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6 Self-Represented Litigant

7 IN THE FAMILY DIVISION
8 OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA
9 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHOE

10 In the Matter of the Parental Rights as to:

11 _____,
12 A Minor Child. Case No. _____
13 _____ / Dept. No. _____

14 PETITION TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS

15 **Every section of this packet must be completed; if you do not know the**
16 **answer, write “unknown”.**

17 If more room is needed for ANY section, attach additional sheets.

18 I respectfully request to terminate the parental rights of (*name of person(s) whose rights you*
19 *want to terminate*): _____

20 _____ as detailed below, pursuant to NRS Chapter 128.

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22 **1.** I am related to the child as follows (*explain your relationship to the child, such as, mother,*
23 *father, legal guardian, etc.*): _____

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26 **2.** The child’s information is as follows:

27 Full name: _____

28 Age: _____

1 Current address (*street, city, state, and zip*): _____

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4 3. I have physical custody or control of the child (*check one*):

5 Yes.

6 No. The person who has physical custody or control of the child is:

7 Name: _____

8 Address: _____

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10 Relationship to child: _____

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12 4. **UCCJEA Declaration.** Has the child lived in Nevada the last six months, or since birth?

13 (*check one*)

14 Yes, the child has lived in Nevada for the past six months, or since birth.

15 No, the child has NOT lived in Nevada for the past six months.

16 a. **Living Arrangements Last 5 Years.** The child has lived with the following persons in the
17 following places within the last five years:

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19 Time Period (mo/yr – mo/yr)	Name of Person the Child Lived With	Relationship to the Child	Address Where Child Lived (Street, City, State, Zip)
20 _____ - present			
21 _____ - _____			
22 _____ - _____			
23 _____ - _____			
24 _____ - _____			
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1 **Current contact information.** The names and current addresses of each person the child lived
2 with during the last five years are:

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Name of Person the Child Lived With	Current Address (Street, City, State, Zip)

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9 **b. Participation in Other Cases:** Have you ever participated in any case concerning this child
10 as a party, witness, or in some other capacity? (*check one*)

11 No.

12 Yes, I have participated in the following cases concerning this child (*provide all*
13 *specifics including the state, the court name, the case number, and the date of the child*
14 *custody order, if any*): _____

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19 **c. Knowledge of Other Cases:** Do you know of any other case that could affect this case, such
20 as custody cases, domestic violence cases, protection order cases, adoption cases, or
21 termination of parental rights cases? (*check one*)

22 No.

23 Yes, the following cases could affect this case (*give all specifics including the state, the*
24 *court name, the parties involved, the case number, and the type of case*):

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1 **d. Person(s) Who Claim Custody / Visitation:** Is there anyone other than yourself or the
2 other parties to this case who has custody of the child or who claim a right to custody or
3 visitation with the child? (*check one*)

4 No.

5 Yes, the following people have custody or claim custody/visitation of the child (*list*
6 *names and addresses of anyone who claims custody/visitation rights*):

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11 **5. The child's parents are¹:**

12 **a. Name:** _____

13 **Address:** _____

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15 Address unknown. If unknown, this parent's nearest known adult relative who lives in
16 Nevada is:

17 **Name:** _____

18 **Relationship (*such as, parent, sibling, etc.*):**

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20 **Address:** _____

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23 **b. Name:** _____

24 **Address:** _____

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28 ¹ If there are more than two people who have the legal relationship of parent, please attach additional pages (this does not include stepparents, aunts, uncles, grandparents, etc.).

1 Address unknown. If unknown, this parent's nearest known adult relative who lives in
2 Nevada is:

3 Name: _____

4 Relationship (*such as, parent, sibling, etc.*): _____

5 Address: _____

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8 **6.** I would like to terminate the parental rights of any unknown parent.

9 Yes

10 No

11 Does not apply

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13 **7.** Does the child have a legal guardian?

14 No.

15 Yes. The legal guardian is:

16 Name _____

17 Address _____

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20 **8.** The nearest known relative to the **child** if no parent or guardian can be found is:

21 Name _____

22 Address _____

23 _____

24 Relationship to child _____

25 Does not apply.

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1 9. Do you receive public assistance? Yes No

2 Does the child receive public assistance? Yes No

3 *If you checked 'Yes' to either of the two previous questions, you must mail a copy of the*
4 *Notice of Hearing and a copy of this Petition to the Chief of the Child Support Enforcement*
5 *Program of the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the Department of Health*
6 *and Human Services by registered or certified mail return receipt requested at least 45 days*
7 *before the hearing.*

8 10. Parental rights should be terminated because (check all that apply):

9 **Abandonment.** The parent's conduct shows that the parent intends to give up all rights to
10 the child. Specifically, the parent has not provided for the child's support and has not
11 communicated with the child since (date) _____.

