

**APPENDIX 5**  
(continued)

**CHINS FORMS**

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE (county) SUPERIOR COURT  
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 A CHILD(REN) IN NEED OF SERVICES )

**INFORMAL ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM**

The (county) County Office of Family and Children, by caseworker (caseworker's name), and (parent, guardian, custodian name), the (parent) (custodian) (guardian) of (child/children), enter into the following Informal Adjustment Program in response to the Child in Need of Services complaint received (date), 200\_\_\_. The (county) County Office of Family and Children, after its investigation, has determined that there is probable cause to believe that (child/children) is/are a Child(ren) in Need of Services.

1. First term of program.
2. Second term of program.
3. Etc.

I have read the foregoing program for informal adjustment, and I consent and agree to it. I further understand that if I do not follow this program, this matter may be referred to the Department of Public Welfare or the Prosecutor for formal court proceedings.

The (parent, guardian, custodian) acknowledges that the County Office of Family and Children has advised him/her orally and in writing that information contained in the substantiated report of child abuse or neglect will be entered into the child abuse registry as required by IC 31-33-8-13(4) if the Judge approves the contract.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Parent, Guardian, Custodian)

_____ (Name), Caseworker (county) County Office of Family & Children	_____ (Name) (Parent) (Guardian) (Custodian)	_____ (Name) Child
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The above Informal Adjustment Program has been considered and approved, and is filed with the \_\_\_\_\_ County Superior Court on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Judge

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**ORDER AUTHORIZING TAKING CHILD INTO CUSTODY**

The Petitioner further requests the child be taken into custody, and the Court (having heard and considered sworn testimony) (having considered petitioner’s affidavit filed herein) now finds:

- 1) That an emergency exists requiring the immediate action by the Court without benefit of a hearing.
- 2) Continuation of residence in the home of the parent/guardian would be contrary to the welfare of the child because\_\_\_\_\_.
- 3) That the physical or mental condition of the child(ren) will be seriously impaired or endangered if not immediately removed from the home and taken into protective custody and the safety of the child precludes the immediate use of family services to prevent the removal of the child;
- 4) That there is reason to believe the child is in need of services.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the (county) County Department of Public Welfare is authorized to take \_\_\_\_\_ child(ren) into immediate protective custody with the assistance of law enforcement pursuant to IC 31-34-2-1. Said child(ren) shall be placed into foster care, the County Youth Shelter or appropriate placement with a relative. The (county) County Department of Public Welfare is authorized to expend funds for said child(ren) and obtain emergency medical attention.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that a detention hearing will be held on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o’clock \_\_\_\_m. and the County Office of Family and Children is directed to notify pertinent parties of the hearing, unless the child(ren) is/are released from detention.

Ordered this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Judge

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**PETITION ALLEGING CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES**

Your petitioner alleges and says:

1. The above named child, (child), was born on (DOB) and is (age) years of age.
2. That said child resides at (address) with \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. That the names and addresses of the child’s parents, guardian, or custodian are as follows:

Name Parent, Guardian or Custodian	Address
_____	_____
_____	_____

4. The citation to the section of the Indiana Juvenile Code that gives the Court jurisdiction in this proceeding is IC 31-30-1-1(2).
5. That said child is a child in need of services as defined in IC 31-34-1 (add specific section cite here) in that (add specific language of statute cited here, followed by the wording “to wit:” and a listing of the specific allegations which will be proven as “A”, “B”, “C”, etc.) .  
 (The following “Number 6” to be added if the child is removed from his parent, guardian or custodian prior to filing this petition.)
6. That the child (has) (has not) been removed from his parent, guardian, or custodian.
  - a) The following efforts were made to provide the child and/or his parent, guardian, or custodian with family services before the removal: (list)
  - b) Family services were not provided before the removal of the child, for the following reasons: (list)

WHEREFORE, your petitioner requests that the child herein be adjudged to be a Child in Need of Services and for any and all relief proper in the premises.

The undersigned affirms under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing statements and representations are true.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Petitioner  
 (Title)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 County Office of Family & Children  
 Address  
 Telephone number

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**NOTICE TO PARENT, GUARDIAN OR CUSTODIAN**

You are hereby notified of the following legal rights pursuant to IC 31-34-4-6:

- 1) The right to have a detention hearing held by a court within forty-eight (48) hours after the child’s removal from the home and to request return of the child at the hearing.
- 2) The right to:
  - a. be represented by an attorney;
  - b. cross-examine witnesses; and
  - c. present evidence on your own behalf;
 at each court proceeding on a petition alleging that the child is a child in need of services. You have the right to be represented by a court appointed attorney under clause (a) upon your request if the court finds that you do not have sufficient financial means for obtaining representation as described in IC 34-10-1-2.
- 3) The right not to make statements that incriminate you and you are hereby informed that an incriminating statement may be used during a court proceeding on a petition alleging that the child is a child in need of services.
- 4) The right to request to have the case reviewed by the child protection team under IC 31-33-3-6.
- 5) The right to be advised that, a petition to terminate the parent-child relationship must be filed whenever a child has been removed from the child’s parent and has been under the supervision of the county office of family and children for at least fifteen (15) months of the most recent twenty-two (22) months.

