

**NOTICE/SUMMONS AND ORDER
FOR HEARING - TERMINATION
OF PARENTAL RIGHTS**

JD-JM-40 Rev. 9-2000 C.G.S. 45a-716

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
SUPERIOR COURT
JUVENILE MATTERS
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INSTRUCTIONS TO CLERK

1. Set matter down for hearing not less than 20 nor more than 30 days after petition is filed.
2. Fill in name and telephone number of clerk in "Notice to Person(s)..."

SUPERIOR COURT FOR JUVENILE MATTERS AT (Address of Court)

IN THE INTEREST OF (Name of child/youth)

SUMMONS/ORDER FOR HEARING AND NOTICE

The attached petition for termination of parental rights in the interest of the above-named minor child/youth having been presented to the court, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. that the following persons be and hereby are summoned to appear before said court at the above address on →
2. that any proper officer make due and legal service of the order and summons and the foregoing petition at least ten (10) days before the above hearing date as follows:

A HEARING ON THIS MATTER IS SCHEDULED FOR:	
DATE	TIME (A.M./P.M.)

BY PERSONAL SERVICE, having a true and attested copy of the petition and this order left with and in the hands of:
NAME AND ADDRESS

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

BY CERTIFIED MAIL, restricted delivery, return receipt requested, addressed to:
NAME AND ADDRESS

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

BY PUBLICATION IN (Name(s) and location(s) of newspaper(s))

TO GIVE NOTICE TO (Name and last known address)

1. _____
2. _____

DATED AT (Town)	ON (Date)	BY ORDER OF THE COURT (Name of Judge)	SIGNED (Clerk)
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NOTICE TO PERSON(S) WHOSE PARENTAL RIGHTS ARE SOUGHT TO BE TERMINATED

1. **FAILURE TO APPEAR:** If you fail to appear, the court may take action against you including entering orders affecting your parental rights.
2. **RIGHT TO COUNSEL:** You have a right to be represented by an attorney and, if you wish an attorney but are unable to pay for one, upon proof of your inability to pay, the court will provide one for you. Any such request should be made immediately at the court office where your hearing is to be held.
3. **EFFECTS OF A TERMINATION DECREE:** The effects of a termination decree shall be the complete severance of the legal relationship with all its rights and responsibilities between the child/youth and the person(s) whose parental rights are sought to be terminated so that the child/youth is free for adoption except it shall not affect the right of inheritance of the child/youth or the religious affiliation of the child/youth. The parent will have no legal right or responsibility to care for the child/youth or make any decisions on behalf of the child/youth, to obtain the child's/youth's birth certificate or any state or federal benefit. The parent will have no legal responsibility to support or to pay for the child's/youth's expenses after the effective date of termination.
The child/youth will be legally free for adoption following the termination and the parent will have no right to notice of the adoption proceedings nor any right to participate in the proceedings.

NAME OF CLERK	TELEPHONE NO.
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The Judicial Branch of the State of Connecticut complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you need a reasonable accommodation in accordance with the ADA, contact the court clerk at the number listed above.

RETURN OF SERVICE - TO BE COMPLETED BY ANY PROPER OFFICER

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

COUNTY OF SS.	NAME OF PERSON SERVED.	DATE OF SERVICE
Then and there, by virtue of the original petition, and by order and summons of the court, I left with and in the hands of the above-named respondent a true and attested copy of the original petition, order and summons. The within and foregoing is the original order and summons with my doings thereon endorsed.		FEEES
		COPY
		ENDORSEMENT
		SERVICE
		TRAVEL
ATTEST (<i>Signature and title of proper officer</i>)		TOTAL

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

COUNTY OF SS.	NAME OF PERSON SERVED.	DATE OF SERVICE
Then and there, by virtue of the original petition, and by order and summons of the court, I left with and in the hands of the above-named respondent a true and attested copy of the original petition, order and summons. The within and foregoing is the original order and summons with my doings thereon endorsed.		FEEES
		COPY
		ENDORSEMENT
		SERVICE
		TRAVEL
ATTEST (<i>Signature and title of proper officer</i>)		TOTAL

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

COUNTY OF SS.	NAME OF PERSON SERVED.	DATE OF SERVICE
Then and there, by virtue of the original petition, and by order and summons of the court, I left with and in the hands of the above-named respondent a true and attested copy of the original petition, order and summons. The within and foregoing is the original order and summons with my doings thereon endorsed.		FEEES
		COPY
		ENDORSEMENT
		SERVICE
		TRAVEL
ATTEST (<i>Signature and title of proper officer</i>)		TOTAL

FOR CERTIFIED MAIL

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

COUNTY OF SS.	UNITED STATES POST OFFICE AT (<i>Town</i>)	DATE OF SERVICE
CERTIFIED LETTER ADDRESSED TO (<i>Name and address</i>)		FEEES
Then and there, by virtue hereof, I made service of the within petition, order and summons by depositing a true and attested copy at the above post office, postage prepaid and letter certified, addressed to the person named above, restricted delivery, return receipt demanded. The within and foregoing is the original order and summons with my doings thereon endorsed.		COPY
		ENDORSEMENT
		SERVICE
		TRAVEL
ATTEST (<i>Signature and title of proper officer</i>)		TOTAL

PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

C.G.S. 17a-110 (b) 17a-112, 45a-715, 45a-717, 46b-129(6)(7); Pr. Bk. Sec's. 26-1, 32-1, 32-2; P.A. 00-137

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
SUPERIOR COURT
JUVENILE MATTERS



TO: The Superior Court For Juvenile Matters:

ADDRESS OF COURT	DOCKET NO.
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JURISDICTION BASED ON

- Child/youth in the custody of the Commissioner of the Department of Children and Families.
 Neglect Petition (Coterminous Petitions).

