

**CHILD CUSTODY INVESTIGATION  
REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE**

NAME OF PARENT/PARTY:

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NAME OF CHILDREN:

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CAUSE #: \_\_\_\_\_

FCS #: \_\_\_\_\_

A) PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

1. If you have been in the home of a parent/guardian for whom you are a reference, describe the home, including house-keeping standards, who prepares meals, etc.

B) CARE OF CHILDREN

1. Describe how the parent/guardian for whom you are a reference treats the child (ren) (cleanliness, clothing, discipline, supervision).

2. What is your evaluation of the quality of care given by the above named party?

3. What is the nature of the relationship between the parent/guardian and the child (ren) from your observation?

4. Have you ever witnessed physical or emotional abuse of the child (ren) by either parent/guardian? Explain and give dates.

C) CHILDREN

1. State your personal observations of each child. Include any physical or emotional problems known to you.

2. Have the children expressed their feelings regarding custody/visitation to you? If so, please relate.

D) PARENTS

1. To your knowledge, does the parent/guardian for whom you are a reference have problems in any of the following areas:

ABUSE OF ALCOHOL      Yes \_\_\_\_      No \_\_\_\_

ABUSE OF DRUGS/NARCOTICS      Yes \_\_\_\_      No \_\_\_\_

CRIMINAL INVOLVEMENT      Yes \_\_\_\_      No \_\_\_\_

If the answer to any of the above is yes, please give details.

2. Describe the parent's/party's character and temperament.

E) CUSTODY

1. Based on your observations, would you recommend the above referenced party to receive custody?      Yes\_\_\_\_      No \_\_\_\_

2. Why or why not?

3. Would you feel comfortable in placing your child (ren) with this person?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ For how long?

4. If you know the other parent/party, do you feel the other parent is unfit to have custody? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If answer is yes, explain why:

F) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Zip Code

Your phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Ext: \_\_\_\_\_

Your relationship to the party referenced above (friend, mother, father, etc., employer): \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the party above? \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you see him/her? \_\_\_\_\_ Date Last Seen: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the children in this case? \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you see them? \_\_\_\_\_ Date last seen: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you know the other parent/party? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, for how long:

\_\_\_\_\_

I certify under the penalty of perjury that  
the foregoing is true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Reference Signature

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