CHILD CUSTODY AND VISITATION DISPUTE DATAPACK
(for previously married parents)

Dear Prospective Client:

Child custody and visitation disputes are highly charged, volatile and extremely emotional situations. "Custody battles" are never simple and, very often, no one truly "wins". And, too often, the children become "collateral damage" in these cases.

Evaluation of your case will require an initial personal consultation so that we can understand the facts of your case and advise you about your rights and duties. We charge $200 for an initial consultation, during which we expect to give you a really good idea of what you can expect to happen in your custody dispute.

Before we can begin representing you, we will require (1) a signed contract which explains our respective obligations and (2) receipt of an engagement fee, the size of which will be based on our estimation of the amount of time needed to resolve your case. There is no guarantee, however, that all of your legal expenses will be covered by this Engagement Fee.

You will be billed for the amount of professional time required to adequately represent your interests in this matter. Resolution of visitation and child custody issues generally consume considerable attorney and paralegal time. Frequently, experts must be employed to perform custody evaluations and must be paid for those services as well as their witness fees if they have to testify. Custody litigation is not cheap!

Anything and everything you do to complete the attached CHILD VISITATION/CUSTODY DATA PACK (for previously married parents) and provide us with copies of any supporting documentation will help to reduce the amount of attorney and paralegal time required in your case.

Any information provided by you will, of course, be kept confidential and you are under no obligation until we both execute a written Engagement Agreement.

Very truly yours,

JAMES K. MURPHY
RUTH J. WILKERSON
WILLIAM L. HOGE, III
Attorneys at Law

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Hoge Partners, PLLC is the successor to Hoge & Associates, a law practice with a four-decade history of providing legal services throughout Metropolitan Louisville, including Jefferson, Oldham, Hardin and Bullitt Counties.

JAMES K. MURPHY
Jim Murphy is the Managing Partner of Hoge Partners, PLLC. He began practicing law in Kentucky in 1993. He graduated magna cum laude from Washington & Lee University and cum laude from the Lewis School of Law at Washington & Lee University.

Prior to joining Hoge & Associates in 2014, Jim's practice with another Louisville firm focused in commercial transactions, real estate and business. Since then, he has refocused his practice on Family Law matters with a special emphasis on associated business and real estate factors. Jim’s caseload includes a variety of Family Law matters including domestic violence actions and criminal defense in child support matters as well as processing divorces, child support, child custody and post-divorce litigation. He also has significant appellate experience.

RUTH J. WILKERSON
Ruth Wilkerson is a Partner of Hoge Partners, PLLC. She has been practicing law in Kentucky since 2010. A graduate of Transylvania University in Lexington, Kentucky and the Appalachian School of Law in Grundy, Virginia, Ruth has a varied legal background which included estate planning, workers compensation, personal injury litigation, employment law, civil rights discrimination and sexual harassment.

Ruth has focused on Family Law matters since joining the firm in 2014. She handles both contested and uncontested divorce actions, post-divorce litigation, modifications of child support and maintenance/alimony, disputed parenting matters such as visitation schedules and primary residence, adoption proceedings, child custody and domestic violence proceedings.

WILLIAM L. HOGE, III
Bill Hoge has been practicing law in Louisville since 1972 and focused on Family Law for better than half of that period. He retired from active practice in 2017. Bill remains of counsel to the firm of Hoge Partners, PLLC, providing advice and guidance to attorneys Jim Murphy and Ruth Wilkerson and handling a limited number of cases. He is still a Fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers and formerly served as the Chair of the Family Law Sections for both the Kentucky Bar Association and the Louisville Bar Association. The majority of Mr. Hoge's legal career has been dedicated to Family Law and being of service to people going through the divorce process in Kentucky, individuals needing assistance with post-divorce matters (child support, custody, visitation, etc.), victims of domestic violence, international parental abductions and others situations relating to Domestic Relations law.
CHILD VISITATION/CUSTODY DATA PACK
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Please Print

**Today's Date:**

**YOUR FULL NAME:**

**PRESENT ADDRESS:**

{Street Address or P. O. Box}

{City} {County} {State} {Zip}

**YOUR TELEPHONE:**

Home -- ___________________________ Work -- ___________________________

Mobile Phone or other means of contact – ___________________________

**YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS:**

**THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Please complete the remaining pages of this form

**Date of Initial Interview:** ___________________________

Interviewed by: ___________________________

Engagement Agreement signed? [___]Yes [___]No Date signed: ____________ Engagement Fee paid: $_________

Initial Pleadings Required:

[___] Paternity Petition

[___] Petition/Motion for Child Custody with Affidavit

[___] Petition/Motion for Temporary Custody of Minor Children with Affidavit

[___] Petition/Motion for Child Visitation with Affidavit

[___] Petition/Motion for Child Support with Affidavit

[___] Other Motions: ___________________________

MARKED PLEADINGS

[___] Restraining Order

[___] Interrogatories

[___] Request for Production of Documents

[___] Notice of Deposition

{Date} Video or Court Reporter? ___________________________

Deposing who? ___________________________

Time Frame for Deposition? ___________________________

[___] Other: ___________________________
How did you learn about us?  
- Referral from another attorney: ____________________________
- Personal referral from: ____________________________
- Our website at www.DivorceInKentucky.com
- Other: ____________________________

**PERSONAL INFORMATION ON YOU**

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NUMBER OF TIMES OTHER PARENT HAS BEEN MARRIED: ________________________________

IS OTHER PARENT CURRENTLY MARRIED? [____]Yes [____]No  If yes, to whom? ____________________

YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER PARENT

DATE RELATIONSHIP BEGAN: ____________________________________________________________

DATE RELATIONSHIP ENDED: __________________________________________________________

CIRCUMSTANCES OF BREAK-UP: ________________________________________________________

CHILDREN OF THE RELATIONSHIP

Number of children (regardless of age) born of this relationship: 0 1 2 3 4 5 ____________

Religious preferences of the parties as to the raising of the children: __________________________

Is there any risk or potential that your spouse might take the children somewhere against your wishes or without your consent? ("Parental abduction" either domestically [within the United States] or internationally?)

[____]Yes [____]No [____]Don't know [____]Never thought of that

If yes, where do you think he/she would take the children? ___________________________________

If yes, how great a risk do you believe parental abduction to be? ______________________________

Do any of your children have valid passports? [____]Yes [____]No

If yes, where were the children's passports issued? [____]U.S. [____]Elsewhere: ________________

Can you provide us with copies of the children's passports? [____]Yes [____]No

Please provide the following information concerning any children were born as a result of this relationship (including any child now over 18):

(1) Name: _______________________________________________________________________

Date of birth: _______________ Present Age: _________ Race: ____________________________

Child’s Social Security Number: _____________________-__________-_____________________

Current place of residence: ____________________________________________________________________

Child lives there with: __________________________________________________________________________

Child has lived there since: ______________________________________________________________________

* Previous residence: _________________________________________________________________________

Child lived there with: __________________________________________________________________________

Dates child lived at that address: ______________________________________________________________________
Child’s present school: ___________________________ Grade: ___________________________
With which parent does child wish to live? ____________________________

(2) Name: ____________________________________________

Date of birth: ___________ Present Age: _________ Race: __________________________
Child’s Social Security Number: ___________________-___________
Current place of residence: ___________________________________________________________
Child lives there with: ____________________________________________________________
Child has lived there since: _________________________________________________________

* Previous residence: _____________________________________________________________
Child lived there with: ____________________________________________________________
Dates child lived at that address: ____________________________________________________
Child’s present school: ___________________________ Grade: ___________________________
With which parent does child wish to live? ____________________________

(3) Name: ____________________________________________

Date of birth: ___________ Present Age: _________ Race: __________________________
Child’s Social Security Number: ___________________-___________
Current place of residence: ___________________________________________________________
Child lives there with: ____________________________________________________________
Child has lived there since: _________________________________________________________

* Previous residence: _____________________________________________________________
Child lived there with: ____________________________________________________________
Dates child lived at that address: ____________________________________________________
Child’s present school: ___________________________ Grade: ___________________________
With which parent does child wish to live? ____________________________

The Court requires that we list all residences and individuals with whom each minor child has lived for the past FIVE (5) years. If more space is needed, please use the back of this page.

IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN THREE CHILDREN FROM THIS RELATIONSHIP, PLEASE CONTINUE ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER.
IF YOUR CHILD OR CHILDREN OF THIS RELATIONSHIP HAVE ANY SPECIAL PROBLEMS (medical problems, learning disorders, etc.), please discuss those problems in detail:

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____________________________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________________________

CHILD CUSTODY

Has any minor child of this relationship ever been involved in a custody dispute? If so, please give details.

____________________________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________________________

Does anyone besides yourself and the other parent have any custody claim on any minor child of this relationship? If so, please identify.

____________________________________________________________________________________

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Please state who (IN YOUR OPINION) is best suited to have custody of the children and briefly explain your position.

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CHILD VISITATION

What are your present visitation arrangements with the other parent?

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What do you wish to change about your present visitation arrangements?

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Why do you wish to change this visitation arrangement?

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____________________________________________________________________________________

Why does the other parent object to this change in your visitation arrangement?

____________________________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________________________

**CHILD SUPPORT**

Have you and the other parent made any arrangements or agreements concerning custody, visitation or support of the child or children of this relationship? If so, please describe.

____________________________________________________________________________________

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Have either of you taken any legal action in the past concerning the paternity or support of the child or children of this relationship? If so, please describe.

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ATTACH COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTS CONCERNING ANY PREVIOUS LEGAL ACTION CONCERNING THE CHILD OR CHILDREN OF THIS RELATIONSHIP.

Do you wish to seek child support from the other parent?

____________________________________________________________________________________

Does the other parent wish to seek child support from you?

____________________________________________________________________________________

Why do you wish to change the child support arrangement you have previously had with the other parent?

____________________________________________________________________________________

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**FINANCES OF THE PARTIES**

Any documentation of the facts or figures which you can provide to substantiate your statements about your assets or the assets of the other parent will reduce the time necessary for the Attorney or paralegal to prepare your case.
The Kentucky Child Support Guidelines were enacted by the Legislature to provide the courts with a state-wide formula for determining the amount of child support the non-custodial parent will be required to pay to the parent having custody of the child of this relationship.

Please fill in the following blanks to permit us to calculate the amount of child support we anticipate the Court to grant to the custodial parent.

- Do you pay child support for other children born before the oldest child of this relationship?  
  - [ ] Yes  
  - [ ] No
    - If yes, how much?  
      $________ per ________
    - To whom?  
      __________________
    - Number of children:  
      __________________
    - Ages of children:  
      __________________

Number of minor children of this relationship:  
______________________________________________

Who is custodial parent?  
- [ ] Mother  
- [ ] Father

Mother's GROSS monthly income (before taxes):  
______________________________________________

Father's GROSS monthly income (before taxes):  
______________________________________________

Child's health insurance cost:  
$________ per month

Child's health insurance paid by:  
____________________

Daycare expense for children of this relationship (under age 12):  
$________ per month

Daycare expenses paid by:  
____________________

**YOUR GOALS**

Briefly state your goals and motivation in pursuing this matter.

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______________________________________________

What do you expect your attorney to accomplish in pursuing this matter.

______________________________________________

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