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Attorney

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing has been sent to all parties in the above named cause this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney

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**CONSENT TO RELEASE OF MENTAL HEALTH RECORDS**

I, (patient's name), reside at (patient's address) and hereby request that (person requested to release the records) of the (mental health facility) release my mental health records to the (County Office of Family and Children, GAL/CASA, other party) at (address of party records are to be released to). The information to be released from my mental health records is (list types of information and specific documents). The purpose of this release is circled below:

1. Facilitate a Child Protection Services Investigation
2. Facilitate a case plan for a child
3. Obtain information for a dispositional or review hearing
4. Prepare for a CHINS factfinding hearing
5. Prepare for a Termination of Parental Rights hearing

This consent is viable for a period of one year from the date of consent listed below, but may be revoked by me in writing at any time prior to the expiration of one year, except to the extent that action has been taken in reliance on the consent.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Patient's signature)

DATE SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

EXPIRATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ORDER APPOINTING GUARDIAN AD LITEM PROGRAM**

Comes now the Court and finds in this case that the appointment of a Guardian Ad Litem is necessary to represent and protect the best interests of the child.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:

1. That the \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian Ad Litem Program is appointed for the child named in this proceeding, and the Program shall assign an individual Guardian Ad Litem to the case and shall advise the Court of the identity of the individual Guardian Ad Litem. The assigned individual shall act as an officer of the Court for the purpose of representing the child’s interest upon filing his or her oath and acceptance.
  
2. Upon presentation of this Order to any agency, hospital, organization, school, person, or office, including the Department of Public Welfare, mental health agencies, pediatricians, psychiatrists, police departments, the aforementioned shall permit the Guardian Ad Litem to inspect and/or copy any records, reports, x-rays, photographs, or other matter relevant to the case and the child, including any reports of examinations of the child’s parents or other persons responsible for the child’s welfare, without consent by the child or his or her parents, pursuant to IC 31-33-15-1, IC 31-33-15-2, and IC 31-33-18-2. When required by statute, the Guardian Ad Litem/CASA will obtain a court order or patient consent for access to the mental health and drug and alcohol records of the child’s caretaker.
  
3. The Guardian Ad Litem assigned to this case shall maintain any information received from any such source as confidential and will not disclose the same except in reports to the Court and other parties to this case.
  
4. The Guardian Ad Litem shall appear at all hearings or proceedings scheduled in this cause and assure proper representation of the child at said hearings.
  
5. The Guardian Ad Litem shall be notified of any hearings, staffings, investigations, depositions, or other proceedings concerning the child and shall be notified prior to any action taken on behalf of the child by any party.

SO ORDERED, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2001.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge

**DISTRIBUTION:**

(county) County Office of Family and Children  
All Attorneys  
Guardian Ad Litem Program

(This form is equally appropriate for Guardian Ad Litem programs and CASA programs. Please substitute CASA for Guardian Ad Litem when appropriate.)

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**ADVISEMENT OF IDENTITY OF INDIVIDUAL GUARDIAN AD LITEM**

Comes now the (name of CASA/GAL program) Guardian Ad Litem Program by its Director, (name of director), and respectfully advises the Court and all parties to the case that (CASA name) has been assigned as the individual volunteer Guardian Ad Litem in the above case and has accepted appointment to the case. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the pledge of confidentiality signed by (CASA name).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Director  
(Guardian Ad Litem Program)  
(Address)

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing has been mailed to the County Office of Family and Children, (Attorney for the parent), and to (Foster parents).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Director  
(Guardian Ad Litem Program)  
(Address)

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**PETITION FOR HEARING TO INTRODUCE STATEMENT/VIDEOTAPE  
 PURSUANT TO IC 31-34-13 et. seq.**

The (county) County Office of Family and Children, by counsel, pursuant to IC 31-34-13-2 petitions this Court for a hearing on the matter of the admissibility of the statement/videotape made by the above named child/ren. In support of its Petition, the Office of Family and Children would show the Court as follows:

