

**IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF ██████████ COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA**

In the Interest of

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A Minor Child

CONSENT ORDER OF DISPOSITION

Mother:	██████████ ██████████ ██████████	Putative Father :	██████████ ██████████ ██████████
Mother's Attorney:	Sara Adams 7730 Hampton Place Loganville, Georgia 30052	Father's Attorney:	None
DFCS:	██████████ ██████████ ██████████ ██████████	SAAG:	██████████ ██████████ ██████████
CPR Coordinator:	██████████ ██████████ ██████████	CASA:	██████████ ██████████ ██████████ ██████████
GAL:	██████████ ██████████ ██████████ ██████████	Child's Attorney	██████████ ██████████ ██████████

The above-styled matter came before the Court on ██████████, for a Disposition hearing. The mother of the child, ██████████ was present for the hearing and was represented by her attorney, Sara Adams. The putative father of the child ██████████ was not present for the hearing. ██████████ was present on behalf of the child, however the child was not present. Guardian ad Litem ██████████ is present to represent the best interest of the child. Case Manager, ██████████ was present on behalf of the Department. Special Assistant Attorney General ██████████ was present to represent the Department.

Based upon an agreement of the parties and the evidence presented, the Court makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law by clear and convincing evidence:

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FINDINGS OF FACT

1.

The child's name, age, and gender are as set forth above. The child is currently residing [REDACTED] child is presently in the temporary legal custody of the [REDACTED] County Department of Family and Children Services having been placed in the Department's custody on [REDACTED] 15. Jurisdiction and venue are proper in this Court.

2.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §15-11-109, the child's caregiver, foster parent, preadoptive parent or relative caring for the child were notified of the date, time, and place of the Disposition Hearing at least 72 hours prior to the hearing, and they chose to not be present for the hearing.

3.

Pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. §15-11-213, the Court has considered, without being limited to, the following factors in determining why the best interests and safety of the child are served by the disposition made and case plan ordered herein:

- (A) The interaction and interrelationship of such child with her parent, siblings, and any such other person who may significantly affect the child's best interests;
- (B) Such child's adjustment to her home, school, and community;
- (C) The mental and physical health of all individuals involved;
- (D) The wishes of such child as to her placement;
- (E) The wishes of such child's parent, guardian, or legal custodian as to such child's custody;
- (F) Whether there exists a relative of such child or other individual who, after study by DFCS, is found to be qualified to receive and care for such child; and
- (G) The ability of a parent, guardian, or legal custodian of the child to care for the child in the home so no harm will result to such child.

4.

Having considered these factors, the Court finds as follows:

- a) the child was found to be dependent based on the mother's failure to protect the child from the domestic violence between the mother and her husband and the mother's [REDACTED]
- b) the child continues to be dependent and it remains contrary to the welfare and best interest of the child to return to her mother's care and custody at this time;
- c) the Department has prepared a Case Plan which includes an permanency plan of reunification. At this time the Department does not intend to pursue termination of parental rights;
- d) upon review of the Case Plan, the Court finds this plan to be appropriate upon inclusion of all amendments agreed to by the parties and ordered by the Court;
- e) visitation shall remain supervised based on domestic violence that was occurring between the mother and her husband. The mother shall be entitled to at least one hour visit per week.

5.

The Court finds that reasonable efforts have been made since the adjudication hearing to preserve and reunite the child with her mother, to wit: the Department has prepared a Case Plan for reunification with the mother; the Department has set up visitation between the mother and the child; the Department has found an appropriate relative placement for the child.

