

STATE OF WYOMING) IN THE DISTRICT COURT
) ss
COUNTY OF _____) _____ JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Petitioner: _____) Case Number _____
Person asking for prevention measures)
)
vs.)
)
Respondent: _____)
Person who will respond)
)

PETITION FOR AN ABDUCTION PREVENTION ORDER
(under Wyoming Statutes 20-8-101 through 20-8-112)

Wyoming Statute 20-8-102 says:

- “Abduction” means the wrongful removal or wrongful retention of a child.
- “Wrongful removal” means the taking of a child that breaches rights of custody or visitation given or recognized under the law of this state.
- “Wrongful retention” means the keeping or concealing of a child that breaches rights of custody or visitation given or recognized under the law of this state.

Under this law, **abduction** means taking, keeping, or hiding a child if the person who does that is breaking or ignoring someone else’s custody or visitation rights.

You can use this form to tell the Court if you think there is a risk that someone is going to abduct a child. This form **cannot** be used to replace a child custody or visitation case.

1. My name is _____ and I am the Petitioner in this case.
2. I'm filing this Petition about the following children: _____

3. My relationship to these children is:
 - ☐ natural parent.
 - ☐ adoptive parent.
 - ☐ legal guardian.
 - ☐ other: _____
4. My address is:

5. I am asking the Court for an Abduction Prevention Order because I'm afraid that the Respondent, whose name is _____, is going to abduct the children (take the children away or keep them without permission).
6. The Respondent's usual address is:

7. ☐ Right now, the Respondent is living someplace else. That address is:

8. This is why I think the Respondent is going to try to abduct the children: _____

Information about the Respondent's Actions

In this section, I will check the box and fill in the blank lines for everything that applies to the Respondent.

9. ☐ The Respondent abducted children before.

This is when it happened: _____

It happened in this state: _____

These are the names of the children who were abducted: _____

Here is more information: _____

10. ☐ The Respondent tried to abduct children before.

This is when it happened: _____

It happened in this state: _____

These are the names of the children who would have been abducted: _____

Here is more information: _____

11. ☐ The Respondent has threatened to abduct children before.

This is when it happened: _____

It happened in this state: _____

These are the names of the children who were threatened: _____

Here is more information: _____

12. ☐ The Respondent has abused children.

This is when it happened: _____

It happened in this state: _____

Here is more information: _____

13. ☐ The Respondent has neglected children.

This is when it happened: _____

It happened in this state: _____

Here is more information: _____

14. ☐ The Respondent has hurt or threatened to hurt family members or other people in their household.

This is when it happened: _____

It happened in this state: _____

Here is more information: _____

15. ☐ The Respondent has stalked someone.

This is when it happened: _____

It happened in this state: _____

Here is more information: _____

16. ☐ The Respondent has refused to follow a court's instructions about custody.

This is the case number from the custody case: _____

This is the date on the custody determination: _____

This is the name of the court that issued it: _____

This is information about the Respondent refusing to follow the court's instructions:

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17. ☐ The Respondent recently did things that make me think the Respondent is planning to move away.
- ☐ The Respondent recently quit their job.
 - ☐ The Respondent recently sold their house.
 - ☐ The Respondent recently broke their lease.
 - ☐ The Respondent recently did unusual things with their finances. (Examples are closing bank accounts or hiding money). This is what the Respondent did: _____

18. ☐ The Respondent recently got or tried to get these important documents:
- ☐ Visas for these children _____ from these countries _____
 - ☐ Passports for these children _____ from these countries _____
 - ☐ Other travel documents for these children _____ from these countries _____
 - ☐ Birth certificates for these children _____
 - ☐ School records for these children _____
 - ☐ Medical records for these children _____
19. ☐ The Respondent does not have strong ties to Wyoming. (This would include familial, financial, emotional, or cultural ties.)
20. ☐ The Respondent does not have strong ties to the United States. (This would include familial, financial, emotional, or cultural ties.)
21. ☐ The Respondent has strong ties to a state other than Wyoming. (This could include familial, financial, emotional, or cultural ties.)
- I think the Respondent has strong ties to these states: _____
- Here is more information: _____

22. ☐ The Respondent has strong ties to a country other than the United States. (This could include familial, financial, emotional, or cultural ties.)

I think the Respondent has strong ties to these countries: _____

Here is more information: _____

23. ☐ The Respondent's immigration or citizenship status is changing, and they might not be able to stay in the United States.

Here is more information: _____

24. ☐ The Respondent applied for United States citizenship, and they were denied.

This is when that happened: _____

Here is more information: _____

25. ☐ The Respondent has been dishonest with the government. (Examples are using forged documents to get a driver's license or misrepresenting facts on a government form.)

Here is more information: _____

26. ☐ The Respondent has used multiple names in order to mislead people or engage in fraud.