1. The child is alleged to be a Child in Need of Services as described in the Office of Family and Children’s Petition Alleging Child in Need of Services filed in this cause.
2. The child was under fourteen (14) years of age when the statement/videotape to be admitted was made; or, alternatively, the child was at least fourteen (14) years of age, but less than eighteen (18) years of age and has a disability attributable to an impairment of general intellectual functioning or adaptive behavior that (a) is likely to continue indefinitely, (b) constitutes a substantial handicap to the child’s ability to function normally in society; and (c) reflects the child’s need for a combination and sequence of special, inter-disciplinary, or generic care, treatment, or other services that are of lifelong or extended duration and are individually planned and coordinated.
3. This statement/videotape concerns material elements of the Petition Alleging this child or this child’s sibling to be a Child in Need of Services.
4. The time, content and circumstances of this statement/videotape, and other evidence, provides sufficient indication of reliability to justify admission of the statement/videotape in a hearing to determine whether the child or the child’s sibling is a child in need of services.
5. Said child should be deemed unavailable as a witness for the reason that the child is incapable of understanding the nature and obligation of an oath.

OR

Said child should be deemed unavailable as a witness on the ground that (a) the child’s participation in the hearing would create a substantial likelihood of emotional or mental harm to the child, as certified by the report of a psychiatrist, physician, or psychologist, which report is attached hereto and incorporated herein as an exhibit; or (b) a physician has certified that the child cannot participate in the proceedings for medical reasons, which report is attached hereto and incorporated herein as an exhibit.

6. All necessary parties and their attorneys have been informed of Petitioner’s desire to introduce the statement/videotape through service of this Motion, and this Motion has been filed twenty (20) days before the proceedings. All parties have been informed of the content of the statement/videotape.

WHEREFORE, the County Office of Family and Children respectfully requests that the Court conduct a hearing to determine the admissibility of the statement/videotape of the child.

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)  
Attorney  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing has been served to the parent/guardian or custodian \_\_\_\_\_ and to the Guardian ad Litem/CASA \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200 \_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney

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**MOTION FOR HEARING ON REASONABLE EFFORTS REQUIREMENT**

Comes now the (county) County Office of Family and Children, by counsel (name), and respectfully requests that the Court enter an Order pursuant to IC 31-34-21-5.6 finding that reasonable efforts to reunify the child/ren with the parent, guardian or custodial or to preserve the child/ren’s family are not required. In support of this request, the Office of Family and Children would show the court the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. IC 31-34-21-5.6(b)(1) – The child is a child in need of services. The parent, guardian, or custodian has been convicted of causing suicide, involuntary manslaughter, rape, criminal deviate conduct, child molesting, child exploitation, sexual misconduct with a minor, or incest. The victim is the child’s other parent or the convicted person’s biological or adoptive child or stepchild who was under sixteen years of age at the time of the offense.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. IC 31-42-21-5.6(b)(2) – The child is a child in need of services. The parent, guardian, or custodial has been convicted of murder, voluntary manslaughter, or aiding, inducing, attempting or conspiring to commit murder or voluntary manslaughter. The victim is the child’s other parent or the convicted person’s biological, adoptive or stepchild.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. IC 31-34-21-5.6(b)(3) – The child is a child in need of services. The parent, guardian, or custodian has been convicted of class B or class C felony battery, aggravated battery or criminal recklessness. The victim is the convicted person’s biological, adoptive or stepchild.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. IC 31-34-21-5.6(b)(4) – The child is a child in need of services. The parental rights of a parent with respect to the parent’s biological or adoptive child have been involuntarily terminated by the (name of court) Court under cause number \_\_\_\_\_ .

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. The child is an abandoned infant as defined by IC 31-9-2-0.5. The Guardian Ad Litem/Court Appointed Special Advocate has made a written report and recommendation.

6. The (county) County Office of Family and Children attaches the affidavit of \_\_\_\_\_, in support of this Motion.

WHEREFORE, the Office of Family and Children requests that the above Motion be scheduled for hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney  
County Office of Family and Children  
Address  
Phone

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing has been mailed to (name), attorney for parent, and to (name), CASA/Guardian Ad Litem for child/ren, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
AttorneyCounty Office of Family and Children

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**ORDER FINDING THAT REASONABLE EFFORTS ARE NOT REQUIRED**

Comes now the (county) County Office of Family and Children by counsel, (name), (name) the parent, guardian, or custodian of the above named minor child, and in person and by counsel, \_\_\_\_\_, the CASA/ GAL, \_\_\_\_\_, for the above named minor child, for a hearing on the Motion for Hearing on Reasonable Efforts Requirement. Witnesses sworn, evidence heard and concluded. The Court, having considered the evidence, now finds pursuant to IC 31-34-21-5.6 that reasonable efforts to reunify the child/ren with the child/ren’s parent, guardian or custodian or to preserve the child(ren)’s family as described in IC 31-34-21-5.5 are not required. The Court specifically finds that the following is/are true:

