

## **PARENTING HISTORY SURVEY**

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The Parenting History Survey (PHS) is a written interview that asks you to briefly present basic background information about the parenting of your child, their caretaking, and their previous and current living situations. The PHS is intended to give you an opportunity to answer these questions in private, outside the stress of an interview, at your own pace, and in your own words. Anticipate that while completing the PHS some people feel as if they are re-experiencing a difficult time in their lives—much as they would if they were discussing the time with another person. Take your time. Feel free to take breaks as you work.

You will be asked to provide both facts and opinions. Answer all the answers. Mark any “Not Applicable” question as “NA”. Mark with a star (\*) the questions that you feel address the most important issues in the evaluation. If the space provided is not sufficient for you to answer a fully, write in only the most important part of your answer and mark that question with a star (\*) also. Remember that this questionnaire is only an attempt to briefly alert the evaluator to significant issues—not an attempt to present each issue and concern completely. You will have an opportunity to be more complete in the interviews. Do your best not to overstate or understate the information that you provide.

The term “other parent” is used throughout the PHS. In most instances, the “other parent” refers to the child’s other biological parent. The other parent may also be another parent figure or caretaker of the children (e.g. step-parent, aunt, uncle, grandparent, or foster parent). If the children have more than one other parent, answer the questions using “other parent” to refer to the person who is contesting you in their matter.

If you do not have current information about the other parent, answer the questions about the other parent as best you can based on your previous knowledge of that person. If you or the other parent are not one of the biological parents, some of the questions will not apply to you as written. Answer all the questions about yourself. Use the other questions as an opportunity to tell the evaluation anything that you think might be helpful in conducting the evaluation.

The office personnel will help you with any part of the questionnaire that you do not understand (such as the meaning of a word) but they will not help you with interpreting the psychological meaning or importance of a question. The PHS is not a test of spelling, grammar, neatness, or how small you can print. It is important that you write legibly. Use ink or type on the form so they may be photocopied later. Confine your answers to the space provided. Do not attach extra sheets or write in the margins. Complete it yourself. Do not discuss it with anyone including your attorney or your family until after you have returned it to this office.

Some of the questions may ask for information that you have already provided in a previous answer, when this occurs, direct the reader to the previous question. Except when a summary is requested, there is no need to provide the same information more than once. You will find the task much easier if you return the whole questionnaire before beginning. By doing so you may anticipate where to best provide information and how to avoid repeating the same answer. The PHS contains about 100 questions. There is no time limit. You do not need to respond “yes” or “no” to about half of the questions unless you feel there is a significant concern, allegation, or conflict in the area address by the question. Unless instructed otherwise, it is important that you return this questionnaire at least two days before you next appointment so that there is adequate time for the evaluator to read it before the appointment.

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YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

OTHER PARENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Name of Child:	Sex:	Current Age:	Date of Birth:	Biological Mother:	Biological Father:
_____	M/F	___yrs___mo	___/___/___	_____	_____
_____	M/F	___yrs___mo	___/___/___	_____	_____
_____	M/F	___yrs___mo	___/___/___	_____	_____
_____	M/F	___yrs___mo	___/___/___	_____	_____
_____	M/F	___yrs___mo	___/___/___	_____	_____

What is the children's biological relationship and legal relationship with yourself and with the other parent?

BIOLOGICAL RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU: \_\_\_\_\_ WITH OTHER PARENT: \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU: \_\_\_\_\_ WITH OTHER PARENT: \_\_\_\_\_

Check below the major strengths or significant assets that you feel exist or existed in your relationship with the other parent for any substantial period of time during your relationship:

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mutual pride & respect    | <input type="checkbox"/> Shared world view              | <input type="checkbox"/> Differences that complement             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Openness, intimacy, trust | <input type="checkbox"/> Love, affection & sex          | <input type="checkbox"/> Compatible marital roles/expatiations   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parenting styles          | <input type="checkbox"/> Compatible faiths & beliefs    | <input type="checkbox"/> Desire to have children & to be parents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Handling of finances      | <input type="checkbox"/> Shared experiences & interests | <input type="checkbox"/> Balance of authority, power, & control  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friendship & support      | <input type="checkbox"/> Common goals & desires         | <input type="checkbox"/> Mutual job/professional success         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other, list:              |   |  |

6. Indicate below any major adult-oriented concerns that you have had (or that you presently have) about the other parent. Answer by completing the statement: "The other parent did (or may)..."

