

1 NAME: _____

2 ADDRESS: _____

3 TELEPHONE: _____

Petitioner [] Pro Se

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5 **IN THE TRIBAL COURT OF THE**
6 **FORT MCDOWELL YAVAPAI NATION (ARIZONA)**

7 _____)

Case No.: _____

Membership # _____)

8 Address: _____)

INITIAL PETITION TO ESTABLISH

9 _____)

[] Paternity

10 vs. _____)

[] Child Support

[] Child Custody

[] Visitation

[] Other (specify)

11 Membership # _____)

12 Address: _____)

13 _____)

14 1. The person who is filing this Petition is [] mother [] father

15 2. The Petitioner [] is/ [] is not an enrolled member of the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation.

16 If not enrolled, please specify tribe (or other) _____.

17 3. The Respondent [] is/ [] is not an enrolled member of the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation.

18 If not enrolled, please specify tribe (or other) _____.

19 4. The Petitioner and Respondent are:

20 [] Legally married or [] Not legally married.

21 5. The children are:

22 Child's Name Date of Birth Age Sex

23 _____

24 _____

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(See attached Birth Certificates as Exhibit(s) "____".

6. The court has jurisdiction over the respondent because the Respondent:

[] Resides (lives) on the Fort McDowell Yavapai Reservation.

1 [] Enrolled member of the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation.
2 [] Other (please specify): _____

- 3 7. Petitioner claims (check all that apply):
4 [] Respondent is the child's mother,
5 [] Respondent is the child's father,
6 [] Paternity has already been established by Voluntary Declaration of Parentage or Birth
7 Certificate (*attach copy*).
8 [] Respondent who is the child's parent has failed to support the child.
9 [] Other (*specify*): _____

8. Who should have **legal custody** of the following children?

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>MOTHER</u>	<u>FATHER</u>	<u>JOINT</u>

9. Who should have **physical custody** of the following children?

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>MOTHER</u>	<u>FATHER</u>	<u>JOINT</u>

10. Should the non-custodial parent have parenting time (visitation) rights with the children?

[] No. [] Yes, reasonable visitation.
[] Yes, but only as follows (specify): _____

(If you need more space, attach additional sheets of paper).

11. Should there be restrictions on parenting time (visitation)? Specify (*Use additional sheets of paper if needed*):

12. Does the **mother** need child support. [] YES [] NO.
Mother's occupation is _____

1 Mother's place of employment _____

2 What is the mother's gross monthly income from all earnings? \$ _____

3 (Attach copy of your last 2 paycheck stubs/receipts and complete parents financial worksheet,
4 which may be obtained from the Clerk)

5 If unemployed, is there other form of income? (specify) _____

6 Does the **father** need child support. [] YES [] NO.

7 Father's occupation is _____

8 Father's place of employment _____

9 What is the father's gross monthly income from all earnings? _____

10 (Attach copy of your last 2 paycheck stubs/receipts and complete parents financial worksheet,
11 which may be obtained from the Clerk)

12 If unemployed, is there other form of income? (specify) _____

13 13. The mother or husband is an able bodied person and can pay child support in the
14 amount of:

15 [] \$ _____ per child, to be paid in full.

16 [] \$ _____ per week.

17 [] \$ _____ per every two (2) weeks.

18 [] \$ _____ per month.

19 [] \$ _____ taken out of Per Capita Distribution.

20 [] \$ _____ Other (specify) _____.

21 14. Should the children's names be changed? If yes, specify:

22 Present Name New Name Why?

23 _____

24 _____

25 _____

THEREFORE, the Petitioner respectfully request that:

A. The [] Petitioner [] Respondent be declared the natural father of:

Child's Name Date of Birth Age Sex

B. The [] Petitioner [] Respondent be granted custody of the minor child(ren).

C. The [] Petitioner [] Respondent contribute \$ _____ for the support and
maintenance of the child(ren).

1 D. The [] Petitioner [] Respondent be awarded parenting time (visitation) rights with the
2 child(ren) as follows: _____
3 _____
4 _____

5 E. Order other relied not specified in this Petition that this Court deems fair and just under the
6 circumstances.

7 Dated this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

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9 _____
Petitioner's signature

10 STATE OF ARIZONA)
11) SS
County of _____)

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13 Petitioner _____ being first duly sworn upon oath states: I am the
14 Petitioner in the above-entitled action and I have read the above Petition and know its
15 contents and therefore attest that the information is correct and true to the best of my
16 knowledge.

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18 Date: _____

Petitioner's signature

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20 SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this ____ day of _____, 20 ____.

21 My Commission Expires:

22 By: _____

23 Notary Public or Court Clerk

24 **NOTE:** You must provide the court with the mailing address of the Respondent so that a copy of
25 your Petition and a Civil Summons can be served on him/her. You must sign this
Petition in the presence of a Notary Public or Court Clerk.