IN THE INTEREST OF: <small>(a person under the age of eighteen years)</small>	NAME OF MINOR CHILD/YOUTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	DATE OF BIRTH
	PRESENT ADDRESS <i>(Tribe and reservation, if child is American Indian)</i>		
PETITIONER	NAME OF PETITIONER		ADDRESS OF PETITIONER
	RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD/YOUTH <i>(if any)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> GUARDIAN <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <i>(Specify)</i>		
PARENTS/ RESPONDENTS <small>(Include putative father, if applicable)</small>	(1) NAME	TRIBE AND RESERVATION IF AMERICAN INDIAN	DATE OF BIRTH
	ADDRESS		
	(2) NAME	TRIBE AND RESERVATION IF AMERICAN INDIAN	DATE OF BIRTH
	ADDRESS		
	(3) NAME	TRIBE AND RESERVATION IF AMERICAN INDIAN	DATE OF BIRTH
	ADDRESS		
IF PARENT(S) IS/ARE MINOR(S), GIVE NAME(S) AND ADDRESS(ES) OF PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S) OF THE PERSON OF THE MINOR PARENTS			
GUARDIANSHIP/ CUSTODY	NAME AND ADDRESS OF CURRENT GUARDIAN OF THE PERSON OF THE CHILD/YOUTH <input type="checkbox"/> Comm. of DCF <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <i>(Specify)</i> :		
	NAME OF PERSONS OR AGENCIES WHICH HAVE AGREED TO ACCEPT CUSTODY OR GUARDIANSHIP OF CHILD/YOUTH UPON DISPOSITION		
COURT APPOINTED GUARDIAN(S) AD LITEM	NAME(S) AND ADDRESS(ES) OF GUARDIAN(S) AD LITEM APPOINTED IN PRIOR PROCEEDINGS		
PLACEMENT AGENCY	<input type="checkbox"/> Comm. of DCF <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <i>(Specify)</i> :		

The petitioner represents:

Parental rights of the below named parent be terminated in the best interests of said child/youth, for the following reasons under Connecticut General Statute Sec. 17a-112:

- I. The mother father of said child/youth consent(s) to the termination of any parental rights with respect to said child/youth; *(No further allegation against a consenting parent is required. Attach completed form JD-JM-60 for any consenting parent.)* **OR**
- II. DCF has made reasonable efforts to locate the mother father (if applicable).
- DCF has made reasonable efforts to reunify said child/youth with the mother father.
- Reasonable efforts are not required for mother father as the court determined at a hearing pursuant to Sec's. 17a-110(b) or 46b-129(7), or Public Act 98-241, that such efforts are not appropriate.
- Mother Father is/are unable or unwilling to benefit from reunification efforts.

III. The following ground(s) for termination of parental rights exists:

- A. The child/youth has been abandoned by the mother father in the sense that the parent(s) failed to maintain a reasonable degree of interest, concern, or responsibility as to the welfare of the child/youth.
- B1. The child/youth has been found in a prior proceeding to have been neglected or uncared for AND the mother father has/have failed to achieve such degree of personal rehabilitation as would encourage the belief that within a reasonable time, considering the age and needs of the child/youth, he/she/they could assume a responsible position in the life of the child/youth, or
- B2. The child/youth is neglected or uncared for and has been in the custody of the Commissioner for at least fifteen months and such parent has been provided specific steps to take to facilitate the return of the child/youth AND the mother father has/have failed to achieve such degree of personal rehabilitation as would encourage the belief that within a reasonable time, considering the age and needs of the child/youth, he/she/they could assume a responsible position in the life of the child/youth.
- C. The child/youth has been denied, by reason of an act or acts of commission or omission, including but not limited to, sexual molestation or exploitation, severe physical abuse or a pattern of abuse, by the mother father the care, guidance or control necessary for his/her physical, educational, moral or emotional well being.
- D. There is no ongoing parent-child/youth relationship with respect to the mother father that ordinarily develops as a result of a parent having met on a continuing, day to day basis the physical, emotional, moral, or educational needs of the child/youth and to allow further time for the establishment or re-establishment of the parent-child/youth relationship would be detrimental to the best interests of the child/youth.
- E. The mother father of the child, under the age of seven years who is neglected or uncared for, has/have failed, is/are unable or is/are unwilling to achieve such degree of personal rehabilitation as would encourage the belief that within a reasonable period of time, considering the age and needs of the child, such parent(s) could assume a responsible position in the life of the child and such parent's/parents' parental rights of another child were previously terminated pursuant to a petition filed by the Commissioner of the Department of Children and Families.
- F. The mother father has killed through deliberate, non-accidental act another child/youth of the parent or has requested, commanded, importuned, attempted, conspired, or solicited such killing or has committed an assault, through deliberate non-accidental act that resulted in serious bodily injury of another child/youth of the parent.
- G. The mother father was convicted as an adult or a delinquent by a court of competent jurisdiction of a sexual assault resulting in the conception of the child/youth, except a conviction for a violation of section 53a-71 OR 53a-73a.

IV. THE SUMMARY OF FACTS, THE PARTICULAR FACTS UPON WHICH TERMINATION IS SOUGHT, IS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

WHEREFORE, THE PETITIONER REQUESTS THAT THE COURT TERMINATE THE PARENTAL RIGHTS OF:

NAME(S) OF PARENT(S) WHOSE RIGHTS ARE SOUGHT TO BE TERMINATED

AND APPOINT A: STATUTORY PARENT for said child/youth. GUARDIAN of the person of said child/youth.

SIGNED BY (<i>Petitioner</i>)	Subscribed and sworn to before me on:	DATE	SIGNED (<i>Judge, Notary, Comm. Sup. Ct.</i>)
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