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|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> threaten to mistreat me." | <input type="checkbox"/> use alcohol to excess."         | <input type="checkbox"/> use or create abusive conflicts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> emotionally mistreat me." | <input type="checkbox"/> use drugs to excess."           | <input type="checkbox"/> have a long term emotional or   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> sexually mistreat me."    | <input type="checkbox"/> threaten to harm him/her self." | Physical impairment                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> physically mistreat me."  | <input type="checkbox"/> physically harm him/her self."  | <input type="checkbox"/> withhold contact or access to   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> other, list:              |  | the children from me                                     |

7. Indicate below any major children-oriented concerns that you have had (or that you now have) about the other parent. Answer by completing the statement: "The other parent did (or may)..."

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> threaten to neglect or physically mistreat them." | <input type="checkbox"/> chose to be absent from them for extended periods." |
| <input type="checkbox"/> emotionally mistreat or neglect them."            | <input type="checkbox"/> have an impaired emotional bond with them."         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> sexually mistreat them."                          | <input type="checkbox"/> be an adequate parent, but I am better for them."   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> physically mistreat them."                        | <input type="checkbox"/> be inadequate or incompetent to care for them.'     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> other, list:                                      |  |

8. Summarize of the major aspects of the current situation from your perspective.

9. Indicate below the major concerns or allegations that you think that other parent is likely to raise about you. Answer by completing the statement: "The other parent is likely to say that I did (or that I may)..."

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|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| ___ emotionally mistreat the children."               | ___ emotionally mistreat him/her." | ___ use alcohol is excess."   |
| ___ sexually mistreat the children."                  | ___ sexually mistreat him/her."    | ___ use drugs to excess."     |
| ___ threaten to physically mistreat the children."    | ___ threaten to mistreat him/her." | ___ threaten to harm myself." |
| ___ physically mistreat the children."                | ___ physically mistreat him/her."  | ___ physically harm myself."  |
| ___ be adequate, but that he/she is better for them." |                                    |                               |
| ___ be inadequate or incompetent to care for them."   |                                    |                               |
| ___ other, list."                                     |                                    |                               |

10. Summarize how you think the other parent would describe the major aspects of the current situation.

11. Are any other professionals actively involved in this matter such as a Guardian Ad Litem (GAL), Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), attorney for the child, Juvenile, Domestic, or Family Court Case Worker, Child Protective Services (CPS) Case Worker, teacher, pastor, physician, counselor, therapist, mental specialist, ect? (Yes \_\_, NO \_\_). If "Yes", provide each name and phone number, describe their involvement, and indicate if you will have them call the evaluator when requested.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Involvement or Role</u>	Do you agree to have the evaluator consult with them when requested?
1.			(Yes __/No __)
2.			(Yes __/No __)
3.			(Yes __/No __)

12. List below any additional persons whom you would like to have evaluated or consulted, indicate the reason that you would like them to be involved, and indicate if you will have them call the evaluator when requested.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Involvement or Role</u>	Do you agree to have the evaluator consult with them when requested?
1.			(Yes __/No __)
2.			(Yes __/No __)
3.			(Yes __/No __)

13. The parenting, visitation, or residence arrangement now in effect began about \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_.

14. This current arrangement is a [\_\_\_] temporary or a [\_\_\_] permanent parenting, visitation, or residence arrangement.

15. Who decided what the current parenting, visitation ,or residence arrangements would be? How what the decision reached?

16. Indicate when the children are scheduled to reside with and to be cared for by you, the other parent, and/or another custodian.

