

Court Is now in Session/Back in Session

Good Morning/Afternoon. We are here in \_\_\_\_\_ CVD \_\_\_\_\_ for Plaintiff's /Defendant's Motion for \_\_\_\_\_ or Temporary Claim for Custody. In accordance with Emergency Directive 1 of the Order of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina dated April 2, 2020, this proceeding is being conducted remotely through Webex video teleconferencing with the consent of the parties. In accordance with Section 18 of Article I of the Constitution of North Carolina these proceedings are open to the public. Any individual interested in viewing the proceedings may do so by contacting the Family Court Administrator for a video link to the proceedings. {Or these proceedings have been closed to the public due to the Covid 19 pandemic, but copies of the hearing will be made available to the public following the hearing. Anyone interested in obtaining a copy of the hearing may request a copy through the Wake County Clerk of Court. }

Present in the Court is myself, Judge \_\_\_\_\_ and the FCA Yvette Smith. Also present are \_\_\_\_\_. These proceedings are being recorded by the Judge and no other recordings are authorized. The parties and counsel have stipulated that this proceeding will last one (1) hour and each side will have 30 minutes each to present his or her case. They have also stipulated that  No exhibits will be submitted OR  Only five exhibits per side will be allowed and each exhibit must consist of no more than five pages. Is this Correct?

Notwithstanding the use of video conferencing, proper courtroom decorum as outlined in Rule 12 of the General Rules of Practice for the Superior and District Courts is required during this proceeding. Parties and counsel are free to communicate privately with each other during the hearing, provided however, that parties MAY NOT communicate with counsel during his or her testimony. No one may communicate privately with witnesses during the hearing.

Parties will be subject to indirect criminal contempt proceedings if they fail to follow these rules or there is a disruption of this remote hearing. Are there any questions before we begin?