Custody Terms

Legal Custody:

Matters involving the health, education and welfare of the children.

Example of legal custody order:

- 1. Legal Custody of the minor children (list children's names), is awarded to the parties jointly. In exercising joint legal custody, the parents shall cooperate and will make all reasonable efforts in attempting to agree in making decisions in the following matters:
 - a. Enrollment or termination in a particular school or school program.
 - b. Advancing or holding the child back in school.
 - c. Beginning or ending the regular practice of religion.
 - d. Childcare providers for long term and/or after school child care.
 - e. Selecting non-emergency medical, dental, and/or psychological professional services.
 - f. Authorizing the children's driver's license.
 - g. Authorizing full time employment for the children.
 - h. Authorizing the child's marriage.
 - i. Authorizing the child's enlistment in the armed forces.
 - j. Approving a petition for emancipation.
 - k. Passport application.
 - 1. Supervision and/or itinerary of child's travel.
 - m. Authorizing sex education for the children.
 - n. Arranging or permitting regularly occurring extra-curricular activities of the child.
 - o. Authorizing contraceptives for the child and/or authorizing abortions.
 - p. Authorizing the purchase of an automobile.
 - q. Parents shall notify each other as quickly as reasonably possible in the event of an emergency involving the children.

Physical Custody:

Where the children live.

Timeshare:

Percentage of time with each parent.

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