitation, or child support judgment or permanent order which included an address verification declaration. *(Declaration Regarding Address Verification—Postjudgment Request to Modify a Child Custody, Visitation, or Child Support Order (form FL-334) may be used for this purpose.)*
6. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)



\_\_\_\_\_  
 (SIGNATURE OF PERSON COMPLETING THIS FORM)



## INFORMATION SHEET FOR PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL

Use these instructions to complete the *Proof of Service by Mail* (form FL-335).

A person at least 18 years of age or older must serve the documents. There are two ways to serve documents: (1) personal delivery and (2) by mail. See the *Proof of Personal Service* (form FL-330) if the documents are being personally served. The person who serves the documents must complete a proof of service form for the documents being served. **You cannot serve documents if you are a party to the action.**

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PERSON WHO SERVES THE DOCUMENTS (TYPE OR PRINT IN BLACK INK)

You must complete a proof of service for each package of documents you serve. For example, if you serve the respondent and the other parent, you must complete two proofs of service; one for the respondent and one for the other parent.

*Complete the top section of the proof of service forms as follows:*

**First box, left side:** In this box print the name, address, and phone number of the person for whom you are serving the documents.

**Second box, left side:** Print the name of the county in which the legal action is filed and the court's address in this box. Use the same address for the court that is on the documents you are serving.

**Third box, left side:** Print the names of the petitioner/plaintiff, respondent/defendant, and other parent in this box. Use the same names listed on the documents you are serving.

**First box, top of form, right side:** Leave this box blank for the court's use.

**Second box, right side:** Print the case number in this box. This number is also stated on the documents you are serving.

**Third box, right side:** Print the hearing date, time, and department. Use the same information that is on the documents you are serving.

**You cannot serve a temporary restraining order by mail. You must serve those documents by personal service.**

1. You are stating that you are at least 18 years old and that you are not a party to this action. You are also stating that you either live in or are employed in the county where the mailing took place.
2. Print your home or business address.
3. List the name of each document that you mailed (the exact names are listed on the bottoms of the forms).
  - a. Check this box if you put the documents in the regular U.S. mail.
  - b. Check this box if you put the documents in the mail at your place of employment.
4.
  - a. Print the name you put on the envelope containing the documents.
  - b. Print the address you put on the envelope containing the documents.
  - c. Print the date that you put the envelope containing the documents in the mail.
  - d. Print the city and state you were in when you mailed the envelope containing the documents.
5. Check this box if you are serving an address verification form (required for service by mail of a postjudgment request to change a child custody, visitation, or child support order).
6. You are stating under penalty of perjury that the information you have provided is true and correct.

**Print your name, fill in the date, and sign the form.**

*If you need additional assistance with this form, contact the family law facilitator in your county.*



**DO NOT write on the following blank forms!**

These blank forms must be served on the Other Party so that the Other Party may respond to this action. These blank forms must accompany a conformed (stamped) copy of all the forms that you prepared and filed today.

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**NO escriba en los siguientes formularios en blanco!**

Estos formularios en blanco deben ser entregadas a la Otra Parte para que la Otra Parte podrá responder a esta acción. Estos formularios en blanco deberán acompañar una copia conforme (sellada) de todas las formas que ha preparado y archivado hoy.



**1 If you received a *Request for Order* (form FL-300),**

- Carefully read the papers you received to make sure you understand what orders are being requested.
- Note the date, time, and location of the court hearing.
- Check to see if the court ordered a specific date for filing and serving your *Responsive Declaration to Request for Order* (form FL-320).
- If you need more time before the hearing to prepare a responsive declaration or talk with a lawyer, you may ask the court to continue the hearing date. For more information, consult with a lawyer or contact the the Family Law Facilitator or Self-Help Center in your court (see item **16**).

**2 USE *Responsive Declaration to Request for Order* (form FL-320)**

Use form FL-320 to let the court and the other party know that you agree or disagree with each of the requests made in the *Request for Order* (form FL-300).