The Court finds that the Case Plan prepared by the Department with a report date of [REDACTED] 2015, is a suitable plan for reunification, with the following changes: (i) the address for the mother shall be changed to [REDACTED] (ii) on page 4 under "Initial reason child placed in foster care," the "Y" indicating Parent's Alcohol Abuse will be changed to "N"; (iii) on page 4 under "current reasons child cannot be adequately and safely protected at home" the language shall be changed to reflect the findings contained in the adjudication order, namely domestic violence between the mother and her husband in the presence of the child and the mother's pending criminal charges due to her alleged failure to insure the child attended school regularly; (iv) on page 4 under "Future harm that may occur to child if they remain in home," the phrases "Neglect due to substance abuse" and "Instability" shall be removed; (v) on page 5 step 2 shall be changed to state [REDACTED] will adhere to any and all recommendations from a domestic violence assessment; (vi) on page 5 step 4 shall be changed to state that the mother and child shall have no contact with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

the mother shall abide by the terms of any temporary protective order in place regarding [REDACTED] (vii) on page 6, goals 10 and 11 shall be changed to secondary goals; (viii) on page 6, goal 12 shall be removed as it is cumulative of goal 2; (ix) on pages 6 and 7, the entire section under "Substance Abuse by Parent" and the accompanying four goals shall be removed; and (x) on page 7, step 3 under "Educational Neglect" shall be removed. The mother shall also participate in a psychological evaluation and follow all recommendations made following the evaluation. The Department is ordered to implement said plan as amended and the mother is ordered to complete all of the goals set forth in the plan. All legally required services are being provided to the mother.

Furthermore, the Court received the diligent search report documenting the efforts made to locate a suitable family member with whom the child could be placed. (A true and correct copy of the Diligent Search Report is attached hereto as "P-2".) The Department's placement of the child in the home of the maternal aunt, is an appropriate placement.

6.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED ADJUDGED and DECREED that temporary legal custody of the above-named child, [REDACTED], is awarded to the Department of Human Resources acting by and through the [REDACTED] County Department of Family and Children Services. It is further ordered that the Department is hereby authorized to obtain physical examinations, ordinary medical care, and such additional medical treatment and care which, in the opinion of a licensed physician, is necessary for the care and well-being of the child. This treatment may include, and will not be limited to, testing for any type of HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus), pre-AIDS, or testing for any AIDS precursors. The Department, as the temporary legal custodian of the above-named child, is authorized by O.C.G.A. § 15-11-30 and has the right to physical custody of the child, the right to determine the nature of the care and treatment of the child, including ordinary medical care, and the right and duty to provide for the care, protection, training, and education and the physical, mental, and moral welfare of the child. The mother shall provide to the Department any and all information and documents which the mother may have concerning the health and past medical history of the above-named child. The mother shall assist and cooperate with the Department in making insurance claims so that the

child may have the benefits of any and all insurance benefits which the mother has through her employment or otherwise.

7.

The return of physical custody of the child to the parent, guardian or legal custodian shall require the written approval of the Court.

8.

Pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. §15-11-202(e)(3)(A), the Court finds that the Department has made reasonable efforts to eliminate the need for removal of the child from her home and to reunify the child with her mother at the earliest possible time. Those efforts have been:

- (a) The Department has prepared a Case Plan for reunification and is working with the mother to assist her in meeting her Case Plan goals; and
- (b) The Department has identified an appropriate relative placement for the child.

9.

The Court finds that based on the current facts, it is contrary to the welfare of the child to return to the care and custody of her mother at this time as the circumstances which led to the child's removal from her home have not been alleviated and the child continues to be in need of the protection of the Court.

10.

The Department shall continue reasonable efforts to eliminate the need for placement of the child outside the home.

11.

Visitation between the mother and the child shall be supervised. The mother shall be entitled to at least one hour visit per week.

12.



IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that while said child is in the custody of [REDACTED] County Department of Family and Children Services the mother of said child shall participate in the Judicial Citizen Panel Review program or Judicial Review as directed and the [REDACTED] County Department of Family and Children Services are HEREBY directed to furnish the Court or the Judicial Citizen Review Panels all information in its possession concerning the family, including but not limited to psychological evaluations performed on the child, the mother or any other extended family member if available.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this matter shall come before the Court on [REDACTED] [REDACTED] al Judicial Review.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the mother shall notify the Clerk of this Court of any change in address, telephone number, or email address within 2 business days of the change.

SO ORDERED, this _____ day of [REDACTED]

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