These are other names the Respondent used: _____

Here is more information: _____

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Information About the Children

(List one child at a time and give complete information about each child.)

Child's Full Name:	Date of Birth:	Gender:
☒ I will attach a copy of all court orders that talk about the custody of this child.		
Address where the child usually lives (including city, state, and zip code): 		
Names of adults who live at this address:		
The child lived there from to		
☐ The child is living somewhere else right now. Address where the child is living now (including city, state, and zip code): 		
Names of adults who live at this address:		
The child started living there on , 20		
I am this child's ☐ biological parent. ☐ adoptive parent. ☐ legal guardian. ☐ other:	The Respondent is this child's ☐ biological parent. ☐ adoptive parent. ☐ step-parent. ☐ legal guardian. ☐ other:	
☐ I do <u>not</u> know anyone else who has (or claims to have) legal rights to this child. OR ☐ I <u>do</u> know other people who have (or claim to have) legal rights to this child. Here is information about those people:		
Name: Address: Relationship to the child:	Name: Address: Relationship to the child:	Name: Address: Relationship to the child:

(List one child at a time and give complete information about each child.)

Child's Full Name:	Date of Birth:	Gender:
☒ I will attach a copy of all court orders that talk about the custody of this child.		
Address where the child usually lives (including city, state, and zip code): 		
Names of adults who live at this address:		
The child lived there from to		
☐ The child is living somewhere else right now. Address where the child is living now (including city, state, and zip code): 		
Names of adults who live at this address:		
The child started living there on , 20		
I am this child's ☐ biological parent. ☐ adoptive parent. ☐ legal guardian. ☐ other:	The Respondent is this child's ☐ biological parent. ☐ adoptive parent. ☐ step-parent. ☐ legal guardian. ☐ other:	
☐ I do <u>not</u> know anyone else who has (or claims to have) legal rights to this child. OR ☐ I <u>do</u> know other people who have (or claim to have) legal rights to this child. Here is information about those people:		
Name: Address: Relationship to the child:	Name: Address: Relationship to the child:	Name: Address: Relationship to the child:

(List one child at a time and give complete information about each child.)

Child's Full Name:	Date of Birth:	Gender:
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Address where the child usually lives (including city, state, and zip code): 		
Names of adults who live at this address:		
The child lived there from to		
☐ The child is living somewhere else right now. Address where the child is living now (including city, state, and zip code): 		
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I am this child's ☐ biological parent. ☐ adoptive parent. ☐ legal guardian. ☐ other:	The Respondent is this child's ☐ biological parent. ☐ adoptive parent. ☐ step-parent. ☐ legal guardian. ☐ other:	
☐ I do <u>not</u> know anyone else who has (or claims to have) legal rights to this child. OR ☐ I <u>do</u> know other people who have (or claim to have) legal rights to this child. Here is information about those people:		
Name: Address: Relationship to the child:	Name: Address: Relationship to the child:	Name: Address: Relationship to the child:

☐ There are more children involved. I will attach more of these charts to give information about the other children.

Information about Where People Lived

In this section, fill in the charts to let the Court know where each child has lived for the past five years. If some of the children have lived together for **all** of the past five years, you can list all of those children in one chart. List the child or children at the top of the chart.

In the column for dates, you'll start with now and work backward.

In the next column, you'll write the city and state where they lived. You don't have to write the street address of the home, but you can do that if you find it helpful to keep track.

In the last column, check the correct boxes to show who lived with the children in that home. You will need to write in the current address of every person who lived with the children. If you check the box for Petitioner (you) or Respondent, you don't have to repeat those addresses because you already listed those in Sections 4, 6, and 7.

You do need to write in the **current** address of any other people you list.

[The charts start on the next page. The rest of this page is left blank intentionally.]

All of the children listed in this chart have lived together for the past five years.

Children's Names: _____

Dates		City and State where the children lived	Name and current address of each person who lived in the home with them (Petitioner's and Respondent's addresses are already listed above.)
From (month and year)	To (month and year)		
	now		☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent ☐ Other People: _____ _____ _____ _____
			☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent ☐ Other People: _____ _____ _____ _____
			☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent ☐ Other People: _____ _____ _____ _____
			☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent ☐ Other People: _____ _____ _____ _____
			☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent ☐ Other People: _____ _____ _____ _____

☐ I will attach more of these charts to give information about where children lived.

All of the children listed in this chart have lived together for the past five years.

Children's Names: _____

Dates		City and State where the children lived	Name and current address of each person who lived in the home with them (Petitioner's and Respondent's addresses are already listed above.)
From (month and year)	To (month and year)		
	now		☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent ☐ Other People: _____ _____ _____ _____
			☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent ☐ Other People: _____ _____ _____ _____
			☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent ☐ Other People: _____ _____ _____ _____
			☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent ☐ Other People: _____ _____ _____ _____
			☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent ☐ Other People: _____ _____ _____ _____

☐ I will attach more of these charts to give information about where children lived.

