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Resources for Custody, Parenting Time, ADR Professional

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Resources Available to Friend of the Court Custody, Parenting Time, and Alternative Dispute Resolution Staff

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The Purpose of Today's Presentation

The purpose of today's presentation is to provide FOC staff who conduct custody, parenting time, and alternative dispute resolution services with resources to complete their tasks.

Resources That Will Be Discussed

- Custody, Parenting Time, ADR statutes, court rules, and policies.
- Case Law
- Court Forms.
- Training Links.
- Access and Visitation Grant.
- Organizations and Groups.
- Supervised Parenting Time Providers.

Custody and Parenting Time, Investigation Statutes

- The Court ordering the Friend of the Court to conduct a custody and parenting time investigation: [MCL 552.505\(1\)\(g\)](#)
- The Child Custody Factors: [MCL 722.23](#)
- Parenting Time Factors: [MCL 722.27a](#)
- Third Party Custody: [MCL 722.26c](#)
- Grand Parenting Time: [MCL 722.27b](#)
- Change of Legal Residence: [MCL 722.31](#)
- Joint Custody: [MCL 722.26a](#)

Custody and Parenting Time Enforcement Statutes

- Written Custody and Parenting Time Complaint: [MCL 552.511b](#)
- Parenting Time Enforcement Procedures: [MCL 552.641](#)
- Joint Meetings: [MCL 552.642a](#)
- Civil Contempt for Denying Parenting Time: [MCL 552. 644](#)
- Custody and Parenting Time Enforcement Hearing: [MCL 552. 645](#)
- Custodial Parent Committed to Jail or Alternative to Jail: [MCL 552. 646](#)

Modification of Custody and Parenting Time Orders

Modification of Custody or Parenting Time Order by FOC:
[MCL 552.517d](#)

Alternative Dispute Resolution Statutes

- FOC Alternative Dispute Resolution: [MCL 552.513](#)
- FOC Restricted Activities When Providing Mediation: [MCL 552.515](#)

Custody and Parenting Time Court Rules

- Timely Submission of Custody and Parenting Time Reports: [MCR 3.210\(C\)\(1\)](#)
- Change of Domicile: [MCR 3.211\(C\)\(1\)](#)
- Change of Legal Residence [MCR 3.211\(C\)\(2\)](#)

FOC ADR Court Rule

- FOC Alternative Dispute Resolution Court Rule:
[MCR 3.224](#)

SCAO Custody, Parenting Time, and ADR Policies

- April 10, 2020 SCAO Memorandum: [Parenting Time and Child Support Issues under Executive Order 2020-35](#)
- December 1, 2017 SCAO Memorandum: [Parenting Coordinators](#)
- January 24, 2013 SCAO Memorandum: [Parenting Time Order Requirements on International Child Abduction](#)

SCAO Custody, Parenting Time, and ADR Policies Continued

- December 20, 2012 SCAO Memorandum: [Friend of the Court Staff Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect and Information Sharing by Child Protective Services and Friends of the Court](#)
- October 23, 2019: [SCAO Administrative Memorandum 2019-05 Implementing Friend of the Court Alternative Dispute Resolution Plans](#)

SCAO Custody, Parenting Time, and ADR Policies Continued

- October 7, 2010: [SCAO Administrative Memorandum 2010-05 Standards for Charging Friend of the Court Investigation Expenses](#)
- November 27, 2002: [SCAO Administrative Memorandum 2002-11 Guidelines for Enforcement of Custody and Parenting Time Violations](#)

Parental Alienation Case Law

- [*Martin v Martin*](#), published opinion of the Court of Appeals, released January 28, 2020 (Docket No. 349261).
- [*O'Brien v D'Annunzio*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released February 27, 2020 (Docket No. 347830).
- [*Brown v Pentoney*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released May 7, 2020 (Docket No. 349532).
- [*Osborne v Osborne*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released August 13, 2020 (Docket No. 352257).

Domestic Violence Case Law

- [*Brown v Brown*](#), published opinion of the Court of Appeals, released April 9, 2020 (Docket No. 350576).

