

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF COBB COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA**

Plaintiff,
v.

**Civil Action
File No.:** _____

Defendant.

PARENTING PLAN

This is an agreement between _____ and _____, the parents
of the minor children whose names and birth years are as follows:

Child's Name	Year of Birth

By signing below, the parties recognize that:

- (a) a close and continuing parent-child relationship and continuity in the children's lives will be in the children's best interest;
- (b) the children's needs will change and grow as the children mature;
- (c) each parent shall make decisions regarding the day-to-day care of a child while that child is residing with that parent, including any emergency decisions affecting the health or safety of the children; decisions that affect the other parent's parenting time shall be communicated promptly; and
- (d) both parents will have access to all the children's records and information, including but not limited to education, health, extra-curricular activities, and religious communications.

Set forth below is the agreement of the parties on each of the issues listed:

- **Legal Custody**

- **Primary Physical Custody**

- **Major Decisions**

The parties will consult each other and attempt to arrive at consensus on major decisions. Should they be unable to reach consensus final decisions will be made as follows:

Non-emergency health care	☐ Plaintiff	☐ Defendant
Education	☐ Plaintiff	☐ Defendant
Religious upbringing	☐ Plaintiff	☐ Defendant
Extracurricular activities	☐ Plaintiff	☐ Defendant
	☐ Plaintiff	☐ Defendant
	☐ Plaintiff	☐ Defendant
	☐ Plaintiff	☐ Defendant

- **Parenting Schedule**

If the parties cannot otherwise agree, during the term of this parenting plan, the non-custodial parent or in joint custodial arrangements the ☐ Plaintiff / ☐ Defendant, shall have at a minimum the following parenting time:

- ☐ First and third weekend of each month
- ☐ First, third, and fifth weekend of each month
- ☐ Second and fourth weekend of each month
- ☐ Every other weekend, starting on _____, 20_____.
- ☐ Each _____ starting at _____ ☐ a.m./ ☐ p.m. and ending at _____ ☐ a.m./ ☐ p.m.
- ☐ Other: _____

- ☐ Weekday times include:
 - ☐ None
 - ☐ Every _____ evening.
 - ☐ Every other _____ evening during the week prior to a non-visitation weekend.
 - ☐ Every _____ and _____ evening.
 - ☐ Other: _____

For the purposes of this Parenting Plan, a weekend will start at _____ ☐ a.m./ ☐ p.m. on ☐ Thursday/ ☐ Friday/ ☐ Saturday/ ☐ Other: _____ and end at _____ ☐ a.m./ ☐ p.m. on ☐ Sunday/ ☐ Monday/ ☐ Other: _____.

Weekday time will begin at _____ ☐ a.m./ ☐ p.m. and will end at _____ p.m. when the children return(s) to school or day care the next morning.

Other: _____

This parenting schedule begins _____, 20____ or on the date of the Court's Order.

- **Fall Vacation**

The day-to-day schedule shall apply except as follows: _____

_____ beginning on _____, 20_____.

- **Winter Vacation**

The ☐ Plaintiff / ☐ Defendant shall have the children for the first period from the day and time school is dismissed until December _____ at ☐ a.m./ ☐ p.m. in ☐ odd numbered year/ ☐ even number years/ ☐ every year.

The other parent will have the children for the second period from the day and time indicated above until _____ at ☐ a.m./ ☐ p.m. The parties shall alternate the first and second periods each year. Or, the parties have chosen a different winter vacation plan as set out here:

- **Spring Vacation**

The day-to-day schedule shall apply except as follows: _____

_____ beginning on _____, 20_____.

- **Summer Vacation**

The day-to-day schedule shall apply except as follows: _____

_____ beginning on _____, 20_____.

Note: Parents will confer with each other by _____ each year to confirm school breaks/vacations and by _____ to determine summer parenting schedule.

- **Special Days and Holidays**

Indicate whether the child will be with the parent in ODD or EVEN number years or EVERY year:

Holiday	Plaintiff	Defendant	Start/Stop Time
Martin Luther King Jr. Day			
President's Day			
Mother's Day			
Father's Day			
July Fourth			
Labor Day			
Halloween			
Thanksgiving Day and Friday			
Child's Birthday			
Free School Days			
Plaintiff's Birthday			
Defendant's Birthday			
Religious Holidays			
Other			

- **Schedule Conflicts**

When holiday parenting times conflict with extended/summer parenting time:

- ☐ holiday schedule will be observed
- ☐ extended visitation will be uninterrupted
- ☐ other: _____

If there is conflict between the regular schedule and the holiday schedule, the holiday schedule will prevail.

