

Superior Court of Washington, County of _____

In re Visits:

Children

Petitioner/s (*person/s who started this case*):

And Respondent/s (*parent/s, legal custodian and anyone with court-ordered residential time*):

No. _____

Motion for Advance Lawyer Fees and Costs (MT)

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To all parties:

Deadline! Your papers must be filed and served by the deadline in your county's Local Court Rules, or by the State Court Rules if there is no local rule. Court Rules and forms are online at www.courts.wa.gov.

If you want the court to consider your side, you **must** do all these things:

- File your original documents with the Superior Court Clerk.
- Give the Judge/Commissioner a copy of your papers (if required by your county's Local Court Rules).
- Have a copy of your papers served on all other parties or their lawyers.
- Go to the hearing.

The court may not allow you to testify at the motion hearing. Read your county's Local Court Rules, if any. Bring proposed orders to the hearing.

To the Respondent (person filing this motion):

You must schedule a hearing on this motion. You may use the *Notice of Hearing* (form FL All Family 185) unless your county's Local Court Rules require a different form. Contact the court for scheduling information.

To the Petitioner (person receiving this motion):

If you do not agree with the requests in this motion, file a statement (using form *Declaration* FL All Family 135) explaining why the amount requested is unreasonable and/or why it would be unjust to order you to pay. If you are claiming it would be unjust, you must provide information about your financial resources. Local rules may require you to file a *Financial Declaration* FL All Family 131.

1. **Request**

My name is: _____. I am a respondent in this case. I ask the court to approve an order for advance lawyer fees and costs.

The law requires the court to order the petitioner to pay a reasonable amount for costs and lawyer fees before any hearings in this case unless the court finds it would be unjust to do so.

2. **Lawyer fees and costs**

I request lawyer fees of \$_____ and costs of \$_____.

I believe these fees and costs are reasonable and these funds will not be used for any other purpose.

3. **Other information** (may include information about the petitioner/s' financial resources):

Important! Local rules may require you to file a Financial Declaration FL All Family 131 with this motion, or you may need to file one with your reply if the petitioner/s claim it would be unjust to order costs and fees.

4. A proposed order (check one): is is **not** attached to this Motion.

Person making this motion fills out below

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the facts I have provided on this form and any attachments are true. I have attached (number of): _____ pages.

Signed at (city and state): _____ Date: _____

▶ _____
Person making this motion signs here Print name here

I agree to accept legal papers for this case at (check one):

- my lawyer's address, listed below.
- the following address (this does **not** have to be your home address):

street address or PO box city state zip

(Optional) email: _____

(If this address changes before the case ends, you must notify all parties and the court clerk in writing. You may use the Notice of Address Change form (FL All Family 120). You must also update your Confidential Information form (FL All Family 001) if this case involves parentage or child support.)

Lawyer (if any) fills out below

▶ _____
Lawyer signs here Print name and WSBA No. Date

Lawyer's address city state zip

Email (if applicable): _____

Warning! Documents filed with the court are available for anyone to see unless they are sealed. Financial, medical, and confidential reports, as described in General Rule 22, **must** be sealed so they can only be seen by the court, the other party, and the lawyers in your case. Seal those documents by filing them separately, using a *Sealed* cover sheet (form FL All Family 011, 012, or 013). You may ask for an order to seal other documents.