

Superior Court of Washington, County of \_\_\_\_\_

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 can make 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 court does **not** have jurisdiction over this case.

☐ The court **cannot** decide adequate cause yet because:

- ☐ The court **can** decide adequate cause because:

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➤ **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)**

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**Ordered.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

➤ \_\_\_\_\_  
*Judge or Commissioner*

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

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➤ \_\_\_\_\_  
*Petitioner signs here or lawyer signs here WSBA #*

➤ \_\_\_\_\_  
*Respondent signs here or lawyer signs here WSBA #*

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