IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR

LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

IN RE: THE MATTER OF

Case No:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Petitioner

vs.

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Respondent

**ORDER FOR SUPERVISED PARENTING TIME AND APPOINTING FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER**

**FOR PARENTING TIME SUPERVISION SERVICES**

This matter having come before the Court on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_ for a

❑ temporary hearing ❑ final hearing, and the Court having heard evidence and being fully advised in the premises, it is ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:

1. **Supervised Parenting Time**. The Court orders that the ❑ father ❑mother hereafter also referred to as the "supervised parent," shall have supervised parenting time with the child(ren) pending further order of this Court.
2. **Children. The child(ren) subject to this order is/are:**

**Name Date of Birth**

1. **Family Resource Center of Southwest Florida, Inc. Appointed**. The Family Resource Center (FRC) located at Wildwood Hammock Professional Park, 6120 Winkler Road, Suite J, Fort Myers, FL 33919, Telephone: 239-233-5676, is appointed to provide parenting time supervision services. The parents are each ordered to contact FRC within four (4) days and to schedule an intake and orientation.

No supervised parenting time will occur until the parties have completed the intake and orientation. This Order will be automatically rescinded 30 days after the issue date if not acted upon by the parent to be supervised unless otherwise noted here:

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1. **Restrictions/Limitations if Any.** [CHOOSE ONE]

❑ Parenting time is limited to the Supervised Parent and child(ren) only.

❑ Parenting time is limited to the Supervised Parent, the child(ren) and any visitors authorized by the Court and/or FRC pursuant to specific program policies regarding safety and accountability.

❑ Parenting time, in accordance with the limitations set forth in the ***attached*** Final Judgment of Injunction entered in Case # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

This Order is limited to ❑ parenting time supervision only, or ❑ therapeutic supervised parenting time. If the order is for supervised parenting time only, no expert opinion or recommendation may be requested or offered by the supervisor. If the order is for therapeutic supervised parenting time, an expert opinion or recommendation may be requested or offered by the supervisor. The FRC may provide information based on observations regarding the supervised parenting time sessions.

The supervised parent shall not remove the child(ren) from the premises of the Program without the Court’s or Program’s authorization. Should the supervised parent (or a person acting on his or her behalf) do so, law enforcement authorities, are hereby directed and authorized to use all reasonable means necessary to return the child(ren) to the non-supervised/majority time share parent.

1. **Frequency of Supervised Parenting Time**. The children shall have, ***at a minimum***, ❑ one ❑ two supervised session(s) every week lasting at least ❑one ❑ two hour(s) with the ❑father ❑ mother at times and days as agreed between the parties and the supervisor. The child(ren) may have more sessions every week at such days and times as agreed between the parties and the supervisor, finances permitting.
2. **Responsibility for Fees and Costs**. The fees and costs associated with supervised parenting time services can be found at the FRC website [www.leecountyparenttime.org](http://www.leecountyparenttime.org). The Fee and Cost schedule is incorporated by reference herein. Each parent shall pay for their Intake and Orientation costs. All other costs shall be allocated as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_\_% paid by the Father \_\_\_\_\_\_\_% paid by the Mother

* 1. If any agent or employee of the FRC is subpoenaed to testify on this matter, the party causing the subpoena to be served may/shall be liable for paying FRC the reasonable costs of that employee complying with that subpoena upon such terms as FRC shall require.
  2. If the party and FRC cannot agree upon the reasonable cost, the Court will determine same and order the cost upon motion of FRC.
  3. Failure to pay the costs may result in the Court issuing a judgment against the responsible party, suspension of supervised parenting time or other sanctions as may be appropriate, including Contempt of Court.

1. **Policy and Procedures of FRC to Be Followed**. The Policies and Procedures of FRC, including FRC’s rules and regulations, shall be followed. They are available on the website: [www.leecountyparenttime.org](http://www.leecountyparenttime.org). or upon request from the FRC. Each parent is required to read and sign the Agreement for Services prior to the commencement of services.
2. **Areas of Special Concern Include, But Are Not Limited To, The Following**:

A. The mother asserts

B. The father asserts

C. The Court finds, based on the totality of the admissible evidence, that there are legitimate child safety concerns as follows [CHOOSE AS APPLICABLE]:

❑ Past or present abuse or neglect of child(ren)

❑ Domestic violence in the presence of the child(ren)

❑ Supervised parent’s substance abuse issues

❑ Supervised parent’s mental health issues

❑ Supervised parent’s extensive criminal history

❑ Parent-child estrangement

❑ Supervised parent’s capabilities &/or aptitude to provide appropriate parenting

* Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (i.e., parental kidnapping possibility, egregious physical abuse, sexual abuse)

1. **Goals**. The goals of the supervised parenting time with the father/mother are many. They include: improving parenting skills for the supervised parent, improving the parent-child relationship, providing a conflict-free experience for everyone in a safe and secure setting where the child and their parents spend quality time together under the guidance of a trusted person. It also provides an environment that allows the child to feel emotionally and physically safe during the parenting time as well as an improved level of trust between the non-supervised parent and the supervised parent. Further, it reduces conflict and hostility between parents, increases time between supervised parent and the child in the future and most importantly, provides a plan of progression towards unsupervised parenting time when it is safe and appropriate to do so. Both parents are directed to conduct themselves in a manner conducive with these goals.
2. **Periodic Case Status Reviews.** This case may be reviewed by the Court (either by presiding Judge or General Magistrate) in ❑ two ❑ three or ❑ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ months or upon a motion of either parent or at the request of the FRC staff. Periodic reviews are not required, however identification of the steps or objectives needed for a supervised parent to seek unsupervised parenting time is also not prohibited. See **C.N. v I.G.C.**, 316 So. 3d 287 (Fla. 2021).
3. **Request for Status Review**. In the event you do not receive a notice of the Case Status Review at the interval(s) referenced above, the attorney or self-represented parent or the FRC staff may request a case status review to effectuate the requirements of paragraph 10 so the court is conducting appropriate oversight. The attorneys or self-represented parent may file a Motion For Case Status Review. A form for your use is available from the FRC staff, Family Court Services, (3rd floor, Lee County Justice Center), or on the 20th Judicial Circuit Court, Court Administration website at <http://www.ca.cjis20.org/home/lee/leefcs_downloads.asp?Display>. The FRC staff may file a Request for Case Status Review. The Motion/Request may then be set for hearing.

To request hearing time for a status hearing for matters entered by the Family Law Court/Judge or General Magistrate, contact the Judicial Assistant associated with the Judge/Magistrate who issued the FRC Supervised Parenting Time Order. The contact information for the Judicial Assistants can be found on the 20th Judicial Circuit Court, Court Administration website: [www.ca.cjis20.org](http://www.ca.cjis20.org), click on “Judges,” then “Judicial Directory” and follow the Judicial Assistant’s instructions. THE HEARING TIME MUST BE COORINDATED WITH THE OTHER PARENT AND THE FRC DIRECTOR to ensure availability. The person requesting the hearing must also file a Notice of Hearing, a copy of which must be served on the other parent and the FRC Director. A form for your use is available from the FRC staff, Family Court Services Family Court Services, (3rd floor, Lee County Justice Center) or the Florida Supreme Court website at: <https://www.flcourts.org/Resources-Services/Court-Improvement/Self-Help-Information/Family-Law-Forms2>.

12**. Communication With Attorneys, If Any**. FRC may communicate with the attorney for either party only with the prior written consent of the attorney's client. Progress reports requested by the Court shall be shared with the attorney of record for each party or to the pro se parent prior to submission to the Court.

13. **Other.** [CHECK AS MANY AS ARE APPLICABLE]

❑ Provisions for making the parenting time contingent on participation in treatment or counseling. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

❑ The following conditions precedent to the parenting time shall include: \_\_\_\_

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❑ Videotaping/Recording the parenting time.

❑ Referrals to ancillary services (such as parent education classes, anger management classes, support for the non-supervised parent).

❑ Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

14. **Request for Discharge BY FRC**. FRC may decline to accept a case, suspend, or terminate an open case for reasons outlined in the Policy and Procedures of the FRC.

If the FRC cannot provide these supervision services for any reason, the FRC shall so inform the Court in writing with copies to both parents or their attorneys of record, if any, so that the Court may expeditiously address, at a duly noticed hearing, substitute supervision options.

15. **Best Interest of Child(ren)**. The Court has considered all of the factors set forth in Florida Statute 61.13(3) in making this parenting time order.

16. **Duration of This Order**. The supervised parenting time shall continue until further order of Court or until the FRC advises the Court in writing that the supervision services are completed, suspended or terminated. The written correspondence shall include the reason for the determination made by the FRC.

17.  **Reservation of Jurisdiction**. The Court reserves jurisdiction to enforce or modify this Order.

DONE AND ORDERED in Lee County, Florida this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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Circuit Judge

Copies provided to:

❑ counsel

❑ parties, if pro se,

❑ Family Resource Center, P.O. Box 07248, Fort Myers, FL 33919

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