

FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
COUNTY OF

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In the Matter of a Proceeding for Support  
Under Article 4 of the Family Court Act

Docket No.

Petitioner,

S.S. #

-against-

SUPPORT  
PETITION  
(Individual)

Respondent.

S.S. #

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TO THE FAMILY COURT:

The undersigned Petitioner respectfully alleges that:

1. a. Petitioner resides at [specify]:<sup>1</sup>  
b. Respondent resides at [specify]:<sup>2</sup>
2. Petitioner is authorized to originate this proceeding because [check applicable box(es)]:  
 Petitioner and Respondent were married at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
 Petitioner and Respondent had the below-named child(ren) in common  
 Other [specify Petitioner’s relationship to child(ren)]: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Respondent is chargeable with the support of the following spouse and dependent(s):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Social Security Number</u>
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Spouse:

Child(ren):

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<sup>1</sup> Unless the Court has ordered the address to be confidential on the ground that disclosure would pose an unreasonable health or safety risk. See Family Court Act §154-b; Form 21 (available at [www.nycourts.gov](http://www.nycourts.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> Unless the Court has ordered the address to be confidential on the ground that disclosure would pose an unreasonable health or safety risk. See Family Court Act §154-b; Form 21 (available at [www.nycourts.gov](http://www.nycourts.gov)).

4. [Check applicable box(es); if children have different fathers, include separate paragraphs]:

- The father of the of the above-named child(ren) is [specify]: .
- The father was married to the child(ren)'s mother at the time of the conception or birth.
- An order of filiation was made on [specify date and court and attach true copy]:

An acknowledgment of paternity was signed on [specify date]: by [specify who signed and attach a true copy]:

The father is deceased.

The father of the below-named child(ren) has not been legally established.

A paternity agreement or compromise was approved by the Family Court of [specify county]:

County on , concerning [name parties to agreement or compromise and child(ren)]: . A true copy of the agreement or compromise is attached.

5. [Applicable to cases in which mother is not a party]: The name and address of the mother is [indicate if deceased or if address ordered to be kept confidential pursuant to Family Court Act §154-b(2) or Domestic Relations Law §254]:

6. (Upon information and belief), Respondent, on or about , , and thereafter, has failed to provide fair and reasonable support for Petitioner and the dependent(s) according to Respondent's means and earning capacity.

7. [Delete if inapplicable; check applicable box(es)]: Respondent is unlikely to make payments in accordance with the order of support requested, because of  past lack of financial responsibility  credit references  credit history  other [specify]:

8. [Delete if inapplicable; check applicable box(es)]: Respondent has an  employer  income payor, as defined in Civil Practice Law and Rules 5241(a), whose address is [specify]: , as a source of income.

9. Petitioner: [check applicable box]:

has applied for child support services with the local Department of Social Services.

now applies for child support enforcement services by the filing of this petition.

does not wish to make application for child support services.

is not eligible for child support enforcement services). [Petitioners seeking only spousal support are ineligible.]

10. Respondent  had  did not have a prior order of support that was payable through the Support Collection Unit.

11. No previous application has been made to any judge or court, including a Native American tribunal, or is presently pending before any judge or court, for the relief requested in this petition (except

WHEREFORE, Petitioner requests an order of support directing Respondent to pay fair and reasonable support, that Respondent be required to exercise the option of additional coverage for health insurance in favor of (his) (her) spouse and above-named child(ren), and for such other and further relief

as the law provides.

NOTE: (1) A COURT ORDER OF SUPPORT RESULTING FROM A PROCEEDING COMMENCED BY THIS APPLICATION (PETITION) SHALL BE ADJUSTED BY THE APPLICATION OF A COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT AT THE DIRECTION OF THE SUPPORT COLLECTION UNIT NO EARLIER THAN TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS AFTER SUCH ORDER IS ISSUED, LAST MODIFIED OR LAST ADJUSTED, UPON THE REQUEST OF ANY PARTY TO THE ORDER OR PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (2) BELOW. SUCH COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT SHALL BE ON NOTICE TO BOTH PARTIES WHO, IF THEY OBJECT TO THE COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT, SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE HEARD BY THE COURT AND TO PRESENT EVIDENCE WHICH THE COURT WILL CONSIDER IN ADJUSTING THE CHILD SUPPORT ORDER IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION FOUR HUNDRED THIRTEEN OF THE FAMILY COURT ACT, KNOWN AS THE CHILD SUPPORT STANDARDS ACT.

(2) A PARTY SEEKING SUPPORT FOR ANY CHILD(REN) RECEIVING FAMILY ASSISTANCE SHALL HAVE A CHILD SUPPORT ORDER REVIEWED AND ADJUSTED AT THE DIRECTION OF THE SUPPORT COLLECTION UNIT NO EARLIER THAN TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS AFTER SUCH ORDER IS ISSUED, LAST MODIFIED OR LAST ADJUSTED BY THE SUPPORT COLLECTION UNIT, WITHOUT FURTHER APPLICATION BY ANY PARTY. ALL PARTIES WILL RECEIVE A COPY OF THE ADJUSTED ORDER.

(3) WHERE ANY PARTY FAILS TO PROVIDE, AND UPDATE UPON ANY CHANGE, THE SUPPORT COLLECTION UNIT WITH A CURRENT ADDRESS, AS REQUIRED BY SECTION FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-THREE OF THE FAMILY COURT ACT, TO WHICH AN ADJUSTED ORDER CAN BE SENT, THE SUPPORT OBLIGATION AMOUNT CONTAINED THEREIN SHALL BECOME DUE AND OWING ON THE DATE THE FIRST PAYMENT IS DUE UNDER THE TERMS OF THE ORDER OF SUPPORT WHICH WAS REVIEWED AND ADJUSTED OCCURRING ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ADJUSTED ORDER, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT THE PARTY HAS RECEIVED A COPY OF THE ADJUSTED ORDER.

Dated:

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Petitioner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print or type name

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Signature of Attorney, if any

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Attorney's Name (Print or Type)

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Attorney's Address and Telephone Number