For the purposes of this Parenting Plan, the holiday will start and end as follows:

- ☐ Holidays that fall on Friday will include the following Saturday and Sunday.
- ☐ Holidays that fall on Monday will include the preceding Saturday and Sunday.
- ☐ Other: _____

- **Transportation Arrangements**

Exchanging the children between the parents shall take place as follows: _____

Payment of long distance transportation costs, if applicable, will be paid by: ☐ Plaintiff/ ☐ Defendant / ☐ both equally.

Long distance for purposes of transportation are defined as: _____

Other transportation arrangements (Example: disabled parent, parent without a valid driver's license, other approved drivers, etc.): _____

Should the parent picking up the children exceed a _____ minute grace period without prior notification or alerting the other parent by phone of an unavoidable breakdown or delay en route, the parenting time for that period is forfeited.

Should either party repeatedly cause a delay by not having the children prepared for exchange or being late for pick-up or return, a modification of parenting time may be sought. Repeatedly causing delay is defined as: _____

- **Relocation**

If either parent decides to relocate more than _____ miles away from the other parent's home, the moving parent will give the other parent written notice of the intent to relocate no less than ☐ 30 days/ ☐ 60 days/ ☐ 90 days/ ☐ 180 days prior to the date of moving.

- **Communication Access**

The parents agree that when the children reside with one parent, the other parent will have the right to unimpeded telephone conversations with the children as follows: *[Check all that apply.]*

- ☐ Unrestricted telephone access during reasonable hours and of reasonable duration.
- ☐ _____ telephone calls to the children per day/week with the duration of each call not to exceed _____ minutes within the following time consideration: _____
- ☐ The children are allowed to call either parent at any time.
- ☐ Other agreed provisions for telephone/e-mail access: _____

- **Other Parenting Time Provisions and Agreements**

- ☐ Each parent shall promptly notify the other parent of a change of address, phone number, or cell phone number so that the other parent may exercise their parenting time, notify the other parent as needed, and reach the children while they are in the other parent's household.

☐ When making childcare arrangements while the children are with them, parents agree to the following (Ex: age before children will be left alone, appropriate caregivers, right of first refusal to provide care, etc.): _____

☐ Excluding any agreed limitation on access rights below, both parents will have access to the children's records and information, including but not limited to education, health, extracurricular activities and religious communications. Agreed limitations: _____

☐ Plaintiff/ ☐ Defendant will notify school authorities where children are enrolled each year to list both parents to receive all notifications and reports.

☐ Each parent shall promptly notify the other parent of any information received through the children concerning parent meetings, reports, school activities in which the children may be engaged or interested.

☐ Parents will consult with each other prior to scheduling any activity that will impact time the other parent spends with the children.

☐ Additional agreements: _____

- **Supervised Parenting Time**

☐ Supervised parenting time shall apply during day-to-day schedule as follows:

Place: _____

Person/Organization supervising: _____

Responsibility for cost: ☐ Plaintiff ☐ Defendant ☐ both equally

Any transition to alter supervised parenting would require _____

- **Modification of Plan**

Over time, as the children's and families' circumstances/needs change, parties may, by mutual agreement, vary the parenting schedule. Such altered agreements shall not be a binding court order and custody shall only be modified by court order.

- ☐ Prior to involving the court in resolving disagreements, parties will attempt further mediation, consultation with a child specialist/family counselor or _____.

I have read, understand, and agree to each of the provisions of this *Parenting Plan Agreement*, this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

(Sign your name before Notary) **Plaintiff, Self-Represented**

Name (print or type): _____

Address: _____

Daytime Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Sworn to and affirmed before me, this
_____ day of _____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: _____

(Notary Seal)

I have read, understand, and agree to each of the provisions of this *Parenting Plan Agreement*, this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

(Sign your name before Notary) **Defendant, Self-Represented**

Name (print or type): _____

Address: _____

Daytime Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Sworn to and affirmed before me, this
_____ day of _____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: _____

(Notary Seal)