Custody and Parenting Time Determination and Modification Case Law

- [*Bofysil v Bofysil*](#), published opinion of the Court of Appeals, released April 23, 2020 (Docket No. 351004).
- [*Crews v Crews*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released October 10, 2019 (Docket No. 346440).
- [*Reno v Boggers*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released October 24, 2019 (Docket No. 347805).
- [*Ploski v Wiss*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released November 19, 2019 (Docket No. 348792).
- [*White v Trezil*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released May 14, 2020 (Docket No. 349855).
- [*Fatteh v Fatteh*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released July 30, 2020 (Docket No. 351182).

Legal Custody Case Law

- [*Matheson v Schmitt*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released November 21, 2019 (Docket No. 347022).
- [*Stanley v Thompson*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released March 17, 2020 (Docket No. 349779).

Parenting Time That Modified Established Custodial Environment Case Law

- [*Shea v Shea*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released January 2, 2020 (Docket No. 349556).
- [*Adams v Youker*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released April 30, 2020 (Docket No. 350999).

Supervised Parenting Time Case Law

[*Amerson, Jr., v Smiley*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released April 16, 2020 (Docket No. 350930).

Child Interview/Child Preference Case Law

- [*Brown v Pentoney*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released May 7, 2020 (Docket No. 349532).
- [*Cole v Cole*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released May 14, 2020 (Docket No. 351382).
- [*Hansbue v Hansbue*](#), unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals, released August 27, 2020 (Docket No. 350658).

Domestic Violence Resources

- Battered Women's Justice Project [SAFeR \(bwjp.org\)](http://SAFeR.org)
- Practice guides for family court decision-making in domestic abuse related child custody matters [compiled-practice-guides-may-2018.pdf \(bwjp.org\)](#)
- Video Tutorial to the Practice Guide [A SAFeR Approach to Decision-Making on Vimeo](#)

Domestic Violence Resources Webinars

Webinars

- [Mapping Gender: Shedding Empirical Light on Family Courts' Treatment of Cases Involving Abuse and Alienation \(bwjp.org\)](#)
- [Applying the Safe and Together Model to Custody and Visitation \(bwjp.org\)](#)

Domestic Violence Resources Webinars Continued

Webinars

- [A Domestic Violence-Informed Approach to Child Custody Decision-Making \(bwjp.org\)](#)
- [What Can We Learn From Turned-Around Cases \(bwjp.org\)](#)

Domestic Violence Resources Continued

- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Guidelines for Examining Intimate Partner Violence:
A Supplement to the AFCC Model Standards of
Practice for Child Custody Evaluation [Microsoft
Word - Guidelines for Examining Intimate Partner
Violence.docx \(afccnet.org\)](#)
- [Custody Mediation and Domestic Violence: A
Resource Guide for Mediators \(rcdvcpc.org\)](#)

Custody and Parenting Time Modification Forms

- Motion Regarding Parenting Time [FOC 65](#).
- Response to Motion Regarding Parenting Time [FOC 66](#)
- Order Regarding Parenting Time [FOC 67](#)
- Objection to Referee's Recommended Order: [FOC 68](#)
- Motion Regarding Custody: [FOC 87](#)
- Response to Motion Regarding Custody: [FOC 88](#)
- Order Regarding Custody and Parenting Time ** MUST
BE USED WITH FOC 10 or FOC 10a: FOC: [FOC 89](#)

Custody and Parenting Time Enforcement Forms

- 21-Day Notice to Alleged Violator of Custody or Parenting Time Provisions: [FOC 16](#)
- Motion and Order to Show Cause for Contempt (Custody/Parenting Time): [FOC 19](#)
- Referee Findings and Recommendation for Order after Hearing on Alleged Custody/Parenting Time Violation: [FOC 57](#)
- Order after Hearing on Alleged Custody/Parenting Time Violation [FOC 58](#).

FOC ADR Forms

- FOC Domestic Violence Screening: [FOC 124](#)
- FOC Summary Report: [FOC 125](#)
- Mediation Status Report: [MC 280](#)

Investigation Referrals

- Referral Order: [FOC 12](#)

Michigan Judicial Institute Trainings

- [2021 Michigan Child Support Formula Update: A Formula for Better Customer Outcomes](#)
- [ASSISTING PARENTS IN REACHING CUSTODY AND PARENTING TIME AGREEMENTS](#)
- [FACILITATIVE AND INFORMATION-GATHERING CONFERENCES](#)
- [FRIEND OF THE COURT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TRAINING](#)

