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Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Retainer: \_\_\_\_\_ (flat/hourly)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Contested: Y / N

**CLIENT QUESTIONNAIRE -MODIFICATION**

Please fill out this questionnaire. It is important that you answer each question **FULLY**.

It is imperative that you be candid!

You should answer all questions relevant to your case. If a question does not apply to your particular situation, please indicate by marking the question "N/A". If the answer to any question requires more space than has been provided on the form, please complete your answer on a separate sheet: Refer to the question number to which your answer applies, and attach your answer to this questionnaire.

Your responses to these questions will help to organize your case and will save you money on attorney's fees in trying to gather and assemble information after the case is in progress.

Since your answers are being made to an attorney, you are assured of confidentiality and are protected by the attorney-client privilege. In order to maintain confidentiality no one else can be present in the meeting with the attorney unless there is prior approval by the attorney.

**NOTICE OF CONFIDENTIALITY**

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**Office Use Only:**

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Retainer Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ Contested: Yes / No

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PERSONAL**

**ABOUT YOU:**

**1. Please give your *full* name, date and place of birth, and Social Security number.**

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Maiden) \_\_\_\_\_  
Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ County/State where born: \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security number: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's license number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Race: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Where are you living now, and what is your phone number?**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. At what address do you wish to receive mail from this office?** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4. How do you prefer that we contact you?**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**5. How were you referred to this office (please check one)?:**

- Personal reference: \_\_\_\_\_
- Internet – Website: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Have you consulted or retained any other attorneys on this matter before coming to this office?** \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please state who and when: \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Please complete the following information concerning your employment.**

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Job title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, state, zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
May we call you at work? \_\_\_\_\_  
Gross salary per month or annually: \_\_\_\_\_  
Length of employment: \_\_\_\_\_  
Education: \_\_\_\_\_

**ABOUT THE OTHER PARTY:**

**8. Please give the *full* name (including maiden name), date and place of birth, and Social Security number of the other party to this litigation.**

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Maiden) \_\_\_\_\_  
Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ County/State where born: \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security number: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's license number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Race: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to you or children (i.e. ex-spouse, biological father of...) \_\_\_\_\_

**9. Where is the other party living now, and what is his or her phone number?**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**10. Please complete the following information concerning the other party's employment.**

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Job title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, state, zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gross salary per month or annually: \_\_\_\_\_  
Length of employment: \_\_\_\_\_  
Education: \_\_\_\_\_

**ABOUT YOUR CHILDREN:**

**11. Please give the full name, date and place of birth, sex, and Social Security number of each of the children subject of this modification:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sex (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security number: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sex (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security number: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sex (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security number: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sex (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security number: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License No. \_\_\_\_\_

**12. Will there be a dispute over the children?** \_\_\_\_\_  
If not, with whom will custody be? \_\_\_\_\_

**13. Where and with whom are the children living now?** \_\_\_\_\_

**ABOUT YOUR MARRIAGE AND SEPARATION OR PATERNITY:**

**14. Please give a description of the order to be modified:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Paternity Order exists and was signed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Divorce Decree exists and was signed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_ I have a copy of the order.  
\_\_\_\_\_ I do not have a copy of this order.

**15. Why are you seeking this modification?** \_\_\_\_\_

**16. Is the other party in agreement to this modification?** \_\_\_\_\_  
If not, what do you think the objections will be? \_\_\_\_\_

**17. How long have you resided in Texas?** \_\_\_\_\_  
What County do you reside in? \_\_\_\_\_  
How long have you resided in that County? \_\_\_\_\_

18. **Do you pay/receive child support?** \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, how much? \$\_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_

19. **Do the child(ren) have insurance?** \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, who provides the insurance and how much is it? \_\_\_\_\_

20. **Have you or the other party ever filed for modification before?** \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, when and where? \_\_\_\_\_

21. **Does the other party have an attorney?** \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, who? \_\_\_\_\_

22. **Does the other party pay/receive child support?** \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, how much? \$\_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_

23. **Do you or the other party have any other children for whom a duty of support is owed?** \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please give the full name, date and place of birth, sex, and Social Security number of each such child:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sex (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security number: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sex (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security number: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License No. \_\_\_\_\_

24. **Do the children involved in the modification own any property?** \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

25. **Check any of the following which are applicable:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Retention of the current primary custodian would be injurious to child(ren).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Primary custodian has relinquished possession and control of child(ren).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Change from joint to sole managing conservator is needed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Support payments should continue after child's eighteenth birthday because of a mental or physical disability.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Order to be modified has become unworkable or inappropriate because
- \_\_\_\_\_ Managing/Possessory conservator has changed residence to a place outside of the court's jurisdiction.

**26. "Skeletons in the Closet" and Sensitive Topics:**

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU BE OPEN AND HONEST IN ANSWERING THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. ANY DISCUSSION RELATING TO ANY OF THESE TOPICS BETWEEN YOU AND YOUR ATTORNEY WILL BE PROTECTED BY THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE. IF YOU FAIL TO BE HONEST IN ANSWERING THESE QUESTIONS, IT COULD BE ABSOLUTELY DISASTROUS TO YOUR CASE.

If an answer to one of the questions below is "yes," please describe the situation in detail.

Will anyone allege that you or the other party has done any of the following:

	You	Other Party
Committed a crime?	_____	_____
Been arrested?	_____	_____
Been in jail or prison?	_____	_____
Used illegal drugs?	_____	_____
Been hospitalized for using illegal drugs?	_____	_____
Abused prescription drugs?	_____	_____
Been hospitalized for abusing prescription drugs?	_____	_____
Abused alcohol?	_____	_____
Been hospitalized for abusing alcohol?	_____	_____
Been arrested for or convicted of driving while under the influence of alcohol (drunk driving)?	_____	_____
Engaged in gambling activities (legal or illegal)?	_____	_____
Engaged in other illegal activities?	_____	_____
Attempted suicide?	_____	_____
Been hospitalized for an emotional or psychiatric disorder?	_____	_____
Suffered from or received treatment for an emotional or psychiatric condition?	_____	_____
Abused spouse?	_____	_____
Been accused of child abuse?	_____	_____
Had a sexual relationship during the marriage with someone other than spouse?	_____	_____

If so, describe the children's reaction to the relationship and the children's feelings about the person(s) involved in the relationship. \_\_\_\_\_

	You	Other Party
Had a homosexual/bisexual relationship?	_____	_____
Engaged in unusual sexual practices?	_____	_____
Had a pregnancy outside of a marriage?	_____	_____
Had a sexually transmitted disease?	_____	_____
Drunk to excess? If so, what and how often? _____	_____	_____
Other? _____	_____	_____

**27. If you or the other party has a relationship with a person whom the children see frequently and that person would answer "yes" to one or more of the preceding "skeleton-in-the-closet" questions, describe the situation: \_\_\_\_\_**

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

**28. Do you the other party suffer from any physical disability that would interfere with being able to care for the children? \_\_\_\_\_**

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

**29. Have you or the other party made any photographs or audio or visual recordings of the other party? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, describe the content: \_\_\_\_\_**

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