Days and hours with you:

Days and hours with the parent or another custodian:

17. Are there significant problems involving the current visitation or residence scheduled itself?

(Yes \_\_/No \_\_). If "Yes", describe:

18. What led to the change from any previous parenting, visitation, or residence arrangement to the current one?

19. Is this evaluation being conducted by order of the court? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_)

Has the evaluator been appointed by the court? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_)

If "Yes", indicate the court appointed role:

Evaluator (\_\_\_), Guardian ad Litem (\_\_\_), Arbiter (\_\_\_), Special Master (\_\_\_)

Is this the first psychological, psychiatric, or mental health evaluation of any type in which any member of the family or families has participated? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_)

Is this evaluation being with the knowledge and consent of each person who has legal custody of each child in question? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_)

Is this evaluation permitted without any restriction in all previous court orders? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_)

If "No" to any of the above, describe:

20. If you or the order parent is currently represented by counsel, provide the name, address, and phone number of each attorney.

NAME OF YOUR ATTORNEY:

NAME OF OTHER PARENT'S ATTORNEY:

ADDRESS:

ADDRESS:

CITY, STATE, ZIP:

CITY, STATE, ZIP:

PHONE NUMBER:

PHONE NUMBER:

21. Have you ever had a different attorney (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_) and have you ever acted as your own attorney (ie: appeared 'pro se') in any matter before the court? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_).

22. Has the other parent ever had a different attorney (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_) and has the other parent ever acted as his/her own attorney (ie: appeared 'pro se') in any matter before the court? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_)

23. Describe the extent of the court's involvement in this matter to date. Include your understanding of the current orders of the court.

24. Are there any documents that you would like the evaluator to review (such as pleadings, court orders, decrees, affidavits, police reports, letters, school or medical records)? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", provide copies of the documents to the evaluator. Summarize the major facts that you want the evaluator to gain from reviewing these documents.

25. Have you received any other professional evaluations, recommendations, or opinions related to this matter? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). Are there any additional professional opinions anticipated? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). Will you provide of copies of any past and future evaluations, letters, or reports to this office? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). Do you consent for the evaluator to consult with these persons? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). Describe if appropriate.

26. Are there any upcoming court dates, or other deadlines of which you are aware? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). Will you notify this office when future dates for conferences, depositions, hearings, or trials are determined? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). Remember to reserve time with the evaluator for his/her testimony, if desired.

Mediation: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Hearing: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Deposition: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Trial: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

27. Is there additional information that you would like to present regarding the legal history of this matter? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

28. Provide the name, relationship, and age of each of your parents, brothers, and sisters, including step-parents, half-siblings and step-siblings.

Name:                      Relationship:    Age:    Name:                      Relationship:    Age:

29. Describe the quality of the relationship between your parents when you were a child. Indicate when they were married and how long they were married. Indicate their current status, if they were ever separated or divorced, and if so, when and how often.

30. Might concerns or allegations about the children's relationships and involvements with their extended families on either side including step-parents, aunts, uncles, cousins, grandparents, step-grandparents, ect. be raised as part of this evaluation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_).

32. Indicate the last three schools you attended, the area, program, or major, in which you concentrated, the dates of attends, the degree(s) earned, and your average grades at those schools. Do you consent to consult with your present and past schools and teachers? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_).

School:	Area/Program/Major:	Dates Attended:	Degree Earned:	Average Grades:
		___/___ to ___/___		
		___/___ to ___/___		
		___/___ to ___/___		

33. Might concerns or allegations be raised about your educational history or that of the other parent that are relevant to the current evaluation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe and include any information about any educational program left prior to completion.

34. Describe your work history for your past four employments. Start with your most recent position. Include homemaker or periods of unemployment, where appropriate. Do you consent for the evaluator to consult with your present and past employers? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_).