Office of Dispute Resolution Links

- Mediation trainings:
<https://courts.michigan.gov/Administration/SCAO/OfficesPrograms/ODR/Pages/default.aspx>
- [Using Zoom to Conduct Online Mediation: Considerations and Resources for Community Dispute Resolution Program Centers](#)

Michigan Family Support Council

- Michigan Family Support Council Trainings:
<https://www.mifsc.org/>

Access and Visitation Grants

- **ELIGIBLE SERVICES:** The SCAO has determined that service contracts for FY 2021 are available for FOC programs that provide the following services:
 - Parent exchanges (neutral drop-off and pick-up)
 - Supervised parenting time (including monitored and therapeutic)
- **ELIGIBLE SERVICE DEFINITIONS**
 - **Parent Exchanges** (neutral drop-off/pick-up). Under this service, a neutral location is provided for the safe transfer of children between the noncustodial parent and the custodial parent (or guardian).

Access and Visitation Grant Continued

A neutral third party (someone other than the parents or parties involved) is present during the transfer of the children. In the event threatening or violent behavior is observed, the agency's safeguard plan will be followed. **Services provided to grandparents under MCL 722.27b are not eligible for reimbursement under this contract.**

- **Supervised Parenting Time.** This service is for noncustodial parents – court-ordered or voluntary – who would otherwise be denied access to their children. Visitation services might be offered through visitation centers, video conferencing or other public settings, such as park facilities, or offices. Whatever the location, the focus should be on trained staff supervising the visitations in a safe setting appropriate to the particular issues experienced by the family. The direct service provider is present before, during, and after the supervised parenting time to ensure the safety of the children and the safe exchange of the children to the custodial parent (or guardian). In the event threatening or violent behavior is observed, the agency's safeguard plan will be followed. **Services to grandparents under MCL 722.27b and services to parents involved in the child welfare system (Title IV-E and Title IV-B) are not eligible for reimbursement under this contract.**

Organizations and Groups

- Michigan Association of Court Mediators:
<https://www.michiganassociationofcourtmediators.com/>
- SCAO Custody Parenting Time, and Alternative Dispute Resolution Google Group: michigan-custody-parenting-time-adr@googlegroups.com

SCAO Resources

- [Custody and Parenting Time Investigation Manual.](#)
- [Friend of the Court Domestic Violence Resource Guide.](#)
- [Custody Time Guidelines.](#)

Supervised Parenting Time Providers

- Vicki Rupert

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- Stephanie Ash: sash@miottawa.org
- Vicki Rupert: rupertv@oakgov.com

**SUPERVISED PARENTING TIME
RESOURCES (MICHIGAN)**

BERRIEN COUNTY

The Avenue Family Network (Formerly Child & Family Services)

Location: 2450 M-139 A, Benton Harbor, MI 49022

Phone: 269-925-1725 ext 128 (Selena Jonjevic)

Website: <https://www.theavenue.ngo/>

BRANCH COUNTY

Bruce Sweet, M.A., L.M.S.W

Psychological Assessment & Counseling Specialists

Location: 300 Orleans Blvd. Coldwater, MI 49036

Phone: 517-797-7227 (office) 517-227-3210 (cell)

CALHOUN COUNTY

Family and Children Services

Location(s): Kalamazoo and Battle Creek

Phone: 269-344-0285 (Kalamazoo) and 269-965-3247 (Battle Creek)

Website: www.fcsource.org

INGHAM COUNTY

Child and Family Charities Supervised Parenting Time Program

Phone: 517-882-4000, ext. 104, ask for the Program Coordinator

Location: 4287 Five Oaks Drive; Lansing, MI 48911

Cognitive Consultants Supervised Parenting Time Program

Phone: 517-322-3050

Location: 6639 Centurion Drive, Suite 130; Lansing, MI 48917 (Main Office)
2450 Delhi Commerce Dr., Ste 9B; Holt, MI 48842 (Holt Office)

MSU Chance At Childhood Supervised Parenting Time Program

Phone: 517- 432-6880

Location: 1460 Middlevale Road; East Lansing, MI 48823 (Building is known as Spartan Village Community Center)

Additional info: Must be pre-approved by the Program Coordinator prior to being Court Ordered. Does not accept private pay clients

JACKSON COUNTY

Jackson County Family Visitation Center

Contact: Chelsea Baxter

Location: 1697 Lansing Ave, Jackson, MI 49202

Phone: 517-768-6536

Services/Fees: Primarily Domestic Violence services, free supervised parenting time for DV. No reports provided, incidents or confirm attendance only

Website: <https://www.co.jackson.mi.us/543/Supervised-Parenting-Time-Exchange>

Observed Parenting Time (OPT)

Location: In family home and in community/Office Space available if needed

Contact: Dr. Shannon Lowder (A Healing Place)

Email: shannonlowder1@msn.com

Phone: 517-998-0002

Services/Fees: Home/Community \$40/hr; Office \$50/hr; Reports by default after 12 weeks or as ordered

KENT COUNTY

JOURNIES, Inc.

Location: 528 Bridge St. NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Phone: 616-774-7002

Website: <http://journiesinc.com/>

Fees: \$50/hr (Access and visitation grants available)

YWCA Safe Connections

Location: 25 Sheldon Blvd. SE; Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Phone: 616-459-4681

24 Hour Help Line: 616-454-9922

Services: Supervised Parenting Time and Safe Exchanges

LIVINGSTON COUNTY

Family Connection Center (Livingston County)

Location: 121 Barnard Street, Suite 8; Howell, MI

Phone: 517-376-6459

Email: Familyconnectioncenter@gmail.com

Website: <https://livfc.org/supervised-visitation-and-exchange>

MACOMB COUNTY

Phoenix House for Families

Location: 111 Cass Ave; Mt. Clemens, MI 48043
Phone: 586-469-0999
Website: <http://phoenixhouseforfamilies.com/>

MIDLAND COUNTY

Safe Place

Location: 5647 State St. Suite A; Saginaw, MI 48603
Phone: 989-399-0007 X114
Contact: Amanda Qualls/Samantha Carter
Services: Supervised parenting time in agency, accepts out of county cases. Free for DV cases (determined at orientation); \$50/hour for others. Requires specific referral form (contact agency for copy).
Website: www.undergroundrailroadinc.org

OAKLAND COUNTY

Impact Consulting Services (Agency)

Location of Services: 3513 Elizabeth Lake Road, Room 209, Waterford, MI 48328
Phone: 248-738-1100
Fax: 248-738-2768
Fee: \$40 per hour plus \$30 orientation fee (Access & Visitation grant funding available to cover some or all of the cost based on sliding-fee scale).
Services: Supervised parenting time. Therapeutic supervision available for \$85 per hour.
Note: Services available M-F until 9 pm and Saturdays until 5 pm.

Need 2 Talk, LLC

Providers: Dr. Deborah Spence, Janail Chatman Silver, Deadra Bell Smith, Roselyn Traylor, Leslie Pamela Hurst, Dorothea Foster

Location of Services: 16250 Northland Drive, Ste. 204, Southfield, MI 48075
Phone: 313-702-2300
Fax: 248-996-9165 (temp fax 313-740-7376 as of 1/27/21)
Fee: \$125/hr (insurance coverage may available)

Arlene Platt, BSW

Location of Services: In homes of parties. Also anywhere the parties request (swim classes, restaurants, etc.)
Phone: 248-752-0085
Fee: \$55/hr up to \$75 depending on number of children. Therapeutic parenting time also.

Judy Downing

Services: At locations to be agreed upon (libraries, bowling alley, etc.)

Phone:248-417-2918
Fax:248-594-4998
Supervised: \$35/hr

Dr. Brenda O'Brien

Location of service: At locations agreed upon by the parties
Phone: 248-417-3596
Rate: \$35-\$50/hr depending on location

Cathy Greenberg

Address: 2360 Orchard Lake Road, Ste. 108, Sylvan Lake, MI 48320
Location: In office in Sylvan Lake or at the home of a party
Phone: 248-681-9600
Fax: 248-681-9607
Rate: \$35/hour

Linda Milam

Location: to be agreed upon by parties
Phone: 248-866-1196
Fax: 248-393-0970
Rate: \$25-\$35/hour based on ability to pay

Terri Glick

Location: Mutually agreed location in Oakland County
Phone: 562-896-0287
Rate: \$25/hr

Cathie Coon

Location for service: to be agreed upon by parties
Phone: 810-577-2444
Rate: \$35/hour

