**Superior Court of Washington, County of**

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| In re:  Petitioner/s *(as listed on the Petition)*:    And Respondent/s *(as listed on the Petition)*: | No.  **Order on Adequate Cause to Change a Parenting/Custody Order**  (ORRACG / ORRACD / ORH: see 6) |

**Order on Adequate Cause to Change a Parenting/Custody Order**

1. The *(check one):* [ ] Petitioner [ ] Respondent made a *Motion for Adequate Cause Decision* and the court finds there is reason to approve this order. (*Check one):*

[ ] An adequate cause hearing was held.

[ ] The parties agree there is adequate cause (valid reasons) for the case to move forward, or any party not in agreement has been defaulted.

* The Court Finds:

2. Jurisdiction

[ ] This court has jurisdiction over this case.

[ ] The parenting order was made by a Washington court, and the court still has authority to make orders for the children.

[ ] The parenting/custody order was **not** made by a Washington court, and

[ ] A court in the state (or tribe) that made the parenting order has made another order saying that it no longer has jurisdiction **or** that it is better to have this case decided in Washington;

[ ] No child, parent or person acting as a parent lives in the state (or tribal reservation) that made the order anymore.

[ ] The parenting /custody order was **not** made by a Washington court, and a Washington court canmake decisions because the children are in this state now **and** were abandoned here **or** need emergency protection because the children (or the children’s parent, brother or sister) were abused or threatened with abuse.

This order expires on (date): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, unless the other state declines jurisdiction or this court enters an order extending emergency jurisdiction.

[ ] This court does **not** have jurisdiction over this case.

3. Timing of Adequate Cause Decision

[ ] The court **cannot** decide adequate cause yet because:

[ ] the deadline for filing a *Response* to the *Petition* has not passed.

[ ] other *(specify):*

[ ] The court **can** decide adequate cause because:

[ ] the deadline for filing a *Response* to the *Petition* has passed.

[ ] the motion was made by the party responding to the *Petition*.

[ ] other *(specify):*

4. Adequate Cause

[ ] There is **not** adequate cause (valid reasons) to hold a full hearing or trial about the *Petition.* The *Petition* should be dismissed.

[ ] There **is** adequate cause (valid reasons) to hold a full hearing or trial about the *Petition.*

[ ] The parties **agree** that there is adequate cause (valid reasons).

5. Other Findings (if any)

* The Court Orders:

6. Decision

[ ] **No Adequate Cause** – The *Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order* is dismissed.

[ ] **Adequate Cause** **Found** –

[ ] The *Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order* will move on to a full hearing or trial. The hearing or trial will take place *(check one):*

[ ] at a later date to be set by the court.

[ ] on *(date):* at *(time):* [ ]a.m. [ ] p.m.

in *(Court, Room/Dept.):*

[ ] on the date set by the case scheduling order made when the *Petition* was filed.

[ ] No further hearing or trial date is needed because the court is signing the *Final Order and Findings on Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order*, and any other final orders today by agreement or default.

7. Other orders (if any)

**Ordered.**

*Date Judge or Commissioner*

**Petitioner and Respondent or their lawyers fill out below.**

This document *(check any that apply)*: This document *(check any that apply)*:

[ ] is an agreement of the parties [ ] is an agreement of the parties

[ ] is presented by me [ ] is presented by me

[ ] may be signed by the court without notice to me [ ] may be signed by the court without notice to me

*Petitioner signs here* ***or*** *lawyer signs here WSBA # Respondent signs here or lawyer signs here WSBA #*

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