

DEKALB COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

STATE OF GEORGIA

_____,
Plaintiff,
vs.
_____,
Defendant.

Civil Action

Case Number _____

CHILD SUPPORT ADDENDUM

Instructions: All parts of this Addendum must be completed and it must be attached to all final orders and judgments determining the amount of child support. However, it is not required for orders on contempt motions.

[You must check one of the following boxes.]

- The parties have agreed to the terms of this order and this information has been furnished by both parties to meet the requirements of OCGA §19-6-15. The parties agree on the terms of the order and affirm the accuracy of the information provided, as shown by their signatures at the end of this addendum.
- This addendum includes findings of fact and conclusions of law and fact made by the Court, in compliance with OCGA §19-6-15.

Application of Child Support Guidelines. The statutory requirements of OCGA §19-6-15 have been applied in reaching the amount of child support provided under the final order in this action. The specifics are as follows:

1. **Gross Income** - The Plaintiff's gross monthly income (before taxes) is \$ _____; the Defendant's gross monthly income is \$ _____ (before taxes).
2. **Number of Children** - The number of children for whom support is being provided in this case is _____.
3. **Attachments** - The *Child Support Worksheet* and *Schedule E* are attached and made a part of this addendum, along with any other applicable schedules.
4. **Child Support Amount** - The _____ shall pay to the _____, for the support of the minor children, the sum of _____ Dollars (\$ _____) per month, beginning on _____, 20____.

5. **Duration of Child Support**

[You must check & complete only one of the following paragraphs.]

- (a) **Beyond Age 18 for High School** - The child support shall continue monthly thereafter until each child reaches the age of eighteen, dies, marries, or otherwise becomes emancipated; provided that if a

child becomes eighteen years old while enrolled in and attending secondary school on a full-time basis, then the child support shall continue for the child until the child has graduated from secondary school or reaches twenty years of age, whichever occurs first.

(b) **Stops at Age 18** - The child support shall continue monthly thereafter until each child reaches the age of eighteen, dies, marries, or otherwise becomes emancipated.

(c) **Until Further Order** - This is not a final order, so the child support shall continue until further order of this Court.

(d) **Until Specific Date** - The child support shall continue monthly thereafter until _____.

6. **Deviation from Presumptive Amount**

*[You must check & complete **only one** of the following paragraphs.]*

(a) **No Deviation** - It has been determined that none of the Deviations allowed under OCGA §19-6-15 applies in this case, as shown by the attached *Schedule E*. The amount of support in Paragraph 4 above is the Presumptive Amount of Child Support shown on the attached *Child Support Worksheet*.

(b) **Deviation** - It has been determined that one or more of the Deviations allowed under OCGA §19-6-15 applies in this case, as shown by the attached *Schedule E*. The Presumptive Amount of Child Support that would have been required under OCGA §19-6-15 if the deviations had not been applied is \$_____ per month, as shown on the attached *Child Support Worksheet*. The attached *Schedule E* explains the reasons for the deviation, how the application of the guidelines would be unjust or inappropriate considering the relative ability of each parent to provide support, and how the best interest of the children who are subject to this child support determination is served by deviation from the presumptive amount of child support.

7. **Health, Dental & Vision Insurance for Children**

*[You must check & complete all parts of **only one** of the following paragraphs, (a) or (b).]*

(a) **Insurance Available** - The following insurance for the children involved in this action is available at a reasonable cost to the _____ through that parent's employer or the PeachCare program:

Health (medical, mental health and hospitalization) Dental Vision.

So long as it remains available to that parent, the _____ shall maintain the types of insurance checked above for the benefit of the minor children, until each child reaches the age of eighteen, dies, marries, or otherwise becomes emancipated; except that if a child becomes eighteen years old while enrolled in and attending secondary school on a full-time basis, then the insurance shall be continued for the child until the child has graduated from secondary school or reaches twenty years of age, whichever occurs first.

(1) The parent who maintains the insurance shall provide the other parent with an insurance identification card or such other acceptable proof of insurance coverage and shall cooperate with the other parent in submitting claims under the policy.

(2) All money received by one of the parties for claims processed under the insurance policy

shall be paid within five (5) days after the party receives the money, to the other party (if that other party paid the applicable health care service provider) or to the applicable health care provider (if the provider has not been paid by one of the parties).