Employer:	Position:	Dates of Employment:	Major Responsibilities:	Reason(s) for Leaving:
		____/____ To ____/____		
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		____/____ To ____/____		
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		____/____ To ____/____		
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		____/____ To ____/____		

35. Might concerns or allegations be raised about your work and professional history or that of the other parent that would be relevant to the current evaluation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

36. Might concerns or allegations about your physical health or that of the other parent be raised as part of the evaluation including such concerns as illnesses, injuries, physical fitness, smoking, over/under eating, etc? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe your general health and describe any concerns. Do you consent for the evaluator to consult with all of your present and past health care providers and those of your children? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_).

37. Might concerns or allegations about coercive, intimidating, aggressive, violent, or hostile behavior on your part be raised by the other parent as part of this evaluation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.



41. Indicate the amount of alcohol you drank in the past year. Indicate when you drank (e.g. days, evenings, weekends), where (e.g. home, job, restaurants, parties), what (e.g. beer, wine, liquor), how often (e.g. number of times each day, week, or month), and how much you drank each time (e.g. number of drinks)

When:	Where:	What:	How Often:	How Much Each Time:

42. Indicate the amount of alcohol the other parent drank in the past year.

When:	When:	What:	How Often:	How Much Each Time:

43. Might concerns or allegations about your use of alcohol or that of the other parent be raised as part of this evaluation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe any history of problems involving the use of alcohol and any changes in this patter.

44. Describe your use of all non-legal drugs in the past year. Indicate when (days, evenings, weekends), where (home, job, parties), what (marijuana, cocaine, pills), how often (number of times each day, week, or month), and how much you took or used each time.

When:	Where:	What:	How Often:	How Much Each Time:

45. Describe the use of all non-legal drugs by the other parent in the past year.

When:	Where:	What:	How Often:	How Much Each Time:

46. Might concerns or allegations about your use of legal or non-legal drugs or that of the other parent be raised as part of this evaluation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe the history of any drug use and describe any changes in this pattern.

47. Has there been any contact with any professional or agency that was related to emotional or behavioral difficulties, personality problems, mental illness, anger or violence, drugs use, counseling, arrests, or incarcerations by you (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_), your family (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_), the other parent (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_) that you have not already described? If "Yes" to any, describe.





52. Did the other parent contribute significantly to the problems in your relationship? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If “Yes”, describe your understanding of each of the significantly problems contributed to by the other parent, how the other parent contributed to each problem, and when each problem became serious.

53. What led to the ultimate break-up of the relationship with the other parent? Who initiated the decision and action to end the relationship? What impact has this had on the current situation?

54. Between the start and the end of your relationship with the other parent, were you involved in any other romantic or intimate relationships? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If “Yes”, describe what impact this has had on the current situation and describe any relationship between your children and the other person(s).

55. Are you currently residing with the other parent? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "No", provide the date of separation (\_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_). Describe your current living arrangements.

56. Are you currently involved in any romantic or intimate relationships? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe what impact this has had on the current situation and describe any relationship between your children and the person with whom you currently have a romantic relationship. What do you contemplate to be your future involvement in this relationship? Would you agree to also have this person evaluated? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_)

57. Between the start and the end of your relationship with the other parent, do you think that the other parent was involved with other persons in any romantic or intimate relationships? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", to either, describe what impact this has had on the current situation and describe any relationship between your children and each other person.

58. Might any additional concerns or allegations about your sexuality with other adults or that of the other parent be raised as an issue in this evaluation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

59. Might concerns or allegations be raised about the possibility that any child might be or might have been "at risk" for physical, sexual, or emotional abuse, or exploitation while the child was/is in your care? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_) or that of other parent (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_)? If "Yes", describe.

60. Do you have concerns that any child, including your own, might be or might have been "at risk" for abuse, neglect, or exploitation from anyone else that you or the other parent knows? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

61. To the best of your knowledge, has anyone in your family (including you), anyone in the other parent's family (including the other parent), or any of the children been the victim of any form of abuse, neglect, or exploitation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe any concern that you have not already mentioned or that you wish to emphasize.

