



Petitioner's Name or Lawyer's Name: (A) _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip Code: _____
 Telephone: _____
 ATLAS Number: _____
 Lawyer's Bar Number: _____
 Representing Self, without a Lawyer or Attorney for Petitioner OR Respondent

Respondent's Name or Lawyer's Name: (B) _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip Code: _____
 Telephone: _____
 ATLAS Number: _____
 Lawyer's Bar Number: _____
 Representing Self, without a Lawyer or Attorney for Petitioner OR Respondent

**SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
 IN MARICOPA COUNTY**

_____(C)
 Petitioner's Name

Case Number _____ (D)

**STIPULATION TO FILE CONSENT
 PATERNITY JUDGMENT/ORDER**

 Respondent's Name

STATE OF ARIZONA)
 County of Maricopa) ss.

INSTRUCTIONS: This document has a separate instruction sheet. The letters following the paragraphs match the letters in the instruction sheet. Each party must put his or her initials in the space provided for every statement that is true. **If any statement is not true, you cannot file a Consent Paternity Judgment/Order, and you should see a lawyer for help. If the statement does not apply to your case, write "N/A" for "not applicable" in the space for your initials.**

Petitioner's Respondent's
Initials Initials
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- 1. AGREE AND UNDERSTAND.** I have read this Stipulation and the Paternity Judgment/Order. I understand and agree with what is written in both documents, including that a Paternity Judgment/Order should be entered in my case. I have made sure that we have filled out the entire document and that there are no blanks, except for the blank date and signature line for the Judge or Commissioner ("Judicial Officer") to sign. **(E)**

2. **TIME FRAME.** Respondent was served on _____.
(Petitioner or Respondent must write in the date that the Respondent was served with the court papers or signed the Acceptance or Waiver of Service.) **(F)**

3. **PAYMENT OF COURT FEES.** I have paid the court fees. I am submitting a **copy of my receipt** to prove payment. **(Both** the Petitioner and the Respondent must provide a copy of his or her receipt.) **OR** I have received an initial Order Deferring my fees and/or costs and I have enclosed a copy of that Order. **(G)**

4. **SELF-ADHESIVE, REMOVABLE TABS OR MARKERS.** I have put self-adhesive, removable tabs or markers on the page(s) of the original and two 2) copies of the Paternity Judgment/Order where the Judicial Officer dates and signs the Judgment/Order. (I have used easily removable tabs. I have not used paper clips or tape.) **(H)**

5. **ORIGINAL DOCUMENT AND COPIES.** I am giving the Judicial Officer the following items: (Check each box to show that you have done each item.) **(I)**

- Original Stipulation to File** Consent Paternity Judgment/ Order, signed and notarized by you and the other party;
- Original and 2 copies of Paternity Judgment/Order**, signed and notarized by you and the other party;
- Two pre-addressed, postage paid envelopes (9"x 14"):** Address one envelope to yourself. Address one envelope to the other party. (The court will mail to you and other party a signed copy of the Judgment/Order.)
- A copy of the receipt(s) and/or Order(s) of deferral** that show that both parties have paid the court fees or have had the court fees deferred.

6. **APPEARANCE BY RESPONDENT.** The Respondent states that by signing this Stipulation, the Respondent has made a formal appearance and is submitting to the jurisdiction of this Court. **(J)**

7. **RIGHT TO TRIAL IS WAIVED.** I understand that by signing this Stipulation and signing the Judgment/Order, I am waiving my right to a trial before a judge. **(K)**

Petitioner's **Respondent's**
Initials **Initials**

8. NO DURESS OR COERCION. COMPLETE AGREEMENT. I am not under any force, threats, duress, coercion, or undue influence from anyone, including the other party, to sign this Stipulation. The Paternity Judgment/Order with attachments, if any, that I have signed is our full agreement. I have not agreed to something different from what is stated in writing in the Judgment/Order. **(L)**

