

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY  
STATE OF GEORGIA

\_\_\_\_\_  
Plaintiff

Vs.

Civil Action No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant

### CHILD SUPPORT ADDENDUM

*Instructions: Each paragraph with options and/or blanks contained in this Addendum must be completed, and it must be attached to final orders and judgments determining child support.*

**This Child Support Addendum is a part of a judgment or order in the above-styled action. The requirements of OCGA § 19-6-15 have been applied in determining the amount of child support. The Child Support Worksheet and Schedules (collectively the "Worksheet") attached hereto or filed contemporaneously herewith are a part of this Addendum. The facts, data and calculations shown on the Worksheet are hereby adopted as findings of the Court.**

- 1. Number of Children.** The number of children for whom support is being provided in the Child Support Order is shown on the Worksheet. *[If child support is being determined for only one child, "children" and associated grammar shall be read as if written in the singular, where appropriate.]*
- 2. Custodial/Noncustodial Parent:** The Noncustodial Parent for child support purposes is shown on the Worksheet. The other parent is the Custodial Parent.
- 3. Gross Income.** The monthly Gross Income of both parents is shown on the Worksheet.
- 4. Child Support Amount.** The \_\_\_\_\_ shall pay child support to the \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month beginning \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, and on the first of each month thereafter.
- 5. Split Parenting** - A split parenting situation occurs when the parents have two or more children together and at least one of the children spends more than 50% of the time with one parent and at least one of the children spends more than 50% of the time with the other parent. Separate Worksheets have been filed for the children living with the Mother and for the children living with the Father. The Mother is obligated to pay the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month to the Father, and the Father is obligated to pay the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month to the Mother.

*[Check and complete only one of the following sub-paragraphs.]*

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**Net Payment.** For so long as these amounts remain in effect, the \_\_\_\_\_ shall pay only the difference between the two amounts (which is \$ \_\_\_\_\_) to the, \_\_\_\_\_ who shall not be required to pay the child support obligation to the other parent.

**Zero Payment.** The parents' child support obligations are equal. For so long as the amounts remain equal, neither parent shall pay any child support to the other parent.

**Full Payment from Each Parent.** Each parent shall pay the full amount of child support to the other parent.

**6. Duration of Child Support.** Unless otherwise provided in the Child Support Order, with respect to each child, the obligations hereunder to pay child support, maintain health insurance, and pay uninsured health care expenses shall continue until the child reaches eighteen years of age, dies, marries or otherwise becomes emancipated; provided that, if a child reaches eighteen years of age before completing secondary school, the obligations to pay child support, maintain health insurance, and pay uninsured health care expenses for the child shall continue as long as the child is enrolled in and attending secondary school on a full-time basis, but shall terminate when the child reaches twenty years of age.

**7. Health, Dental and Vision Insurance.**

**Insurance Available.** The following insurance for the children involved in this action is available at a reasonable cost to the \_\_\_\_\_:

**Health**

**Dental**

**Vision**

So long as it remains available to that parent, the \_\_\_\_\_ shall maintain the types of insurance checked above for the benefit of the minor children, until each child reaches the age of eighteen, dies, marries or otherwise becomes emancipated; except that if a child becomes eighteen years old while enrolled in and attending secondary school on a full-time basis, then the insurance shall be continued for the child until the child has graduated from secondary school or reaches the age of twenty, whichever occurs first.

Additionally, the parent who maintains the insurance shall provide the other parent with an insurance identification card or such other acceptable proof of insurance coverage and shall cooperate with the other parent in submitting claims under the policy. Unless otherwise agreed, all money received by one of the parties for claims processed under the insurance policy shall be paid within five (5) days after the party receives the money to the other party (if that other party paid the applicable health care service provider) or to the applicable health care provider (if the provider has not been paid by one of the parties).

**Insurance Not Available.** Insurance (other than PeachCare or Medicaid) is not available at this time to either party at a reasonable cost. If health insurance for the children later

becomes available to the parent who is required to pay child support for these children, then that parent must obtain the following types of insurance, unless it is then being provided by the other parent:

**Health**

**Dental**

**Vision**

**8. Uninsured Health Care Expenses.** The FATHER shall pay \_\_\_\_\_% and the MOTHER shall pay \_\_\_\_\_% of all uninsured health care expenses incurred for the children.

**9. Deviations (Other Than Low-Income).**

**No Deviations.** None of the deviations under O.C.G.A. § 19-6-15 apply in this case.

**Deviation(s).** One or more of the deviations under O.C.G.A. § 19-6-15 applies in this case as shown by the attached Schedule E. Consideration has been given to all available income of each parent, all reasonable expenses of each parent, and the financial impact of each deviation on both parents. The presumptive amount of child support that would have been required under O.C.G.A. § 19-6-15 if no deviation(s) had been applied is shown on the worksheet. Additionally, Schedule E contains the statutory findings required in order to support the deviation(s).