62. What percent of the parenting of the children did you provide in the last six months that you and the other parent lived together in the same residence?

\_\_\_ 0%-14%    \_\_\_ 15%-24%    \_\_\_ 25%-34%    \_\_\_ 35%-44%    \_\_\_ 45%-54%  
 \_\_\_ 55%-64%    \_\_\_ 65%-74%    \_\_\_ 75%-84%    \_\_\_ 85%-100%

63. In the last six months that you and the other parent lived in the same residence, indicate the approximate number of times that you and the other parent typically. . .

	You Per Month:	Other Parent Per Month:	Comments:
Dressed the children...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Bathed them...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Toileted them...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Read to them...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Cooked for or fed them...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Played with them...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Disciplined them...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Helped them with homework...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Put them to bed...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Woke them in the morning...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Took them to or from school...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Shopped for their toys and books...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Shopped for their clothes...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Got up in the night with them...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Stayed home with them when they were sick...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Took them to/from religious activities...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Took them to sports and school activities...	_____ times	_____ times	_____
Specify _____	--- _____ times	_____ times	_____
Specify _____	--- _____ times	_____ times	_____

64. Describe how the parenting tasks and responsibilities were typically and accomplished between you and the other parent. How was this decision decided upon? How did this pattern develop and evolve over time?

65. What are your strengths and assets in the way you parent the children?

66. Might concerns or allegations about your parenting activities, parenting ability, or parenting style be raised as a part of this evaluation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

67. What are the strengths and assets in the way that the other parent parents the children?

68. Might concerns about the parenting activities, parenting ability, or parenting style of the other parent be raised as part of this evaluation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

69. Are there any significant disagreements between you and the other parent in the area of education for the children? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe your involvement and that of the other parent with school personnel and school activities.

70. Are there any significant disagreements between you and the other parent involving the children's religious experiences and training? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe your involvement and that of the other parent in this area.

71. Are there any significant disagreement between you and the other parent involving any of the children's athletic or recreational activities? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe your involvement and that of the other parent in each activity.

72. Are there any significant disagreements between you and the other parent in any other special interest, activity, trait, ability, or skill that the children enjoy? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe you involvement and that of the other parent in these areas.

73. Provide name, address, and phone number of each physician, dentist, therapist, counselor, or other provider of health care for each of the children. Indicate any problem which that the provider is treating, the name of the person who brought the child to the last visit, and the date of the last visit to each provider.

Name of Provider: _____	Child & Problem(s) Being Treated	Person Who Brought
Profession _____		Child to last Visit:
Address: _____		_____
_____		Date of last visit:
Phone: _____		____/____/____

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Profession _____		Child to last Visit:
Address: _____		_____
_____		Date of last visit:
Phone: _____		____/____/____

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Profession _____		Child to last Visit:
Address: _____		_____
_____		Date of last visit:
Phone: _____		____/____/____

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_____		Date of last visit:
Phone: _____		____/____/____

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Profession _____		Child to last Visit:
Address: _____		_____
_____		Date of last visit:
Phone: _____		____/____/____

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74. Are there any significant disagreements between you and the other parent in the area of health care? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe your involvement and that of the other parent in the health care for the children.

75. Do you believe that any of the children could benefit from any special services related to speech, hearing, or sight problems, or from other physical or psychological problems, developmental delay, or chemical addictions? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

76. What is your work schedule and what is the schedule of the other adult activities in which you engage such as athletic teams, club meetings, classes, or church? How often are you out of town? How might these commitments affect the children's schedule?

77. What is the work schedule of the other parent and what is the schedule of other adult activities in which the other parent engages such as athletic teams, club meetings, classes, or church? How often is the other parent out of town? How might these commitments affect the children's schedule?

78. What are the children's school schedules and what are the schedules of the other activities in which the children engage such as work, sports, church, and other classes, groups, teams, clubs, and activities? How might these commitments effects the parenting schedules?