Other Cases Involving the Children

27. ☐ None of the children named above have been involved in any other court cases.

OR

☐ Some or all of the children named above have also been involved in other court cases.

Information about those cases is below.

Type of case: ☐ custody / visitation ☐ guardianship ☐ protection order (order of protection, restraining order) ☐ abduction prevention ☐ other: _____	
Names of the children who are involved:	
☐ I am involved in this case (as a party or as a witness or in some other way).	
Parties (the adults involved in the case):	
Name: _____ Address: _____ ☐ Already listed above. _____ Relationship to the children: _____	Name: _____ Address: _____ ☐ Already listed above. _____ Relationship to the children: _____
Location of the Court City: _____ County: _____ State: _____	Name of the Court (for example, District Court, Fifth Judicial District) _____ _____
Case Number (this might include letters):	
☐ There is an Order or Decree in this case. It was issued on _____, 20__	
OR	
☐ There is no Order or Decree in this case.	
OR	
☐ I don't know if there is an Order or Decree in this case.	
☐ There is a hearing, trial, or meeting scheduled in this case. It is scheduled to happen on _____, 20__	

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Names of the children who are involved:	
☐ I am involved in this case (as a party or as a witness or in some other way).	
Parties (the adults involved in the case):	
Name: _____ Address: _____ ☐ Already listed above. _____ Relationship to the children: _____ _____	Name: _____ Address: _____ ☐ Already listed above. _____ Relationship to the children: _____ _____
Location of the Court City: _____ County: _____ State: _____	Name of the Court (for example, District Court, Fifth Judicial District) _____ _____
Case Number (this might include letters):	
☐ There is an Order or Decree in this case. It was issued on _____, 20____ OR ☐ There is no Order or Decree in this case. OR ☐ I don't know if there is an Order or Decree in this case.	
☐ There is a hearing, trial, or meeting scheduled in this case. It is scheduled to happen on _____, 20____	

☐ I will attach more of these charts to give information about other cases involving the children.

Other Cases Filed by the Parties

28. ☐ I have never filed any other case about abduction prevention or about domestic violence.

OR

☐ I have filed other cases about abduction prevention or about domestic violence. Here is information about those other cases.

The case was about: ☐ abduction prevention ☐ domestic violence	
☐ The case also involves the Respondent.	
OR	
☐ The case does not involve the Respondent.	
I filed the case on this date:	Case Number (this might include letters):
I filed the case in this location: City: _____ County: _____ State: _____	Name of Court (for example, District Court, Fifth Judicial District) _____ _____
☐ The case is over, and an Order was issued on this date: _____	
OR	
☐ The case is over, but no Order was issued.	
OR	
☐ The case is still going on.	

The case was about: ☐ abduction prevention ☐ domestic violence	
☐ The case also involves the Respondent.	
OR	
☐ The case does not involve the Respondent.	
I filed the case on this date:	Case Number (this might include letters):
I filed the case in this location: City: _____ County: _____ State: _____	Name of Court (for example, District Court, Fifth Judicial District) _____ _____
☐ The case is over, and an Order was issued on this date: _____	
OR	
☐ The case is over, but no Order was issued.	
OR	
☐ The case is still going on.	

☐ I will attach more of these charts to give information about other cases I filed.

29. ☐ I know that the Respondent has filed cases about abduction prevention or about domestic violence. Here is the information that I know about those other cases.

The case was about: ☐ abduction prevention ☐ domestic violence	
☐ I was also involved in the case. OR ☐ I was not involved in the case.	
The Respondent filed the case on this date:	Case Number (this might include letters):
The Respondent filed the case in this location: City: _____ County: _____ State: _____	Name of Court (for example, District Court, Fifth Judicial District) _____ _____
☐ The case is over, and an Order was issued on this date: _____ OR ☐ The case is over, but no Order was issued. OR ☐ The case is still going on. OR ☐ I don't know what happened with the case.	

The case was about: ☐ abduction prevention ☐ domestic violence	
☐ I was also involved in the case. OR ☐ I was not involved in the case.	
The Respondent filed the case on this date:	Case Number (this might include letters):
The Respondent filed the case in this location: City: _____ County: _____ State: _____	Name of Court (for example, District Court, Fifth Judicial District) _____ _____
☐ The case is over, and an Order was issued on this date: _____ OR ☐ The case is over, but no Order was issued. OR ☐ The case is still going on. OR ☐ I don't know what happened with the case.	

☐ I will attach more of these charts to give information about other cases the Respondent filed.

The next section, Section 30, can be confusing.

This section is about:

An adult who is not you and is not the Respondent
who has custody of one or more of the children you named in Section 2.

