

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MARIN**

DATE: 02/20/24 TIME: 9:00 A.M. DEPT: D CASE NO: FL2002949

PRESIDING: HON. BETH S. JORDAN

REPORTER:

CLERK: STACY BOND

PETITIONER: COUNTY OF MARIN

and

RESPONDENT: ANDREW JACOB
RAMIREZ

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: REQUEST FOR ORDER – CHILD CUSTODY/VISITATION

RULING

This matter is set for hearing on Father’s Request for Order (“RFO”) filed 12/6/2023 re: child custody and visitation with respect to the parties’ minor child, Estella R. Ramirez Pantoja (dob 5/26/20).

Both parties were interviewed by Family Court Services (“FCS”), which reports the parties’ reached agreement on the following issues, which shall be ordered by the Court:

1. The parties shall share joint legal custody of Estella.
2. Both parents shall take a parenting class focused on parenting preschool age children. An online class is acceptable.
3. For any exchanges that occur at a halfway point between the parental homes, parents shall meet at the Target in Dublin (Contra Costa County).
4. Members of Mother’s family shall not follow Father in their car during his custody time.

As to matters the parties could not agree upon, the Court believes it is in the best interests of Estella to adopt the recommendations of FCS, as follows:

1. Joint legal custody.
 2. Parental Timeshare:
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As to the remaining disputed issues, the Court finds that it is in the best interests of the child to adopt the recommendations of Family Court Services as follows:

1. Joint physical custody.
2. Parental Timeshare:
 - a. For a period of one month, Father shall have parenting time with Estella in Marin County on alternate weekends for a day visit on Saturday and Sunday from 9 AM to 7 PM. The Saturday start time can begin at a later time if Father wishes, as he will be traveling from two hours away.
 - b. For the second month, Estella shall be in Father's custody in Marin County on alternate weekends from Friday after Father is off work through Sunday 7 PM.
 - c. Commencing the third month, Estella shall be in Father's custody on alternate weekends from Friday after Father gets off work through Sunday 7 PM. Father may bring Estella to Riverbank/Salidas (or wherever he is residing provided that it is no further away from Marin County than his current residence) for his parenting time.
3. Exchanges: Unless otherwise agreed to between the parents, exchanges shall occur at the Target in Dublin.
4. Both parents shall take a coparenting class.
5. If Father is contesting Estella's name change, Estella's name shall be changed back to the name listed on her birth certificate (Estella Rose Ramirez Pantoja).
6. The request for Estella to apply for a passport shall be deferred until parents establish a longer track record of cooperative coparenting.
7. Estella shall not travel out of the country absent written parental consent by both parties.
8. Father and Estella shall not be court mandated to attend reunification therapy, as this is not an appropriate resource for this family's current situation.
9. Father shall not be court mandated to attend individual therapy, although he may continue to voluntarily do so if he wishes.
10. Mother shall not place a location tracker on Estella or on her belongings when she shall be in Father's custody.
11. Father's custody time with Estella shall increase if Father is able to relocate closer to Marin County.

SO ORDERED.

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DATE: 02/20/24 TIME: 9:00 A.M. DEPT: D CASE NO: FL2200422

PRESIDING: HON. BETH S. JORDAN

REPORTER:

CLERK: STACY BOND

PETITIONER: SUZANNE BLEDSOE

and

RESPONDENT: ERIC BLEDSOE

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: REQUEST FOR ORDER – ATTORNEY’S FEES; OTHER:
ENFORCEMENT TERMS OF 9/25/2023 JUDGMENT

RULING

Appearances required.

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DATE: 02/20/24 TIME: 9:00 A.M. DEPT: D CASE NO: FL2301275

PRESIDING: HON. BETH S. JORDAN

REPORTER:

CLERK: STACY BOND

PETITIONER: ESTHERANNE
WACHUKA MACHARIA

and

RESPONDENT: JOSHUA MIAGO OBIERO

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: REQUEST FOR ORDER – CHILD SUPPORT; OTHER: SET ASIDE DEFAULT JUDGMENT

RULING

This matter is set for hearing on Petitioner/Mother’s Request for Order (“RFO”) re: child custody, visitation, child support modification, and reimbursements, filed 11/30/2023. The parties have one minor child, Harrison Kiago Milago (dob 9/7/2016), who is living in Massachusetts with Father.