79. Have there been any difficulties regarding telephone or mail contact with the children during separations? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", indicate the difficulty and your thoughts about the best solution.\

80. Do you believe that the other parent might contemplate limiting the access between you and any of the children? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

81. Do you believe that there is currently a "primary parent" to whom the children feel more attached or with whom the children feel more involved? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", in what way might that person be seen as the "primary parent". Describe the way in which the "non-primary" parent could have been more involved with the children.

82. Have any of the children resided or lived for an extended period with someone other than the biological parents? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

83. What has been each child's experience with separation from each of the parent in the past? What is the longest that each child has been separated from each of the parents? How did each child react to being separated? Describe each answer.

84. Do you contemplate any move of your residence or change in your living arrangements in the foreseeable future? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

85. Might concerns or allegations about the residencies, living conditions, or neighborhoods of either parent be raised as an issue in this evaluation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe your residence and that of the other parent indicating where the children have friends, play, do homework, and sleep and describe the concern.

86. Have the children said anything to you or to others with regard to their perceptions, feelings, opinions, and preferences about their parenting, visitation, or residence?(Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

87. Why do you think the children said what you indicated in the prior question? Also indicate whether you think the children spoke spontaneously, were questioned, or were led to say what they did.

88. How much weight do you think should be given to the children's perceptions, feelings, opinions, and preferences? Why?

89. Do you believe that the children's having a substantial future relationship with the other parent is important to their welfare? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). Explain your answer and include what you believe would be the value or benefit and the detriment or risk to the children of a future relationship with the other parent.  
Value or Benefit:

Detriment or Risk:

90. Describe what you believe to be the best parenting, visitation, or residence schedule and arrangement for the children. Indicate the schedule the days and the hours that each of the children would be in your care and in the care of their other parent during regular non-holiday and non-special occasion time.

91. Describe the schedule you think best for the following three school vacations:

1. Winter Vacation (including Christmas Eve/Day and New Year's Eve/Day):

2. Spring Vacation (Including Easter Sunday):

3. Summer Vacation (Including the Fourth of July and Labor Day):

92. Describe the yearly schedule you think would be best for each of the following occasions:

	With You:	With the Parent:	Alternate Yearly:	No Special Schedule:	Other:
Presidents Day	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____
M. L. King's Birthday	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____
Valentine's Day	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____
Memorial Day	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____
Halloween	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____
Thanksgiving Weekend	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____
Children's Birthday	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____
Your Birthday	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____
Other Parent's Birthday	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____
Mother's Day	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____
Father's Day	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____
Religious Holidays	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	_____

93. What is the maximum number of days that you think the children could be separated without ill affect from you and from the other parent routinely for regularly scheduled visitation/parenting and occasionally for longer vacations?

Routine separation for visitation/parenting from yourself for up to \_\_\_\_\_ days. From the other parent for up to \_\_\_\_\_ days.

Occasional separation for vacation/holiday travel from yourself for up to \_\_\_\_ days. From the other parent for up to \_\_\_\_ days.

94. Briefly identify the arrangements you currently have made regarding the children's future schooling, child care, contacts with other children, and contacts with relatives.

95. Are you willing to arrange your current and future residencies and living circumstances such that the access of any of the children to the other parent is not decreased? (This would include where you live, ease of access to transportation, use of a telephone, etc.) (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "No", describe.

96. What level of hostility do you feel now between you and the other parent?  
\_\_\_ none, \_\_\_ minimal, \_\_\_ relatively mild, \_\_\_ moderate, \_\_\_ moderately severe,  
\_\_\_ severe, \_\_\_ life threatening

97. This hostility has also included:

\_\_\_ financial manipulations/control    \_\_\_ violence toward/destruction of property    \_\_\_ alienation of the children's  
\_\_\_ strong expressions of dislike    \_\_\_ threats of personal physical violence    affection  
\_\_\_ other verbal violence/abuse    \_\_\_ actual personal physical violence    \_\_\_ withhold access to the  
\_\_\_ custodial interference/kidnapping of the children    children  
\_\_\_ other, list:

98. Describe how you and the other parent have planned for the children and have resolved differences of opinion regarding the welfare of the children in the past three months. Has this been typically by telephone, in meetings, through therapists, mediators, or attorneys, through the courts, or by other means?