1. IC 31-34-21-5.6(b)(1) – The child is a child in need of services. The parent, guardian, or custodian has been convicted of causing suicide, involuntary manslaughter, rape, criminal deviate conduct, child molesting, child exploitation, sexual misconduct with a minor, or incest. The victim is the child’s other parent or the convicted person’s biological or adoptive child or stepchild who was under sixteen years of age at the time of the offense.
2. IC 31-42-21-5.6(b)(2) – The child is a child in need of services. The parent, guardian, or custodian has been convicted of murder, voluntary manslaughter, or aiding, inducing, attempting or conspiring to commit murder or voluntary manslaughter. The victim is the child’s other parent or the convicted person’s biological, adoptive or stepchild.
3. IC 31-34-21-5.6(b)(3) – The child is a child in need of services. The parent, guardian, or custodian has been convicted of class B or class C felony battery, aggravated battery, criminal recklessness, or neglect of a dependent as a class B felony. The victim is the convicted person’s biological, adoptive or stepchild.
4. IC 31-34-21-5.6(b)(4) – The child is a child in need of services. The parental rights of the parent with respect to the parent’s biological or adoptive child have been involuntarily terminated by the (name of court) Court under cause number \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. The child is an abandoned infant as defined by IC 31-9-2-0.5. The Guardian Ad Litem/Court Appointed Special Advocate has made a written report and recommendation. The Court has found after a hearing that reasonable efforts to locate the child’s parents or reunify the child’s family would not be in the best interests of the child.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the (county) County Office of Family and Children shall cease any reasonable reunification or family preservation efforts. The (county) County Office of Family and Children is therefore ordered to prepare a permanency plan and a hearing is scheduled for the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ .m. to consider said permanency plan.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Judge, (county) Superior Court

Distribution Information

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**MOTION TO DENY ACCESS TO PREDISPOSITIONAL OR REVIEW REPORT**

Comes now \_\_\_\_\_ and pursuant to (IC 31-34-18-6 if predispositional report) or (IC 31-34-22-2 if progress or review report) would show the Court as follows:

1. That a (pre-dispositional) (progress) (review) report has been prepared by (name of preparer) and a copy of said report is attached.
2. That the report contains information that should not be released to (child) (parent) (guardian) (custodian) because \_\_\_\_\_.
3. That the report will be given in full to (guardian ad litem/CASA) (attorney for person denied access).
4. That the attached factual summary of the report will be given to (person denied access) and only the factual summary will be offered into evidence.

WHEREFORE, your Petitioner requests that the Court deny (child) (parent) (guardian) (custodian) access to the (predispositional) (progress) (review) report and direct Petitioner to distribute copies of the report to (guardian ad litem/CASA) (attorney) representing (person denied access), along with a factual summary of the report which shall be distributed to the (person denied access).

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Petitioner  
 Address  
 Telephone number

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**DISPOSITIONAL ORDER**

Comes now the County Office of Family and Children, by counsel and caseworker, the parent, guardian or custodian, in person and by counsel and the Guardian ad Litem/CASA for disposition hearing with regard to (child/ children). The Court finds that it has jurisdiction of this case. Predispositional reports by the \_\_\_\_\_ County Office of Family and Children and Guardian Ad Litem have been given to all parties.

The Court has read and considered the predispositional reports. \_\_\_\_\_ offers the following additions or corrections to the predispositional report: \_\_\_\_\_. The reports are admitted into evidence.

The Court advises all parties of the modification procedures under IC 31-34-23-1.

The child is in the following placement: \_\_\_\_\_.

Evidence heard and concluded. The Court enters its dispositional decree as follows:

Pursuant to IC 31-34-19-10, the Court finds:

1. That (child/children) has the following needs for care, treatment, rehabilitation, and placement:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The (parent) is ordered to participate in the plan of care for the child/children by doing the following:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_.

3. The following efforts to prevent the need for removal or to reunite said child and the family have been made: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

The Court finds that these efforts and services were reasonable.

The Court's reasons for the disposition are: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

The Court has been provided with a copy of the budget of (parent) and having heard evidence on financial responsibility in accordance with IC 31-40-1-2(c) now enters a support order in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_

effective \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

The child's legal settlement pursuant to IC 20-8.1-6.1-1(a)(1) through (7) is

\_\_\_\_\_.

