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DEFENDANT. )

If you have received a Motion to Amend Parenting Time, this document is your chance to respond to the statements and requests made by the moving party. You have fourteen (14) days after service of the motion and supporting brief to serve and file your answer brief and other supporting papers. The Court may in its discretion disregard your answer if you serve it or file it with the Court after this date.

Respond to each of the statements and requests made by the moving party in their motion, supporting brief, and other supporting papers. Attach additional sheets as necessary.

If you attach additional sheets, type or write on one side only. On the top of each additional sheet, type or write "Additional Sheet for Answer Brief to Motion to Amend Parenting Time."

## **FACTS**

2.	The ab	ove-named pa	rties have children as follo	ows (checkmark (🗸) the boxes
needed	d, enter	only child's in	itials and year of birth):	
		<b></b>	(initials only) born	(birth year only);
		<b></b>	(initials only) born	(birth year only);
		<b></b>	(initials only) born	(birth year only);
		<b></b>	(initials only) born	(birth year only);
		<b></b>	(initials only) born	(birth year only);
A conf	idential	information for	orm with the full name and birtho	date for each child is on file in this
case.				
3.	(Choos	e one.)		
		The opposing party was served with a copy of the current judgment on (date you		
were served with the current judgment)				
		The opposing party knows about the current judgment because (explain how you		
are aw	are of t	he current jud	gment):	

4. The moving party claims there are relevant facts as to why this motion was brought.

The opposing party's relevant facts are as follows (*briefly describe the relevant facts that apply to your answer to the Motion to Amend Parenting Time. Number each paragraph of your facts as 4(a), 4(b), 4(c), and so on. If you refer to facts from your supporting affidavit, other supporting affidavits, or documents, include the title of the affidavit or document in parentheses following the reference. Include all of the facts you plan to use in paragraphs 7 through 9 of the Law and Argument section.)* 

(Paragraph 4, continued.)

## **LAW AND ARGUMENT**

5. North Dakota Century Code § 14-05-22(2) states as follows:

After making an award of primary residential responsibility, the court, upon request of the other parent, shall grant such rights of parenting time as will enable the child to maintain a parent-child relationship that will be beneficial to the child, unless the court finds, after a hearing, that such rights of parenting time are likely to endanger the child's physical or emotional health.

See also Helfenstein v. Schutt, 2007 ND 106.

- 6. The requested amendment(s) must be in the best interest of the child(ren) for reasons that were unknown to the Court, or that have arisen since the last order. The best interest factors are defined in N.D.C.C. § 14-09-06.2.
- 7. (For 7a through 7j, indicate if you agree or disagree with the moving party's requests to amend the parenting time paragraphs in the current judgment. If the moving party did NOT make a request, checkmark ( $\checkmark$ ) the box for "The Moving Party did not make this request."

a.	The moving party is requesting the court amend paragraph of the current			
judgm	udgment from "reasonable parenting time" to a specific parenting time schedule as stated			
on Pag	ge, Paragraph of the moving party's Brief to Amend Parenting Time.			
	(Choose one.)			
	☐ The opposing party agrees with the moving party's request.			
	☐ The opposing party does not agree with the moving party's request because (briefly			
	explain):			

☐ The Moving Party did not make this request.

b.	The moving party is requesting the court amend paragraph of the current		
judg	ment to amend the specific parenting time schedule as stated on Page, Paragraph		
	of the moving party's Brief to Amend Parenting Time.		
	(Choose one.)		
	☐ The opposing party agrees with the moving party's request.		
$\Box$ The opposing party does not agree with the moving party's request because (br			
	explain):		
	☐ The Moving Party did not make this request.		
c.	The moving party is requesting the court to amend paragraph of the current		
judg	ment related to drop offs and pick-ups of the child(ren) as stated on Page,		
Para	ngraph of the moving party's Brief to Amend Parenting Time.		
	(Choose one.)		
	☐ The opposing party agrees with the moving party's request.		
	☐ The opposing party does not agree with the moving party's request because (briefly		
	explain):		
	☐ The Moving Party did not make this request.		