99. Describe how you and the other parent planned for the children and resolved differences of opinion regarding the welfare of the children before there were serious problems in your relationship.

100. What level of hostility do you feel is likely to exist between you and the other parent in about six months from now:

none,  minimal,  relatively mild,  moderate,  moderately severe,  severe,  life threatening

101. This hostility is likely to include:

financial manipulations/control  violence toward/destruction of property  alienation of the children's affection  
 strong expressions of dislike  threats of personal physical violence  
 other verbal violence/abuse  actual personal physical violence  withhold access to the children  
 custodial interference/kidnapping of the children  
 other, list:

102. List what you think are the four most likely areas of continuing or future disagreement and conflict between you and the other parent. For each of these areas of difficulty, indicate the form of decision making and the form of dispute resolution that you feel would be the best to deal with each area of difficulty.

<u>Area of Difficulty:</u>	<u>Form of Decision Making and Dispute Resolution:</u>
_____	-> decision making that is <input type="checkbox"/> joint or <input type="checkbox"/> primary by _____
<input type="checkbox"/> arbitration, <input type="checkbox"/> court order	-> dispute resolution through <input type="checkbox"/> counseling, <input type="checkbox"/> mediation,
_____	-> decision making that is <input type="checkbox"/> joint or <input type="checkbox"/> primary by _____
<input type="checkbox"/> arbitration, <input type="checkbox"/> court order	-> dispute resolution through <input type="checkbox"/> counseling, <input type="checkbox"/> mediation,
_____	-> decision making that is <input type="checkbox"/> joint or <input type="checkbox"/> primary by _____
<input type="checkbox"/> arbitration, <input type="checkbox"/> court order	-> dispute resolution through <input type="checkbox"/> counseling, <input type="checkbox"/> mediation,
_____	-> decision making that is <input type="checkbox"/> joint or <input type="checkbox"/> primary by _____
<input type="checkbox"/> arbitration, <input type="checkbox"/> court order	-> dispute resolution through <input type="checkbox"/> counseling, <input type="checkbox"/> mediation,

103. Have you told the children about the current legal situation (separation, dissolution, clarification, modification, contempt, holiday visitation, health care, child support, spousal support, etc.)? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). Have you shown them any of the court papers, any of the evidence, or any exhibits, or any reports, opinions, or recommendations? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). Have the children spoken with any of your attorneys? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes" to any question, describe.

104. Is it your opinion or belief that the other parent has told the children about the current legal situation (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_), has shown them any of the court papers, any of the evidence or any exhibits, or any reports, opinions, or recommendations (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_), or has had the children speak with any other attorneys? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes" to any question, describe.

105. Are there any additional significant issues that might be raised regarding the care, welfare, parenting, visitation, or residence, of the children, that you have not already mentioned? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", describe.

106. Is there any additional information, either positive and negative, that you would like to have considered in this evaluation? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_). If "Yes", feel free to include any information about events, incidents, decisions, judgments, or patterns of behavior or anything else that you have not already mentioned.

107. Summarize who you believe to be the most important issues and concerns that you wish to have considered.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

How many hours did you spend completing the PHS? (\_\_\_\_\_ hours)

Did you have adequate time to complete the PHS before it was due? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_)

Would you like it returned to you for additional time? (Yes\_\_\_/No\_\_\_)

Please indicate how adequate you found this questionnaire to be in providing to you an initial brief opportunity to organize and present basic background information about the current parenting, custody, visitation, and/or residence situation?

very adequate       adequate       neutral       inadequate       very inadequate

OPTIONAL: Do you have any suggestions for improving the PHS so that it might be more useful to the in the future? Can you suggest particular questions that might be added, omitted, or reworded?