

# **Petition for Modification of a Custody Order**

**Form 4**

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*The following numbers on these instructions correspond with the numbers in the boxes beginning on page 1 on the Petition Form.*

- Box 1: Print the county in which you are filing your petition. See "*Where do I File?*" in the Introduction for more information about what county you should file in.
- Box 2: Print the plaintiff's name exactly as it appears on all other forms in this action.
- Box 3: Print the case number that has been assigned to your case. This can be found on your custody complaint or custody order.
- Box 4: Print the name of the defendant exactly as it appears on all other forms in this action.
- Box 5: Print your name (if you are the petitioner).
- Box 6: Print your current address.
- Box 7: Print your opposing party's name.
- Box 8: Print your opposing party's current address.
- Box 9: Print your name.
- Box 10: Print the date your custody order was entered.
- Box 11: Check what kind of legal custody was ordered.
- Box 12: Check what kind of physical custody was ordered.
- Box 13: Explain why your custody order should be changed. (If you need more space, write on a separate page. Do not write on the back of this form, or in the margins).
- Box 14: **Attach a completed Criminal Record/Abuse History Verification form (Custody Form 3).**
- Box 15: Print your name.
- Box 16: Print your phone number.
- Box 17: After reviewing your petition to make sure everything you stated is true and correct print the date you are completing your petition.
- Box 18: Sign your name.

**Attach a copy of the order you are asking the court to modify.**

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF 1 COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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Plaintiff

v. 4  
Defendant

:  
:  
: No. 3  
:  
: IN CUSTODY

### PETITION FOR MODIFICATION OF A CUSTODY ORDER

1. Petitioner is 5 6 and resides at  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code) (County)

2. Respondent is 7 8 and resides at  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code) (County)

3. Petitioner 10 12 9 11 respectfully represents that on  
an Order of Court was entered for  shared legal custody  sole legal  
custody and  partial physical custody  primary physical custody  shared physical custody  
 sole physical custody  supervised physical custody. A true and correct copy of the Order is attached.

4. This Order should be modified because: 13  
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5. Petitioner has attached the Criminal Record/Abuse History Verification form required pursuant to Pa.R.C.P. No. 1915.3-2.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner requests that the Court modify the existing Order because it will be in the best interest of the child(ren).

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(Attorney for Petitioner) (Petitioner)

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(Phone Number)

### VERIFICATION

I verify that the statements made in this petition are true and correct. I understand that false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. §4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

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Date

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Petitioner

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

\_\_\_\_\_  
Plaintiff

v.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant

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: No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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: IN CUSTODY

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(Attorney for Petitioner) (Petitioner)

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Phone Number

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Date

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Petitioner