- If you disagree, use form FL-320 to describe the orders you would like the court to make.
- If you do not file and serve form FL-320, the court can still make orders without your input.

**3 DO NOT USE *Responsive Declaration to Request for Order* (form FL-320) to:**

- Ask for court orders that were not requested in the *Request for Order* (form FL-300). Instead, file and serve your own *Request for Order* ([form FL-300](#)) to ask for orders about other issues.
- Respond to *Request for Domestic Violence Restraining Order* ([form DV-100](#)). Instead, you must use *Response to Request for Domestic Restraining Order* ([form DV-120](#)).

**4 Forms checklist**

- [Form FL-320](#), *Responsive Declaration to Request for Order* is the basic form you need. Depending on the requests made in the *Request for Order* (form FL-300), you may need other forms.
- For child custody or visitation (parenting time) orders, you may need to complete some of these forms:
  - [FL-105](#), *Declaration Under Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act*
  - [FL-311](#), *Child Custody and Visitation (Parenting Time) Application Attachment*
  - [FL-312](#), *Request for Child Abduction Prevention Orders*
  - [FL-341\(C\)](#), *Children’s Holiday Schedule Attachment*
  - [FL-341\(D\)](#), *Additional Provisions—Physical Custody Attachment*
  - [FL-341\(E\)](#), *Joint Legal Custody Attachment*
- For child support, you need:
  - A current [form FL-150](#), *Income and Expense Declaration*. You may use [form FL-155](#), *Financial Statement (Simplified)* instead of form FL-150 if you meet the requirements listed on page 2 of form FL-155.

*Notice:*

  - The court will order child support based on the income of the parents.
  - Child support normally continues until the child is 18 years and has graduated from high school.
  - You must give the court information about your finances. If you do not, the child support order will be based on information about your income that the court receives from other sources.
- For spousal or domestic partner support or orders about your finances, you need these forms:
  - [FL-150](#), *Income and Expense Declaration*
  - [FL-157](#), *Spousal or Partner Support Declaration Attachment* (if the request is to change a support judgment)
- For attorney’s fees and costs, you need these forms:
  - [FL-150](#), *Income and Expense Declaration*
  - [FL-158](#), *Supporting Declaration for Attorney’s Fees and Costs* (or provide the information in a declaration)
  - [FL-319](#), *Request for Attorney’s Fees and Costs Attachment* (or provide the information in a declaration)
- If you plan on having witnesses testify at the hearing, you need this form:
  - [FL-321](#), *Witness List*



**To respond to a *Request for Order*, you must:  
Complete caption of the form**

**5** Complete the top portion including your name, address, and telephone number, the court address, the name of all the parties in the case, and the case number. Also, print or type the same hearing date, time, and department that appears on the *Request for Order* (form FL-300).

**6 Specify a response to orders requested**

**Items 1–9:** Each item on the form matches the item numbers on the *Request for Order* (form FL-300). Complete item 1. Next, mark the same box that is marked on form FL-300. Then, specify if you consent (agree) or do not consent to (disagree with) the orders requested. If you disagree, describe the order you would like the court to make. *Note: you may file one form FL-150 to respond to items 3, 4, and 6.*

**Item 10:** Use the space to explain your responses to items 1–9. Include the reasons why you do not agree with the orders requested by the other party and why the court should make the orders you described. If you need more space, write your responses on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to the form (*Attached Declaration* (form MC-031) may be used for this purpose).

**Sign and date:** Print your name, sign, and write the date you signed form FL-320.

**7 Next steps: file or serve your paperwork**

You must file your paperwork with the court clerk at least 9 court days before the hearing. If the court orders a shorter time to file your papers, file them by the date specified in the order.