9. LEGAL ADVICE. I understand that even if I am representing myself without a lawyer, I have the right to be represented by a lawyer. I have the right to call a lawyer and get legal advice before I sign this Stipulation and the Paternity Judgment/Order. **(M)**

10. JUDICIAL DISCRETION. I understand that the judge/ commissioner will review all the papers and decide in his or her discretion whether to sign the Paternity Judgment/Order or not. I understand that it takes at least thirty (30) days from the day that I submit the Judgment/Order for the Judicial Officer to sign the papers and return a copy to me. **(N)**

11. PARENTS OF THE MINOR CHILD(REN). I agree that _____ is the mother of the minor child(ren), and _____ is the father of the minor child(ren). **(O)**

12. CUSTODY, PARENTING TIME AND CHILD SUPPORT. The arrangement for custody, parenting time and child support are in the best interests of the minor child(ren). **(P)**
 Child Support has been calculated without any deviation from the guidelines. OR
 Child Support has been calculated and the parties agree and request a deviation from the guidelines for the following reasons: (Explain why the judge should allow you to deviate from the child support guidelines. Use additional paper if necessary.)

Petitioner's Initials Respondent's Initials

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13. **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.** If you are asking for joint legal decision making (joint custody) of the child(ren), you must check box "A" or box "B" and tell the judicial officer whether there has been domestic violence. **(Q)**

- A. Domestic violence **has not** occurred, OR
 - B. Domestic violence **has** occurred, but the domestic violence has not been significant.
- Explain why joint custody is in the best interest of the minor child(ren) even though domestic violence has occurred: (Use additional paper if necessary.)

14. **PARENT INFORMATION PROGRAM.** I have completed the **Parent Information Program** class and have filed the Certificate of Completion with the Clerk of the Court. **Copies of the Petitioner's and the Respondent's Certificates of Completion are enclosed.** **(R)**

State law requires that **both** the Petitioner and Respondent must attend the class and file the original **Certificate of Completion** with the Clerk of the Court before the judge will sign the Decree/Judgment/Order. The court understands that there are, in rare instances, times when the Respondent cannot attend the class. If the Respondent will not or has not completed the class, tell the judge why in the space below.

Keep in mind that the judge can still require both parties to attend the class before the judge will sign the Decree/Judgment/Order. You should also know that any party who refuses to attend the class, may be denied the right to seek modification and/or enforcement of the Decree/Judgment/Order until completion of the class.

15. **DOCUMENTS INVOLVING THE MINOR CHILDREN.**

You must give the Judicial Officer the following items. **(S)**
Check the box next to each item to tell the Judicial Officer that you are giving the Judicial Officer the following documents:

- Child support has already been ordered by this court. There is no need to change the child support order at this time. A copy of the child support order is attached. (Attach one copy of the signed order.)

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(If you check the box(es) below, you need to provide an **original and 2 copies** of the following:*

- Child Support Worksheet** signed and notarized by both parties.
- Child Support Order.** (*Not necessary if the Paternity Judgment/Order provides for the final amount, and the date child support payments begin.)
- Judgment Data Sheet.**
- If you have asked the court for joint or shared custody of the minor children, you must give the Judicial Officer an Original and 2 copies of a **Parenting Plan signed by both parties** that includes a statement that you and the other party agree to joint custody of the minor children.

UNDER OATH OR BY AFFIRMATION (SIGNATURES OF BOTH PARTIES) (T)

Everything stated by me in this Stipulation is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Petitioner's Signature	Date
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Sworn to/Affirmed before me this date: _____

Seal/My Commission expires:	Deputy Clerk or Notary Public
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Respondent's Signature	Date
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Sworn to/Affirmed before me this date: _____

Seal/My Commission expires:	Deputy Clerk or Notary Public
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SIGNATURE OF EACH LAWYER (if applicable): (U)

Approved by Petitioner's Lawyer: _____

Date: _____

Approved by Respondent's Lawyer: _____

Date: _____