

Child Custody Court Case

Case Number: C12345678

Plaintiff

Name: Jane Doe

Address: 123 Maple Street, Springfield, IL 62704

Phone Number: (217) 555-1234

Defendant

Name: John Doe

Address: 456 Oak Avenue, Springfield, IL 62704

Phone Number: (217) 555-5678

Child

Name: Emily Doe

Date of Birth: June 15, 2010

Age: 14 years

Address: 123 Maple Street, Springfield, IL 62704

Overview

This document pertains to the child custody case involving the minor child, Emily Doe, and her parents, Jane Doe and John Doe. The case is being heard in the Family Division of the Springfield County Court under the case number C12345678. The plaintiff, Jane Doe, is seeking primary custody of Emily Doe, while the defendant, John Doe, is requesting joint custody. The purpose of this document is to provide a detailed account of the relevant facts and considerations for the court.

Background

Jane Doe and John Doe were married on September 20, 2005, and divorced on March 12, 2015, after nearly ten years of marriage. The divorce was granted on the grounds of irreconcilable differences. Since the divorce, Emily Doe has primarily resided with her mother, Jane Doe, at the address provided above. John Doe has had visitation rights, which he has exercised regularly.

Current Custody Arrangement

Under the current custody arrangement, Jane Doe has primary physical custody of Emily Doe, while John Doe has visitation rights every other weekend from Friday at 6:00 PM to Sunday at 6:00 PM. Additionally, John Doe has extended visitation during the summer months and alternating holidays.

Plaintiff's Position

Jane Doe is requesting primary physical custody of Emily Doe with limited visitation rights for John Doe. Jane Doe believes that this arrangement is in the best interest of the child due to the following reasons:

- **Stability and Continuity:** Emily has lived primarily with her mother since the divorce, providing her with a stable and familiar environment.
- **Educational Considerations:** Jane Doe resides within the boundaries of a highly regarded school district, where Emily is currently enrolled and excelling academically.
- **Emotional Well-being:** Jane Doe contends that Emily has a stronger emotional bond with her mother and that frequent disruptions in her routine could negatively impact her well-being.

Defendant's Position

John Doe is seeking joint physical custody of Emily Doe, arguing that it is in the best interest of the child to have an equal relationship with both parents. John Doe's position is based on the following points:

- **Parental Involvement:** John Doe has been actively involved in Emily's life, attending school events, extracurricular activities, and medical appointments.
- **Support System:** John Doe has a strong support system, including extended family members who are willing and able to assist with Emily's care.
- **Shared Responsibility:** John Doe believes that shared custody will provide Emily with a sense of security and balance, as both parents will play an equal role in her upbringing.

Relevant Factors for Consideration

The court will consider several factors in determining the best custody arrangement for Emily Doe, including but not limited to:

- **The child's relationship with each parent:** The court will evaluate the strength of Emily's relationship with both Jane and John Doe.
- **The child's adjustment to home, school, and community:** Emily's current living situation and her adaptation to her environment will be assessed.
- **The mental and physical health of all parties involved:** The court will review the health and well-being of Jane Doe, John Doe, and Emily Doe.
- **The ability of each parent to provide for the child's needs:** The court will consider the financial stability and capacity of each parent to meet Emily's needs.

- The child's preference: Although Emily is a minor, her preferences may be taken into account, especially given her age and maturity.

Conclusion

This document outlines the key aspects of the child custody case involving Emily Doe. Both Jane Doe and John Doe have presented their positions, and the court will carefully consider all relevant factors to determine the custody arrangement that serves the best interest of the child. The court's decision will aim to provide Emily with a stable, supportive, and nurturing environment that promotes her overall well-being and development.

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This document has been prepared to assist the court in making an informed decision regarding the custody of Emily Doe. All information provided is based on the current circumstances and evidence presented by both parties.