The Guardian Ad Litem recommends \_\_\_\_\_. The Court orders the Welfare Department to \_\_\_\_\_ . This matter is scheduled for review hearing on \_\_\_\_\_, 2001, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock a.m./p.m. All parties are ordered to return without further notice.

Recommended by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Referee

Approved and made the Order of the Court, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2001.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge

DISTRIBUTION:  
All parties

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**ORDER GRANTING PETITION FOR MODIFICATION**

Comes now \_\_\_\_\_, (Attorney for county Office of Family and Children). The child (appears in person) (and by counsel, \_\_\_\_\_) (is excused from attending this hearing). The parent(s), (guardian) (custodian) \_\_\_\_\_ appear in person. Also, CASA/GAL and caseworker appear.

The Court after hearing evidence, statements of interested persons, and after considering reports filed with the Court which are now admitted into evidence and made a part of the record, and being duly advised, finds and orders:

1. On the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, the Court entered a dispositional decree in this case wherein \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

(here set forth particulars of dispositional decree)

2. The following facts and circumstances have occurred since the dispositional decree was entered:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

3. The child's needs at this time are: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

4. It is in the best interest of the child to:  
 [ ] be removed from home at this time and placed in  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Pursuant to the Child Support guidelines, \_\_\_\_\_ shall pay the support to the Clerk of this Court in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_ and each \_\_\_\_\_ thereafter until further order of this Court. The child support payable under this order, as well as the cost of any medical care payable by the State under IC 12-15 is assigned to the \_\_\_\_\_ County Office of Family and Children until further order of this court.

modify the placement of the child from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

other: \_\_\_\_\_.

5. The dispositional decree heretofore entered is hereby modified and the Court finds this modification to be the least restrictive and in the child's best interest.
6. The legal settlement of the child for educational purposes is \_\_\_\_\_, and the County Office of Family and Children should provide the notice as required by law.
7. Reasonable efforts were made to prevent removal from the home which efforts were not successful. (If applicable)

The removal of the child was authorized and necessary under IC 31-34-2-3 to protect the child; continuation of residence in the home of the parent/guardians would be contrary to the welfare of the child because:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

reasonable efforts to reunify or prevent the removal of the child from the home were:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The statements of reasonable efforts as set forth in the pleadings and papers of the County Office of Family and Children filed herein are incorporated by reference.

This case is set for review hearing on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ and the parties are ordered to return to Court at said date and time without further notice.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Judge, \_\_\_\_\_ County Superior Court

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**NOTICE OF PERIODIC CASE REVIEW**

You are hereby notified that the periodic case review is scheduled on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_m.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Attorney  
 \_\_\_\_\_ County Office of Family and Children  
 Address  
 Telephone number

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing has been served to the following this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

- (Parent)
- (Foster Parent)
- (Prospective adoptive parent pursuant to IC 31-34-21-4(a)(3) or IC 31-35-2-6.5(c)(3))
- (Person currently caring for child/ren or who has had significant or care-taking relationship to child pursuant to IC 31-34-21-4(a)(4),(5) or IC 31-35-2-6.5(c)(4),(5))
- (CASA/GAL)

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 Attorney  
 \_\_\_\_\_ County Office of Family and Children

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**ORDER APPROVING PERMANENCY PLAN**

Comes now \_\_\_\_\_ County O.F.C., by counsel, \_\_\_\_\_,  
 \_\_\_\_\_, (parent, guardian or custodian) by counsel,  
 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ CASA/GAL,  
 \_\_\_\_\_, foster parent, for permanency hearing pursuant to Ind. Code 31-34-21-7. And the  
 Court finds that notification of the hearing has been served five days before the hearing on all required persons  
 pursuant to Ind. Code 31-35-2-6.5. The Court, having heard evidence and considered the recommendations of all  
 persons required by statute, now approves the following permanency plan for the child(ren):

- A. Return to or continuation of existing custodial care within the home of the child’s parent, guardian, or  
 custodian or placement of the child with the child’s noncustodial parent.
- B. Initiation of a proceeding for termination of the parent-child relationship under Ind. Code 31-35.
- C. Placement of child for adoption.
- D. Placement of the child with a responsible person, including:
  - (i) an adult sibling;
  - (ii) a grandparent;
  - (iii) an aunt;
  - (iv) an uncle; or
  - (v) other relative;

who is able and willing to act as the child’s permanent custodian and carry out the responsibilities required by  
 the permanency plan.

- E. Appointment of a legal guardian, namely \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. Placement of the child in another planned, permanent living arrangement,  
 namely \_\_\_\_\_.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Judge

CC:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney for O.F.C.

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Attorney for Parent

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CASA/GAL