Make 2 copies of your original paperwork. Then, do one of the following before the filing deadline:

- Take your paperwork and copies to the court clerk to process (or e-file them, if available in your county). The clerk will keep the original and give you back copies with a court stamp on them. Have a stamped copy served; or
- Have an unstamped copy of your paperwork served *before* you take (or e-file) the originals and copies to the court clerk to file. Be sure the original documents are not served.

PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY OR ATTORNEY: STATE BAR NO: NAME: _____ FIRM NAME: _____ STREET ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____ TELEPHONE NO: _____ FAX NO. (OPTIONAL): _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ ATTORNEY FOR (NAME): _____		FL-320 FOR COURT USE ONLY
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF _____ STREET ADDRESS: _____ MAILING ADDRESS: _____ CITY AND ZIP CODE: _____ BRANCH NAME: _____		
PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER PARENT/PARTY:		CASE NUMBER: _____
RESPONSIVE DECLARATION TO REQUEST FOR ORDER		
HEARING DATE: _____ TIME: _____ DEPARTMENT OR ROOM: _____		

Read Information Sheet: Responsive Declaration to Request for Order (form FL-320-INFO) for more information about this form.

- RESTRAINING ORDER INFORMATION
  - No domestic violence restraining/protective orders are now in effect between the parties in this case.
  - I agree that one or more domestic violence restraining/protective orders are now in effect between the parties in this case.
- CHILD CUSTODY  
 VISITATION (PARENTING TIME)
  - I consent to the order requested for child custody (legal and physical custody)
  - I consent to the order requested for visitation (parenting time).
  - I do not consent to the order requested for  child custody  visitation (parenting time) but I consent to the following order: \_\_\_\_\_
- CHILD SUPPORT
  - I have completed and filed a current *Income and Expense Declaration* (form FL-150) or, if eligible, a current *Financial Statement (Simplified)* (form FL-150) to support my responsive declaration.
  - I consent to the order requested.
  - I consent to guideline support.
  - I do not consent to the order requested  but I consent to the following order: \_\_\_\_\_
- SPOUSAL OR DOMESTIC PARTNER SUPPORT
  - I have completed and filed a current *Income and Expense Declaration* (form FL-150) to support my responsive declaration.
  - I consent to the order requested.
  - I do not consent to the order requested  but I consent to the following order: \_\_\_\_\_

Form Adopted for Mandatory Use  
 Judicial Council of California  
 FL-320 (Rev. July 1, 2016)
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 Code of Civil Procedure, § 1002  
 Cal. Rules of Court, rule 6.02  
 www.courtinfo.ca.gov

**8 Pay filing fees**

Generally, you do not have to pay a fee to file the *Responsive Declaration*. However, if you have never filed any papers in the case, you may have to pay a “first appearance fee,” which, in general, everyone has to pay when filing court papers in a case for the first time.

If you cannot afford to pay the filing fee, you can ask the court to waive the fees. To do so, complete and file [form FW-001, Request to Waive Court Fees](#) and [form FW-003, Order on Court Fee Waiver](#).

**9 Serve your papers on the other party**

“Service” is the act of giving your legal papers to all persons named as parties in the case so that they know what orders you want the court to make. Note: If a party has a lawyer in the case, the papers should be served on that party’s lawyer.



**10 How to “serve”**

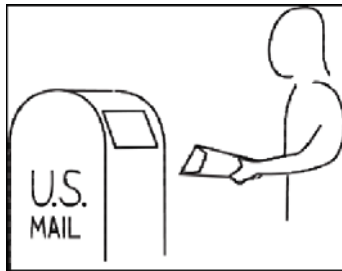
**Server.** You cannot serve the papers. Have someone else (who is at least 18 years old) do it. The “server” can be a friend, a relative who is not involved in your case, a county sheriff, or a professional process server.

**Personal service.**

Your papers may be served by “personal service.” “Personal service” means that your “server” walks up to each person to be served, makes sure he or she is the right person, and then gives a copy of all the papers to him or her.

