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INDEX THE ARRANGEMENT AND QUESTION

Create neutral references. The attorney, not this worksheet, assesses the facts, law and available options.

A helpful preparation resource from PickYourPro.ai. Fill in digitally or print. Keep your completed copy private.

Matter label / no names, case number or location

Arrangement Reference A / order, agreement, informal arrangement or unresolved category only

What exists now / broad arrangement category, no schedule or order text

Requested change, concern or issue question / category only, no allegations

Routine impact category A / no child identity or private facts

Attorney Question A / what you want qualified counsel to assess

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MAP ROUTINE AND COORDINATION CATEGORIES

Use categories to prepare the private conversation; do not create a parenting plan here.

Parent or Guardian Role A / Role B / labels only, no names

Routine Category A / school, health, activity or other broad category only

Transition or transportation coordination category / no time, route or location

Adult communication or decision-handoff category / no messages or contact details

Existing record category connected to the question / secure copy kept elsewhere

Private fact or date category the attorney should request / no fact or date written here

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CHECK THE PRIVATE-READY HANDOFF

Tick what is ready. These checks do not confirm legal sufficiency, urgency or a filing deadline.

- [ ] No child, parent, guardian, school or provider is identified
- [ ] No address, schedule, exchange location or contact detail is recorded
- [ ] No order text, allegation, safety concern or private communication is copied
- [ ] Existing arrangement and requested change or issue are separated
- [ ] Routine and coordination categories use neutral labels
- [ ] Private records will be shared only through an attorney-approved process
- [ ] No legal conclusion, deadline or outcome is assumed
- [ ] Consultation and representation scope questions are ready

Private record categories available / order, agreement, communication or other

Question reserved for a secure consultation / no details here

Urgent or safety-sensitive question routed directly to qualified help / no details here

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QUESTIONS FOR THE CUSTODY ATTORNEY

Ask each attorney the same engagement questions and record where the written answer appears.

Assessment: what can be discussed now, and what requires a private consultation?

Records: which categories should be provided, when and through what secure process?

Scope: which advice, review, drafting, negotiation, filing or court work is included or excluded?

Team: who would work on the matter, communicate and make engagement decisions?

Changes: what assumptions or developments could change the scope?

Urgency: how should time-sensitive or safety-sensitive questions be raised directly?

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COMPARE THE SAME ENGAGEMENT QUESTIONS

Use Attorney A and Attorney B. Compare written scope, not predictions about a custody outcome.

Attorney A / Attorney B / consultation dates / same neutral brief

Private intake, conflicts check and record-review process - A / B

Included and excluded representation, team and communication scope - A / B

Written terms, assumptions, possible scope changes and unanswered questions - A / B

READY TO HEAR FROM PROS?

Create an account on PickYourPro.ai only if you choose, then start a Child Custody Attorney request. Share only a non-sensitive arrangement-reference and attorney-question brief so participating pros can compete with proposals. Keep names, schedules, locations, order text, allegations, safety concerns and records out of the request. A private consultation, conflicts check and secure record review may be needed before engagement.

One request. Every pro's best offer.

Start a request

Participation varies. A private consultation, conflicts check and secure record review may be needed before engagement.

Planning guide: https://www.pickyourpro.ai/services/attorney-child-custody

USA.gov: Find a lawyer and affordable legal aid (official reference)

Legal Services Corporation: I need legal help (official reference)

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