**10. Low-Income Deviation.** If a low-income deviation is shown on the worksheet, the noncustodial parent requested the deviation and demonstrated either no earning capacity or that his/her *pro rata* share of the presumptive amount of child support would create an extreme economic hardship for that parent. All attributable and excluded sources of income, assets and benefits available to the noncustodial parent have been examined and all reasonable expenses actually paid by the noncustodial parent have been determined to be clearly justified. In attaining an appropriate award of child support that is consistent with the best interests of the children, the noncustodial parent's income, assets and benefits have been balanced with the relative hardship on the custodial parent's household, the needs of each parent, the needs of the children and the ability of the noncustodial parent to pay child support.

**11. Social Security Benefits.** If Title II Social Security benefits for the children from the account of the Noncustodial Parent are shown on the Worksheet, such benefits shall be counted as child support payments, and shall be applied to the child support to be paid by such parent. If the amount of benefits received is less than the amount of support ordered, the Noncustodial Parent shall pay the amount exceeding the Social Security benefit. If the amount of benefits received is equal to or more than the amount of support ordered, the Noncustodial Parent's responsibility is met and no further support shall be paid. Any Title II benefits received by the Custodial Parent for the children's benefit shall be retained by the Custodial Parent for the children's benefit, and shall not be used as a reason for decreasing the amount of child support or reducing arrearages.

**12. Parenting Time.** The approximate number of days of parenting time per year according to the visitation order is \_\_\_\_% [enter either a percentage or number of calendar days] for the MOTHER and \_\_\_\_% [enter either a percentage or number of calendar days] for the FATHER.

**13. Modification.**

*[Check one of the following sub-paragraphs.]*

**Not a Modification Action.** This is an initial determination of child support, not a modification action.

**Support Not Modified.** This is a modification action, but the order does not modify the amount of child support that was previously ordered for the children. The date of the initial support order is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Support Amount Modified.** The order modifies the amount of child support that was previously ordered for the children. The date of the initial support order is \_\_\_\_\_ . The basis for the modification is:

- Substantial change in the income and financial status of the Father;
- Substantial change in the income and financial status of the Mother;
- Substantial change in the needs of the children;
- The noncustodial parent failed to exercise visitation provided under the prior order;
- The noncustodial parent has exercised more visitation than was provided in the prior order;
- Involuntary loss of income by \_\_\_\_\_.

**14. Continuing Garnishment for Child Support.** Whenever in violation of the terms of the Child Support Order, there has been a failure to make child support payments so that the amount unpaid is equal to or greater than the amount payable for one month, child support may be collected by the process of continuing garnishment for child support.

**15. Income Deduction Order.**

*[Check one of the following sub-paragraphs.]*

There is good cause or the parties have agreed not to require an Income Deduction Order at this time. Income deduction will not serve the children's best interest. The noncustodial parent shall pay child support directly to the custodial parent.

The custodial parent may request an Income Deduction Order if there is a delinquency equal to one month's support.

- ( ) An Income Deduction Order for payment of child support shall be entered by the Court pursuant to OCGA § 19-6-32. The Income Deduction Order shall take effect if there is a delinquency equal to one month's support. The Income Deduction Order may be enforced by serving a "Notice of Delinquency" as provided in OCGA § 19-6-32 (f).
- ( ) An Income Deduction Order for payment of child support shall be entered by the Court pursuant to OCGA § 19-6-32. The Income Deduction Order shall take effect immediately upon entry by the Court.
- ( ) Should either of the parties open a case in the Office of Child Support Recovery Services, that office is authorized to issue an income deduction order.

**16. Emancipation.** Child support has been determined for \_\_\_\_\_ children in this case. When the number of children for whom child support is owed decreases, the amount of support shall decrease as follows:

*[Check and complete the following sub-paragraphs as applicable.]*

- ( ) When there are only *five* children for whom child support is owed, the noncustodial parent shall pay child support of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month beginning on the due date of the next child support payment.
- ( ) When there are only *four* children for whom child support is owed, the noncustodial parent shall pay child support of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month beginning on the due date of the next child support payment.
- ( ) When there are only *three* children for whom child support is owed, the noncustodial parent shall pay child support of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month beginning on the due date of the next child support payment.
- ( ) When there are only *two* children for whom child support is owed, the noncustodial parent shall pay child support of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month beginning on the due date of the next child support payment.
- ( ) When there is only *one* child for whom child support is owed, the noncustodial parent shall pay child support of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month beginning on the due date of the next child support payment.

The foregoing is not intended to restrict either parent's right to seek a modification of child support under applicable law.

**17. Additional Provisions.**

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**ORDER**

This Child Support Addendum is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the Child Support Order. If this Addendum or the Worksheet conflicts with the Child Support Order, the Child Support Order shall control. If the Worksheet conflicts with this Addendum, this Addendum shall control.

**SO ORDERED, THIS THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge, Superior Court,  
Chatham County, GA, E.J.C.

**Agreement of the Parties**

The parties hereby agree to the terms of this Child Support Addendum. If signed by a party, the party affirms that the information he/she has provided in connection with the preparation of this addendum is true and correct. If signed by an attorney, the attorney certifies that this addendum accurately represents information obtained from his/her client which is believed to be true and correct.

*[This paragraph may be deleted if not signed by or on behalf of both parties.]*

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