

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF STEARNS

DISTRICT COURT  
SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
FAMILY COURT DIVISION  
Case Type:

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In Re the Marriage of:

Court File No.:

\_\_\_\_\_

Petitioner,

and

\_\_\_\_\_

Respondent.

**STIPULATION AND ORDER TO  
APPOINT NEUTRAL CUSTODY  
AND PARENTING TIME  
EVALUATOR**

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**WHEREAS**, the above-entitled matter is one for determination of custody of a minor child whereby both parties are represented by counsel, \_\_\_\_\_ for Petitioner and \_\_\_\_\_ for Respondent; and

**WHEREAS**, the parties have agreed to appoint Felicia L Wilson, as the neutral custody and parenting time evaluator; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is hereby stipulated and agreed as follows:

**STIPULATION**

1. **Custody and Parenting Time Evaluator**. The parties agree to use Felicia L. Wilson

as their neutral Custody and Parenting Time evaluator. By signing this stipulation to appoint Felicia L. Wilson as a neutral custody evaluator, the parties authorize Felicia L. Wilson to communicate directly with their respective attorneys, where in writing or orally, without the need for a separate authorization. Any communication Felicia L. Wilson has with the attorney for one party shall be copied to the attorney for the other party. If the communication is oral, a written summary of the communication shall be provided.

2. **Duties.** Felicia L. Wilson shall complete a custody and parenting time evaluation for the above-named parties. The evaluator is directed to make specific recommendations regarding:

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3. **Obligations of the Parties.** The parties shall fully cooperate with Felicia L. Wilson including, but not limited to, signing any authorizations she may request, and scheduling meetings so that the custody and parenting time evaluation may be completed in a timely manner. Parties shall complete any additional psychological evaluations or other assessments at the direction of the Evaluator.

4. **Acknowledgment.** The parties acknowledge that Felicia L. Wilson's work in conducting this neutral evaluation provides an important service to the Court. The parties acknowledge that Felicia L. Wilson has quasi-judicial immunity for her work in conducting this neutral evaluation, consistent with Minn. R. Evid. 706.

5. **Payment.** The parties shall timely pay the fees and costs associated with the evaluation, with each party responsible for fees as follows:

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In the event either party requests a report in this matter, her fees for said report shall be paid

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In the event either party calls Felicia L. Wilson to testify at the trial in this matter, her fees for said testimony shall be paid one-half by each party. However, if a party elects to depose Felicia L. Wilson that party shall be solely responsible for her fees and costs for preparation and attendance at the deposition.

6. **Recommendations and Written Report.** At the conclusion of the evaluation Felicia L. Wilson shall meet with counsel for the parties and discuss her findings and preliminary recommendations to allow the parties to engage in settlement discussions. In the event the matter does not settle, Felicia L. Wilson shall complete a written report and provide a copy to counsel for each party. The parties agree that said report shall be received by the Court as evidence during the custody trial.

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Petitioner

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Respondent

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**ORDER**

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. Felicia L. Wilson is appointed as the neutral custody and parenting time evaluator in this matter.
2. The Stipulation between the parties, as recorded above, is incorporated into this Order by reference.
3. The Clerk of Court shall mail a copy of this Stipulation and Order Appointing Neutral Custody and Parenting Time Evaluator to counsel for the parties and the same shall be deemed effective service upon the parties. A copy shall also be mailed to Felicia L. Wilson.

BY THE COURT:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Judge of District Court