First, the Court file contains no proof of service showing that Father was served with the RFO. Second, before any change in custody is considered, the parties are required to meet with Family Court Services (“FCS”). Marin County is a “recommending county.” A referral to FCS was made when the RFO was filed, but it does not appear that any mediation took place. Both parties are re-referred to FCS. Third, Mother has failed to provide the requisite financial information with her request for modification of child support. As a self-represented litigant, Mother is expected to review and abide by the Marin County Family Law Local Rules. In particular, Mother is referred to Marin Family Law Local Rule 7.13. Mother is also referred to the Court’s Legal Self-Help Center for assistance.

Given the inability of the Court to proceed on these issues, the matter is continued for hearing to April 9, 2024 to allow the parties sufficient time to meet with FCS and to provide the required financial information. Mother is also ordered to immediately have a copy of the RFO served on Father.

**THE COURT WILL PREPARE THE ORDER ON THIS MATTER,
PURSUANT TO RULE 5.125, CALIFORNIA RULES OF COURT**

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DATE: 02/20/24 TIME: 9:00 A.M. DEPT: D CASE NO: FL0000108

PRESIDING: HON. BETH S. JORDAN

REPORTER:

CLERK: STACY BOND

PETITIONER: TED VAN MIDDE

and

RESPONDENT: JENNIFER VAN MIDDE

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: REQUEST FOR ORDER – OTHER: REQUEST FOR SEPARATE TRIAL

RULING

This matter is set for hearing on Petitioner ‘s 1/18/2024 Request for Order (“RFO”) to sever the issue of marital status from the rest of this proceeding, and have a separate trial on that issue. Petitioner has served his Preliminary Declarations of Disclosure and filed a Declaration confirming such, and understands that if the marital status is terminated, he will be subject to the conditions set forth in Family Code § 2337(c) to protect Respondent’s interests.

Thus far, Respondent has not made an appearance nor in any way participated in this proceeding, which was filed six months ago. Nor has Respondent filed any response to the instant RFO, despite timely and valid service. Petitioner wants to move forward with his life, and asks the Court to reserve all issues other than the marital status.

The Court is satisfied that Petitioner has made the requisite showing for bifurcation. Pursuant to Family Code § 2337(a), the Court grants Petitioner’s request for a separate trial on the parties’ marital status, which will be set for 2/20/2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Department D.

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DATE: 02/20/24 TIME: 9:00 A.M. DEPT: D CASE NO: FL0000485

PRESIDING: HON. BETH S. JORDAN

REPORTER:

CLERK: STACY BOND

PETITIONER: PEDRO RENOJ
MORALES

and

RESPONDENT: MARINA BEATRIZ
ARMAS GARCIA

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: REQUEST FOR ORDER – CHILD
CUSTODY/VISITATION; OTHER: ADJUDICATE PARENTAGE

RULING

This matter set for hearing on Petitioner/Father’s 12/7/2023 Request for Order (“RFO”) to modify child custody and visitation regarding the parties’ minor daughter, Genesis Noemi Renoj Armas (dob 3/22/2023). Respondent/Mother did not file a response to the RFO, but both parties met with Family Court Services (“FCS”). Father seeks joint custody with a 50%-50% time-share. Mother does not wish Father to have any custody, but cited no parenting or other concerns about Father, stating that he had no vices. .

Given all of the circumstances, including Genesis’ very young age, the Court believes it is in the best interests of the minor child to adopt the Recommendations of FCS, as follows:

1. Joint legal custody. The parents shall share in the responsibility and confer in good faith on matters concerning the health, education, and welfare of Genesis. Each parent shall have access to Genesis’ school, medical, mental health, and dental records and the right to consult with professionals who are providing services to her.
 2. Joint physical custody.
 3. Parental Timeshare:
 - a. Until Genesis turns one-year-old, she shall be in Father’s custody each Saturday from 8 AM to 4 PM and Wednesday and Friday from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM.
 - b. When Genesis turns one-year-old, she shall be in Father’s custody each weekend from Friday after Father gets off work through Sunday 10 AM and each Wednesday from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM.
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- c. Parents shall work together to increase Father's parenting time with Genesis as she gets older.
 - d. Genesis shall be in Mother's custody at all other times when not in Father's custody.
4. Parents may modify the timeshare at any time per mutual parental agreement.

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