12 Further proof of abandonment includes: _____

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16 **Neglect and/or unfitness.**

17 **Neglect.** The parent is able to, but has refused to provide proper food, clothing,
18 shelter, education, medical care, or other necessary care for the child's physical,
19 mental and emotional needs as follows: _____

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23 **Unfitness.** The parent has failed to provide the child with proper care, guidance,
24 and support because of the parent's fault, habit, or conduct as follows:

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1 If you have selected neglect or unfitness, the court must consider the following
2 questions. Please answer each question below.

3 a. Is there an emotional illness, mental illness, or mental deficiency which renders
4 the parent unable to care for the needs of the child? No Yes (*explain*):

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8 b. Has the parent engaged in conduct toward a child of a physically, emotionally or
9 sexually cruel or abusive nature? No Yes (*explain*): _____

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12 c. Has the parent had any involvement with involuntary servitude, the sale of
13 another person, forced labor or services? No Yes (*explain*): _____

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16 d. Does the parent engage in excessive use of intoxicating liquors, controlled
17 substances, or dangerous drugs which make the parent consistently unable to care for the
18 child? No Yes (*explain*): _____

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22 e. Has the parent failed, even though able, to provide the child with adequate food,
23 clothing, shelter, education or other care and control necessary for the child's
24 physical, mental and emotional health and development?

25 No Yes (*explain*): _____

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f. Has the parent been convicted of a felony that makes the parent unfit to provide adequate care and control necessary for the child’s physical, mental or emotional health and development? No Yes (*explain*):

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g. Has any child in the care of the parent suffered a physical injury resulting in substantial bodily harm, a near fatality or fatality for which the parent has no reasonable explanation and for which there is evidence that such physical injury or death would not have occurred absent abuse or neglect of the child by the parent?

No Yes (*explain*): _____

h. Has a public or private agency tried to reunite the family? No Yes
If yes, what efforts did they make (*explain*)? _____

Failure of parental adjustment. The parent was unable or unwilling within a reasonable time to correct substantially the circumstances, conduct or conditions which led to the placement of their child outside of their home. *Explain*: _____

Risk of Harm. The child would be at risk of serious physical, mental, or emotional injury if they were returned to, or remain in, the home of the parent as follows: _____

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Token Efforts. The parent has made no efforts to care for the child or little effort to care for the child. (*check all that apply*):

To support or communicate with the child (*explain*): _____

To prevent neglect of the child (*explain*): _____

To avoid being an unfit parent (*explain*): _____

To eliminate the risk of serious physical, mental or emotional injury to the child
(*explain*): _____

Sexual Assault. The child was conceived as a result of a sexual assault for which the natural parent was convicted.

11. It is in the child’s best interest to terminate parental rights because: _____

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If more room is needed, attach additional sheets.

12. I have reason to know that the child is an Indian child. (check one)

- No.
- Yes.

If Yes, additional steps are required. Please contact an attorney for more information.

13. I am filing with respect to my unborn child. The name and residence of the other parent or person I believe is the other parent is:

Name _____

Residence _____

The expected due date is _____

Note: The hearing will not be held until after the birth of the child.

- Does not apply.

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1 **14.** I ask for judgment as follows:

2 a. That the Court grant the relief requested in this Petition; and

3 b. For such other relief as the Court finds to be just and proper.

4 This document does not contain the personal information of any person as defined by NRS
5 603A.040.

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7 DATED this (*day*) _____ day of (*month*) _____, 20 ____.

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9 Submitted by: (Your signature) _____

10 (Print your name) _____

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13 VERIFICATION

14 I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that I am the Petitioner in the above-captioned matter;
15 I have read the foregoing Petition to Terminate Parental Rights and know the contents thereof; this
16 pleading is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, except for those matters stated upon
17 information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true.

18 I declare, under penalty of perjury under the law of the State of Nevada, that the foregoing is
19 true and correct.

20 DATED this (*day*) _____ day of (*month*) _____, 20 ____.

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22 Your signature: _____

23 Print your name: _____