**Service by mail.**

“Service by mail” means that your “server” places copies of all the documents in a sealed envelope and mails them to the address of each party being served (or to the party’s lawyer, if he or she has one.) The server must be 18 years of age or over and must live or work in the county where the mailing took place.

**11 Deadline for service**

Personal service or service by mail on the other party must be completed at least *9 court days* before the court hearing. If the court has ordered a shorter time to serve your responsive papers, be sure to have them served by the date specified in the court order.

**12 Server must complete a *Proof of Service***

After personal service, the server should complete a [form FL-330](#), *Proof of Personal Service*. [Form FL-330-INFO](#), *Information Sheet for Proof of Personal Service* has instructions to help the person complete the form.

After service by mail, the server should complete [form FL-335](#), *Proof of Service by Mail*. [Form FL-335-INFO](#), *Information Sheet for Proof of Service by Mail* has instructions to help the person complete the form.

**13 File the *Proof of Service* before your hearing date**

The *Proof of Service* shows the judge that the person received a copy of your *Responsive Declaration to Request for Order*. Make three copies of the completed *Proof of Service*. Take the original and copies to the court clerk as soon as possible **before your hearing**.

The clerk will keep the original and give you back the copies stamped “Filed.” Bring a copy stamped “Filed” to your hearing. (If unstamped copies of your paperwork were served, you can file the completed *Proof of Service* when you file the original *Responsive Declaration*.)

**14 Participate in child custody mediation or child custody recommending counseling**

If the *Request for Order* includes a court order for you to attend mediation or child custody recommending counseling, the date, time, and location is found on page 1 of the *Request for Order*. For more information, read *Child Custody Information Sheet* (form [FL-313-INFO](#) or form [FL-314-INFO](#)).

**15 Get ready for your hearing**

- Take at least two copies of your documents and filed forms to the hearing. Include a filed *Proof of Service* form.
- Find more information about preparing for the hearing at [www.courts.ca.gov/1094.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/1094.htm).

**16 Still have questions or need help?**

- Contact the Family Law Facilitator or Self-Help Center for information, local rules, and referrals to local legal services providers. Go to <http://www.courts.ca.gov/1083.htm/>.
- Talk to a lawyer if you want legal advice, someone to go to court with you, or other legal help. Find an attorney through your local bar association, the State Bar of California at [calbar.ca.gov](http://calbar.ca.gov), or the Lawyer Referral Service at 1-866-442-2529.
- For free and low-cost legal help (if you qualify), go to [lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://lawhelpcalifornia.org).

PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY OR ATTORNEY NAME: FIRM NAME: STREET ADDRESS: CITY: STATE: ZIP CODE: TELEPHONE NO.: FAX NO.: E-MAIL ADDRESS: ATTORNEY FOR (name):	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF Orange</b> STREET ADDRESS: 341 The City Drive South MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: Orange, CA 92868 BRANCH NAME: Lamoreaux Justice Center	
PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	
<b>RESPONSIVE DECLARATION TO REQUEST FOR ORDER</b>	
HEARING DATE: TIME: DEPARTMENT OR ROOM:	
CASE NUMBER:	

Read *Information Sheet: Responsive Declaration to Request for Order* ([form FL-320-INFO](#)) for more information about this form.

1.  **RESTRAINING ORDER INFORMATION**
  - a.  No domestic violence restraining/protective orders are now in effect between the parties in this case.
  - b.  I agree that one or more domestic violence restraining/ protective orders are now in effect between the parties in this case.
  
