

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF VENTURA
FAMILY COURT SERVICES INTAKE FORM
FOR CHILD CUSTODY RECOMMENDING COUNSELING
(Confidential – For Court Use Only)

This form must be completed by all parties prior to the start of the Child Custody Recommending Counseling (CCRC) session. All files and records in Family Court Services are confidential, unless a mandated report is necessary (e.g. suspected child abuse or threats to harm yourself or others).

Your Name: _____

Case Number: _____

Do you have an attorney? Yes No **Attorney Name:** _____

Do you need an interpreter for your CCRC/mediation session? Yes No **Language:** _____

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SAFETY CONCERNs

1. Have you ever experienced or witnessed any physical, emotional, or verbal abuse, threats, or controlling behavior from the other parent? Yes No
2. Has the other parent or any other individual involved in this case ever:
 - a) Threatened to harm or kill you, your children or themselves? Yes No
 - b) Used or threatened to use a weapon against you? Yes No
 - c) Tried to choke/strangle you? Yes No
 - d) Become more aggressive or violent recently? Yes No
 - e) Followed, harassed, or stalked you in person or online? Yes No
 - f) Prevented you from leaving, calling for help, or seeking medical care? Yes No
 - g) Threatened or tried to commit suicide? Yes No
 - h) Used alcohol or drugs in a way that makes them more violent or unpredictable? Yes No
3. Have your children witnessed or been affected by domestic violence or any of the behaviors listed above? Yes No
4. Has a member of your household ever been involved in domestic violence? Yes No
5. **Restraining Orders:**
 - a) Are there currently, or has there ever been, any restraining orders (Domestic Violence Restraining Order, Civil Harassment Restraining Order, Elder Abuse/Dependent Adult Restraining Order, Criminal Protective Order, Emergency Protective Order, etc.) involving you, the other parent, or the children? Yes No
 - b) Has the other parent or anyone involved in this case violated a restraining order or any court-ordered restrictions? Yes No
6. Have you or the other parent been arrested or convicted of any crimes related to domestic violence, substance abuse, or child abuse? Yes No

Family Code Section 3181(b) states

"If a party alleging domestic violence in a written declaration under penalty of perjury or a party protected by a protective order so requests, the mediator will meet with the parties separately and at separate times."

7. Are you requesting separate CCRC/mediation sessions? Yes No

Family Code Section 6303(c) states:

"If a court has issued a protective order, a support person shall be permitted to accompany a party protected by the order during any mediation orientation or mediation session, including separate mediation sessions."

The mediator may exclude the support person from a mediation session if the person participates in the mediation, acts as an advocate, or the presence of the support person is disruptive to the process.

The support person is bound by the confidentiality of the mediation.

8. Do you intend to bring a support person with you to mediation? Yes No
Name of support person: _____

FIREARMS & WEAPON-RELATED SAFETY CONCERNS

9. Does the other parent or anyone involved in this case own, possess, or have access to any firearms, ammunition or other weapons? Yes No
 Unsure

10. Has the other parent or anyone involved in this case ever threatened to use or actually used a firearm or any other weapon to intimidate, harm, or scare you or the children or anyone else? Yes No

11. Do you believe the other parent's access to firearms poses a current risk to you, your children, or others? Yes No

CHILD WELFARE & OTHER SAFETY ISSUES

12. Have you, the other parent, a member of your household, or the child ever had a referral, open case, or active case/investigation with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) or Child Protective Services (CPS) or Adult Protective Services? Yes No
If yes, when? _____

13. **Guardianship Cases:** Is there a pending Guardianship case involving your child(ren)? Yes No

14. **Juvenile Court Cases (Dependency):** Is there an open or past Juvenile Court (Dependency) case involving your child(ren)? Yes No

CUSTODY & VISITATION HISTORY

15. **Mediation Orientation:** Have you completed the online orientation program? Yes No If yes, date completed: _____

16. **Previous Mediation:** Have you previously participated in CCRC/mediation with the other parent in this case? Yes No

17. **Relocation Information:** Have you or the other parent recently moved or planning to move out of Ventura County or California? Yes No

18. **Child Custody Evaluation:** Have you previously participated in a child custody evaluation? Yes No If yes, when? _____

By signing below, I acknowledge that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Date: _____