Antonia Nagy

Phone: 248-921-1354
Location for service: At an agreed upon public place in Oakland County, western Wayne County, Ann Arbor, Brighton or Howell.
Rate: \$25-35/hr

Nancy Barich

Phone: 248-549-3077
Cell: 248-892-4886
Location for service: Oakland County at the home of the party to be supervised
Rate: \$35/hr

OTTAWA COUNTY

Catholic Charities of Western Michigan

Location:

Phone: 616-456-1443

Website: <https://ccwestmi.org/>

YWCA Safe Connections

Location: 25 Sheldon Blvd. SE; Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Phone: 616-459-4681

24 Hour Help Line: 616-454-9922

Services: Supervised Parenting Time and Safe Exchanges

SAGINAW COUNTY

Safe Place

Location: 5647 State St. Suite A; Saginaw, MI 48603

Phone: 989-399-0007 X114

Services: Provide supervised visits (usually 1h/week) as well as supervised exchanges in situations with a history of (or current) domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault, active no contact or PPO. Referrals through CPS, Court order and Bay County FOC.

Website: www.undergroundrailroadinc.org

WASHTENAW COUNTY

Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County – Family Time

Contact: Talia Anderson

Location: 4925 Packard St.; Ann Arbor, MI 48108

Phone: 734-926-0158; fax 734-971-2730

Services/Fees: Free services (when there is history of domestic violence); Sliding scale otherwise (Intake \$50-\$125; Session fee \$25-\$105) Supervised Parenting Time and/or exchanges. Does not offer therapeutic

Website: www.csswashtenaw.org

WAYNE COUNTY

Growthworks

Location: 28537 Warren Rd., Garden City, MI 48135

Phone: 734-657-4597

Services: Supervised Parenting Time; \$70 per parent Intake and \$70/session. Monitored Exchanges (not during Covid)
Website: <https://gwcares.org/>

WEXFORD/MISSAUKEE/OSCEOLA/MECOSTA COUNTIES

Family Supportive Services of Northern Michigan (Wexford/Missaukee/Osceola/Mecosta Counties)

Location: 114 N Mitchell Rd., Cadillac, MI 49601

Phone: 231-846-4783

Services: Counseling Service, Supervised parenting time and exchanges, Peaceful Transition (FOC), Nurturing parenting program, substance abuse assessments, may need contract for referrals.

Website: <https://www.fssnm.org/>

Safe Haven (Part of Child and Family Services of Northern MI)

Location: 3785 Veterans Dr.; Traverse City, MI 49684

Phone: 231-946-8975 ext. 1046

Services: Supervised visitation and safe exchange

Website: <https://www.cfsnwm.org/safe-haven>

MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES

Echelon Services (National)

Location: In homes and community

Phone: 844-639-8471 (Phone) 1-877-203-9588 (fax)

Services: Supervised visitation and monitored exchanges. Intake fees \$50/parent; Supervised visits \$60/h (2 h min) transportation available for additional fees. Agency contracts with providers in communities across the country

Website: www.echelonservices.org

Metro Family Services

Location: No physical location (Westland based) provide services in family homes or in community, currently Wayne/Oakland/Macomb counties

Contact: Pete Bommarito

Phone: 313-999-5431

Email: metrofamilyservices2014@gmail.com

Services/Fees: \$85/hr. (lower for exchange only, case by case). Reports provided to attorneys and judge. Some charge for travel depending on distance, no transportation provided.

Intake/screening is completed by phone.

Website:

Mobile Court Services (multiple locations – Macomb, St. Clair, Wayne, Oakland, Genessee, Lapeer)

Location: In homes and community, some office space may be available

Phone: 1-844-626-8781; fax 844-362-4111

Services: Supervised visitation and monitored exchanges. Can provide therapeutic parenting time (contract social workers). Can provide virtual or in person supervision, as well as transportation for additional fees. Services on sliding scale determined at intake (intake approx. \$50-60/hr)

Website: www.mobilecourtservices.com

Supervised Visitation Network

Location: Nationwide

Services: Provides directory of independent service providers (in my experience, not always up-to-date)

Website: <https://www.svnworldwide.org/providers>

Supervised Visitation Directory

Location: Nationwide

Services: Another directory of independent service providers

Website: <http://svdirectory.com/>