(b) **Insurance Not Available** - Insurance (other than Medicaid) is not available at this time to either party at a reasonable cost. If health insurance for the children later becomes available to the parent who is required to pay child support for these children, then that parent must obtain the following types of insurance, unless it is then being provided by the other parent:

Health (medical, mental health and hospitalization) Dental Vision.

When insurance has been obtained by either party, Paragraphs 7 (a)(1) and (2) shall apply.

8. **Uninsured Health Care Expenses** - The _____ shall pay _____% and the _____ shall pay _____% of all expenses incurred for the children's health care (including medical, dental, mental health, hospital and vision care) that are not covered by insurance. The party who incurs a health care expense for one of the children shall provide verification of the amount to the other party. That other party shall reimburse the incurring party (or pay the health care provider directly) for the appropriate percentage of the expense, within fifteen (15) days after receiving the verification of a particular health care expense.

9. **Parenting Time Amounts** - The approximate number of days of parenting time per year according to the visitation order is _____ days for the Plaintiff and _____ days for the Defendant.

10. **Social Security Benefits**

*[You must check & complete **only one** of the following paragraphs.]*

(a) **Not Received** - The children do not receive Title II Social Security benefits under the account of the parent ordered to pay child support.

(b) **Received** - The children receive Title II Social Security benefits under the account of the parent ordered to pay child support. The benefits received by the children shall be counted as child support payments, and shall be applied against the final child support order to be paid by that parent.

(1) If the amount of benefits received is less than the amount of support ordered, the obligor shall pay the amount exceeding the Social Security benefit.

(2) If the amount of benefits received is equal to or more than the amount of support ordered, the obligor's responsibility is met and no further support shall be paid.

(3) Any Title II benefits received for the children's benefit shall be retained by the custodial parent or nonparent custodian for the children's benefit, and it shall not be used as a reason for decreasing the final child support order or reducing arrearages.

11. **Modification** *[You must check & complete **only one** of the following paragraphs.]*

(a) **Not Modification Action** - This is an initial determination of child support, not a modification action.

(b) **Support Not Modified** - This action is a modification action, but the order does not modify the amount of child support that was previously ordered for these children. The date of the initial support order concerning this child support case was: _____.

(c) **Support Amount Modified** - The order modifies the amount of child support that was previously ordered for these children. The basis for the modification is:

- (1) Substantial change in the income and financial status of the Plaintiff;
- (2) Substantial change in the income and financial status of the Defendant;
- (3) Substantial change in the needs of the Children;
- (4) The noncustodial parent failed to exercise visitation provided under the prior order;
- (5) The noncustodial parent has exercised more visitation than was provided in the prior order.

The date of the initial support order concerning this child support case was: _____.

12. **Continuing Garnishment for Child Support** - Whenever, in violation of the terms of the order, there shall have been a failure to make the support payments, so that the amount unpaid is equal to or greater than the amount payable for one month, the payments required to be made may also be collected by the process of continuing garnishment for support.

13. **Income Deduction Order**

[You must check & complete only one of the following paragraphs: (a), (b) or (c).]

(a) An *Income Deduction Order* shall be entered by the Court, under OCGA § 19-6-32, for payment of the child support and alimony (if any) provided. The *Income Deduction Order* shall take effect:

[To finish (a), you must check either (1) or (2). Do not check both.]

- (1) immediately upon entry by the Court.
 - (2) upon accrual of a delinquency equal to one month's support. The *Income Deduction Order* may be enforced by serving a "Notice of Delinquency," as provided in OCGA §19-6-32 (f).
- (b) The parties agree that an *Income Deduction Order* is not immediately necessary.
- (c) The Court finds that there is good cause not to require income deduction, having determined that income deduction will not serve the children's best interests and that there has been sufficient proof of timely payment of any previously ordered support.

Parties' Consent - We knowingly and voluntarily agree on the terms of this order. Each of us affirms that the information we have provided in this Addendum is true and correct.

Plaintiff's Signature

Defendant's Signature

ORDER

The Court has reviewed the foregoing *Child Support Addendum*, and it is hereby made the order of this Court.

This Order entered on _____, 20____.

JUDGE
DEKALB COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT