

## Allocation of Parental Rights and Duties

Conservatorship rights and duties can be ordered and/or agreed to in six different ways. Below is a charge that shows how the rights are customarily ordered. I wanted to clarify the difference of independent rights versus by agreement. I believe the others are self-explanatory:

**Independent: Each party can make this decision independent of the other party.**

**Agreement: The parties must agree to the decision.**

	<b>RIGHTS AND DUTIES</b>	<b>Each has at all times</b>	<b>Each has during possession.</b>	<b>Solely mother</b>	<b>Solely father</b>	<b>Independent</b>	<b>By agreement</b>
1	Duty to inform the other conservator[s] of the child in a timely manner of significant information concerning the health, education, and welfare of the child.	√					
2	Duty to inform the other conservator[s] of the child by prescribed notice if the conservator resides with for at least thirty days, marries, or intends to marry a person the parent knows is a registered sex offender or is currently	√					
3	Right to receive information from any other conservator of the child concerning the health, education, and welfare of the child	√					
4	Right to confer with the other parent, to the extent possible, before making a decision concerning the health, education, and welfare of the child	√					
5	Right of access to medical, dental, psychological, and educational records of the child	√					
6	Right to consult with a physician, dentist, or psychologist of the child	√					
7	Right to consult with school officials concerning the child's welfare and educational status, including school activities	√					
8	Right to attend school activities	√					
9	Right to be designated on the child's records as a person to be notified in case of an emergency.	√					
10	Right to consent to medical, dental, and surgical treatment during an emergency involving immediate danger to the health and safety of the child	√					
11	Right to manage the child's estate to the extent the estate has been created by the parent or the parent's family.	√					
12	Duty of care, control, protection, and reasonable discipline of the child		√				
13	Duty to support the child, including providing the child with clothing, food, shelter, and medical and dental care not involving an invasive procedure.		√				
14	Right to consent for the child to medical and dental care not involving an invasive procedure		√				

15	Right to direct the moral and religious training of the child		√				
16	Duty to make periodic child-support payments	N/A	N/A			N/A	N/A
17	Right to designate the primary residence of the child [without regard to geographic location/within <b>[geographical area]</b>	N/A	N/A			N/A	N/A
18	Right to consent to medical, dental, and surgical treatment involving invasive procedures	N/A	N/A				
19	Right to consent to psychiatric and psychological treatment	N/A	N/A				
20	Right to receive and give receipt for periodic payments for the support of the child and hold or disburse the funds for the benefit of the child.	N/A	N/A			N/A	N/A
21	Right to represent the child in legal action and to make other decisions of substantial legal significance concerning the child	N/A	N/A				
22	Right to consent to marriage and enlistment in armed services of U.S.	N/A	N/A				
23	Right to make decisions concerning the child's education	N/A	N/A				
24	Right to services and earnings of the child, except as provided by section 264.0111 of the Texas Family Code	N/A	N/A				
25	Except when a guardian of the child's estate or a guardian or attorney ad litem has been appointed for the child, the right to act as an agent of the child in relation to the child's estate if the child's action is required by a	N/A	N/A				
26	Duty to manage the child's estate to the extent the estate has been created by community property or the joint property of the parents	N/A	N/A				