

3. There has been a substantial and material change in circumstances since the time the existing order was established. The change in circumstances is: [CHECK ONE]

The child(ren) now live(s) with me.

The child(ren) no longer live(s) with me.

Other: _____

4. Because of the substantial and material change in circumstances, the existing order should be changed. The new order should say: [DESCRIBE THE CHANGE YOU ARE REQUESTING]

5. The modification I am requesting is in the child(ren)'s best interests because: [DESCRIBE WHY THE CHANGE YOU ARE REQUESTING IS BEST FOR THE CHILD(REN)]

Request for Relief

I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST that [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]

- The Court grant my request to modify access to children and/or custody.
- The Court enter an Order setting forth a revised access schedule and/or custodial arrangement that is in the best interests of the minor child(ren).

I ALSO REQUEST that the Court award any other relief it considers fair and proper.

I Do Do NOT request an oral hearing in front of the judge on this motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

SIGN YOUR NAME

STREET ADDRESS

CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

TELEPHONE NUMBER

SUBSTITUTE ADDRESS: CHECK BOX IF YOU HAVE WRITTEN SOMEONE ELSE'S ADDRESS BECAUSE YOU FEAR HARASSMENT OR HARM.

If by consent:

OTHER PARTY'S SIGNATURE

DATE

I, _____, solemnly swear or affirm under criminal penalties for the making of a false statement that I have read the foregoing Motion to Modify Custody and/or Access to Children and that the factual statements made in it are true to the best of my personal knowledge, information and belief.

SIGN YOUR NAME

DATE

PRINT YOUR NAME

**POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF MOTION
TO MODIFY CUSTODY OR VISTATION**

In support of this Motion, I refer to:

1. Super. Ct. Dom. Rel. R. 7(b).
2. D.C. Code §§16-914, 16-914.01 and 16-4602.02.
3. The record in this case.
4. The attached supporting document(s), if any.

[LIST ANY DOCUMENTS THAT YOU ARE ATTACHING]

Rule 4(a)(1)
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
for Domestic Relations Motions to Modify

WHEN YOU FILE YOUR MOTION TO MODIFY, THE FAMILY COURT INTAKE CENTER WILL GIVE YOU A NOTICE OF MOTION.

YOU MUST SERVE THE NOTICE OF MOTION AND A COPY OF YOUR MOTION ON THE OTHER PARTY. YOU MUST SERVE THE OTHER PARTY BEFORE THE HEARING ON YOUR MOTION.

HERE ARE THE WAYS YOU CAN SERVE YOUR MOTION AND THE NOTICE OF MOTION:

- **by having someone else**, who is over 18 years old and not a party to the case (NOT you), **hand it to the other party**; or
- **by having someone else**, who is over 18 years old and not a party to the case (NOT you), **leave a copy at the other party's home** with a person of suitable age and discretion who lives there; or
- **by mailing it to the other party** by certified mail, return receipt requested.

IF THE RETURN RECEIPT ("GREEN CARD") COMES BACK TO YOU, FILE IT WITH THE FAMILY COURT CENTRAL INTAKE CENTER BY ATTACHING IT TO AN "AFFIDAVIT OF RETURN OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL."

AFTER YOU SERVE THE OTHER PARTY, YOU MUST COMPLETE THE CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE PORTION FOUND AT THE BOTTOM OF THE NOTICE OF MOTION AND FILE IT WITH THE FAMILY COURT CENTRAL INTAKE CENTER.