2.  **CHILD CUSTODY**  
 **VISITATION (PARENTING TIME)**
  - a.  I consent to the order requested for child custody (legal and physical custody).
  - b.  I consent to the order requested for visitation (parenting time).
  - c.  I do not consent to the order requested for  child custody  visitation (parenting time)  
 but I consent to the following order:
  
3.  **CHILD SUPPORT**
  - a. I have completed and filed a current *Income and Expense Declaration* ([form FL-150](#)) or, if eligible, a current *Financial Statement (Simplified)* ([form FL-155](#)) to support my responsive declaration.
  - b.  I consent to the order requested.
  - c.  I consent to guideline support.
  - d.  I do not consent to the order requested  but I consent to the following order:
  
4.  **SPOUSAL OR DOMESTIC PARTNER SUPPORT**
  - a. I have completed and filed a current *Income and Expense Declaration* ([form FL-150](#)) to support my responsive declaration.
  - b.  I consent to the order requested.
  - c.  I do not consent to the order requested  but I consent to the following order:

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5.  PROPERTY CONTROL

- a.  I consent to the order requested.
- b.  I do not consent to the order requested  but I consent to the following order:

6.  ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS

- a. I have completed and filed a current *Income and Expense Declaration* ([form FL-150](#)) to support my responsive declaration.
- b. I have completed and filed with this form a *Supporting Declaration for Attorney's Fees and Costs Attachment* ([form FL-158](#)) or a declaration that addresses the factors covered in that form.
- c.  I consent to the order requested.
- d.  I do not consent to the order requested  but I consent to the following order:

7.  DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ORDER

- a.  I consent to the order requested.
- b.  I do not consent to the order requested  but I consent to the following order:

8.  OTHER ORDERS REQUESTED

- a.  I consent to the order requested.
- b.  I do not consent to the order requested  but I consent to the following order:

9.  TIME FOR SERVICE / TIME UNTIL HEARING

- a.  I consent to the order requested.
- b.  I do not consent to the order requested  but I consent to the following order:

10.  FACTS TO SUPPORT my responsive declaration are listed below. The facts that I write and attach to this form cannot be longer than 10 pages, unless the court gives me permission.  [Attachment 10.](#)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information provided in this form and all attachments is true and correct.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_ (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)



\_\_\_\_\_ (SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT)

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY <i>(Name, State Bar number, and address):</i>  <hr style="width: 20px; margin-left: 0;"/>  TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO. <i>(Optional):</i> _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS <i>(Optional):</i> _____ ATTORNEY FOR <i>(Name):</i> _____	<b>FOR COURT USE ONLY</b>
<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ORANGE</b> STREET ADDRESS: <b>341 THE CITY DRIVE SOUTH</b> MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: <b>ORANGE, CA 92868</b> BRANCH NAME: <b>LAMOREAUX JUSTICE CENTER</b>	
PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF:  RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT:  OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	CASE NUMBER:  <i>(If applicable, provide):</i> HEARING DATE: HEARING TIME: DEPT.:
<b>PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL</b>	

**NOTICE: To serve temporary restraining orders you must use personal service (see form FL-330).**

1. I am at least 18 years of age, not a party to this action, and I am a resident of or employed in the county where the mailing took place.
2. My residence or business address is:
  
3. I served a copy of the following documents *(specify):*

by enclosing them in an envelope AND

- a.  **depositing** the sealed envelope with the United States Postal Service with the postage fully prepaid.
- b.  **placing** the envelope for collection and mailing on the date and at the place shown in item 4 following our ordinary business practices. I am readily familiar with this business's practice for collecting and processing correspondence for mailing. On the same day that correspondence is placed for collection and mailing, it is deposited in the ordinary course of business with the United States Postal Service in a sealed envelope with postage fully prepaid.

4. The envelope was addressed and mailed as follows:

- a. Name of person served:
- b. Address:
  
- c. Date mailed:
- d. Place of mailing *(city and state):*

5.  I served a request to modify a child custody, visitation, or child support judgment or permanent order which included an address verification declaration. *(Declaration Regarding Address Verification—Postjudgment Request to Modify a Child Custody, Visitation, or Child Support Order (form FL-334) may be used for this purpose.)*

6. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)



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 (SIGNATURE OF PERSON COMPLETING THIS FORM)