And it is about:

Cases that do not involve the children you named in Section 2.

Important Note: Any other cases that do involve the children you named in Section 2 should be listed in Section 27.

Cases Filed by Someone Else Who has Custody

30. ☐ Someone who is not me and is not the Respondent has custody of at least one of the children named in this case. I know that that person has filed cases about abduction prevention or about domestic violence. Here is the information that I know about those other cases.

Name of the person who filed the case: _____	
The case was about: ☐ abduction prevention ☐ domestic violence	
☐ I was also involved in the case. OR ☐ I was not involved in the case.	☐ The Respondent was also involved in the case. OR ☐ The Respondent was not involved in the case.
The person filed the case on this date: _____	Case Number (this might include letters): _____
The person filed the case in this location: City: _____ County: _____ State: _____	Name of Court (for example, District Court, Fifth Judicial District) _____ _____
☐ The case is over, and an Order was issued on this date: _____ OR ☐ The case is over, but no Order was issued. OR ☐ The case is still going on. OR ☐ I don't know what happened with the case.	

☐ I will attach more of these charts to give information about other cases the person filed.

Information about the Parties being Arrested in the Past

31. ☐ I have never been arrested for any crime related to domestic violence, stalking, child abuse, or child neglect.

OR

☐ I have been arrested for crimes related to domestic violence, stalking, child abuse, or child neglect. Here is information about those cases.

I was arrested on this date: _____	
I was arrested for crimes related to:	
☐ domestic violence ☐ stalking ☐ child abuse ☐ child neglect	
I was arrested in this location:	
City: _____	
County: _____	
State: _____	
☐ The Respondent was also involved in the situation.	
OR	
☐ The Respondent was not involved in the situation.	
☐ No charges were filed. ☐ All the charges were dismissed. ☐ I was convicted (found guilty). ☐ I was acquitted (found not guilty). ☐ The case is still going on. The next thing that's supposed to happen is _____	
Name of Court (for example, District Court, Fifth Judicial District) _____ _____	Case Number (this might include letters): _____

☐ I will attach more of these charts to give information about other times when I was arrested.

[The rest of this page is left blank intentionally.]

32. ☐ As far as I know, the Respondent has never been arrested for any crime related to domestic violence, stalking, child abuse, or child neglect.

OR

- ☐ I know that the Respondent has been arrested for crimes related to domestic violence, stalking, child abuse, or child neglect. Here is the information that I know about those cases.

The Respondent was arrested on this date:	
The Respondent was arrested for crimes related to: ☐ domestic violence ☐ stalking ☐ child abuse ☐ child neglect	
The Respondent was arrested in this location: City: _____ County: _____ State: _____	
☐ I was also involved in the situation. OR ☐ I was not involved in the situation.	
☐ No charges were filed. OR ☐ All the charges were dismissed. ☐ The Respondent was convicted (found guilty). ☐ The Respondent was acquitted (found not guilty). ☐ The case is still going on. The next thing that's supposed to happen is _____ ☐ I don't know what happened with the situation.	
Name of Court (for example, District Court, Fifth Judicial District) _____ _____	Case Number (this might include letters): _____

- ☐ I will attach more of these charts to give information about other times when the Respondent was arrested.

My Requests: Prevention Measures I Want the Court to Order

33. For all of the reasons discussed above, I respectfully ask the Court to issue an Abduction Prevention Order that applies to all of the children named above and that includes:
- ☐ modifications (changes) to the current custody and visitation rules.
 - ☐ supervised visitation for the Respondent and the children.
 - ☐ restrictions on where and when the Respondent can travel with the children.
 - ☐ restrictions on the Respondent's ability to get or keep travel documents

- (passports, visas, etc.) for the children.
- e. ☐ requirements that the Respondent share information about any travel plans that involve the children.
 - f. ☐ requirements that the Respondent make the United States government aware of restrictions on the Respondent traveling with the children.
 - g. ☐ requirements that the Respondent make the governments of these states and countries _____ aware of restrictions on the Respondent traveling with the children.
 - h. ☐ requirements that the Respondent get an order issued by these countries _____ that matches the custody and visitation rules that are ordered for the children in the United States.
 - i. ☐ requirements that the Respondent sign a waiver/consent form that gives the Court and me access to all documents about the children.
 - j. ☐ requirements that the Respondent post a bond or provide other security (give money to the Court or someone else to hold) to discourage the Respondent from abducting the children.
 - k. ☒ all reasonable and necessary abduction prevention measures, as allowed under Wyoming laws.

I state, under penalty of perjury, that I have read the information in this document, and I believe it is true and correct.

Dated: _____, 20__.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

STATE OF WYOMING)
) ss
COUNTY OF _____)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this _____ day of _____, 20__.
Witness my hand and official seal.

CLERK OF COURT/NOTARIAL OFFICER

My commission expires: _____