

**Petition for Civil Contempt
for Disobedience
of
Custody Order**

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This is a 4 part process. You are to fill out all parts of the following forms for the process to be complete so that Child Custody Services is notified to schedule a mediation conference:

- FORM 2 (Criminal Record/Abuse History Verification)
- FORM 5 (Request for Child Custody Mediation)
- FORM 7 (Petition for Civil Contempt for Disobedience of Custody Order)
- FORM 8 (Notice and Order To Appear)

Petition for Civil Contempt for Disobedience of Custody Order instructions are as follows:

List the Plaintiff, Defendant and the case number that was assigned to this case by the Prothonotary's office. This information will be at the top (or in the caption) of your current court order. This is a contempt petition because the opposing party willfully violated the current Fayette County custody order. Just because you are filing this petition does not make you the Plaintiff. If in the current order you are listed as the Plaintiff, you remain the Plaintiff. If you are listed as the Defendant, you remain the Defendant. You are the petitioner.

1. Circle that you are either the Plaintiff or the Defendant as indicated in the caption of your current court order. Enter the date of your last and current Fayette County custody order and the name of the assigned judge. Check the boxes that are appropriate for what type of custody was awarded to you or the opposing party in your last custody order. (You should be marking 2 boxes.)
2. List all reasons that the opposing party willfully failed to abide by the current custody order.
3. Please list the name of the opposing party (or if opposing party is represented by an attorney, the name of the attorney) and their current address and phone number.

Sign your name as the petitioner/attorney, print your name, list your address and telephone number.

Read the verification paragraph stating that you served the Notice and Order to Appear, Petition for Civil Contempt for Disobedience of Custody Order, a blank Criminal Record/Abuse History Verification and Request for Child Custody Mediation on the opposing party (or if they are represented by an attorney, on the attorney) and that the information is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge. Please circle how you served the documents and sign your name.

Make a copy of your current Fayette County custody order and attached the copy to the completed Petition for Contempt.

Proceed to FORM 8: Notice and Order to Appear (Contempt)

Proceed to FORM 5: Request for a Child Custody Mediation Conference and follow those instructions.

File in the Prothonotary's office the original:

- a. Notice and Order To Appear
- b. Petition for Civil Contempt for Disobedience of Custody Order with a copy of the current custody order attached
- c. Request for a Child Custody Mediation Conference
- d. Criminal Record/Abuse History Verification form

and deliver a copy of the forms and the paid fee receipt to the Administrative Office of Fayette Courts and opposing party.

The Administrative Office will forward the forms to Child Custody Services.

Child Custody Services will not schedule a mediation conference without these required forms.