d.	The moving party is requesting the court to amend paragraph of the current		
judgn	udgment to provide for the transportation of the child(ren) for parenting time as stated on		
Page _	, Paragraph of the moving party's Brief to Amend Parenting Time.		
	(Choose one.)		
	☐ The opposing party agrees with the moving party's request.		
	☐ The opposing party does not agree with the moving party's request because (briefly		
	explain):		
	☐ The Moving Party did not make this request.		
e.	The moving party is requesting the court amend paragraph of the current		
judgn	nent to require supervised visitation as stated on Page, Paragraph of the		
movir	ng party's Brief to Amend Parenting Time.		
	(Choose one.)		
	☐ The opposing party agrees with the moving party's request.		
	☐ The opposing party does not agree with the moving party's request because (briefly		
	explain):		
	☐ The Moving Party did not make this request.		

f.	The moving party is requesting the Court amend paragraph of the current		
judgn	nent to allow unsupervised visitation as stated on Page, Paragraph of the		
movi	ng party's Brief to Amend Parenting Time.		
	(Choose one.)		
	☐ The opposing party agrees with the moving party's request.		
	$\Box$ The opposing party does not agree with the moving party's request because (briefle		
	explain):		
	☐ The Moving Party did not make this request.		
g.	The moving party is requesting the court amend paragraph of the current		
judgn	nent regarding legal residence for school attendance as stated on Page, Paragraph		
	of the moving party's Brief to Amend Parenting Time.		
	(Choose one.)		
	$oldsymbol{\square}$ The opposing party agrees with the moving party's request.		
	$\Box$ The opposing party does not agree with the moving party's request because (briefly		
	explain):		

h.	The moving party is requesting the court amend paragraph of the current		
judgn	nent as stated on Page, Paragraph of the moving party's Brief to Amend		
Paren	iting Time.		
	(Choose one.)		
	☐ The opposing party agrees with the moving party's request.		
	☐ The opposing party does not agree with the moving party's request because (briefly		
	explain):		
	☐ The Moving Party did not make this request.		
i.	The moving party is requesting the court amend paragraph of the current		
judgn	nent as as stated on Page, Paragraph of the moving party's Brief to Amend		
Paren	iting Time.		
	(Choose one.)		
	☐ The opposing party agrees with the moving party's request.		
	☐ The opposing party does not agree with the moving party's request because (briefly		
	explain):		

j.	The moving party is requesting the court amend paragraph of the current		
judgme	ent as stated on Page, Paragraph of the moving party's Brief to Amend		
Parenti	ing Time.		
	(Choose one.)		
	☐ The opposing party agrees with the moving party's request. ☐ The opposing party does not agree with the moving party's request because (briefly		
	explain):		
	☐ The Moving Party did not make this request.		
8.	The moving party claims that their requested amendments are in the best interest of		

the child(ren). My response is as follows (for each amendment listed in paragraph 7 where you agree, describe your relevant facts and explain how your facts clearly show the moving party's proposed amendments are in the child(ren)'s best interest. For each amendment listed in paragraph 7 where you disagree, describe your relevant facts and explain how your facts clearly show the moving party's proposed amendments are NOT in the child(ren)'s best interest. These facts should also be listed in paragraph 4):

(Paragraph 8, continued.)

9. The moving party claims that the reasons for the proposed amendments were unknown to the Court at the time the current judgment was entered, or have arisen since the current judgment was entered. My response is as follows (describe your relevant facts and explain how the facts support your answer to whether the reasons for the proposed amendments were unknown or arose after the current judgment. These facts should also be listed in paragraph 4):

(Para	agraph 9, continued.	
	CONCLUSION	
10.	Based on all of the above and the affidavit(s) filed	in support of this motion, the
oppc	osing party respectfully requests the Court issue (cho	ose one):
	☐ An order to amend parenting time as requested	d by the moving party.
	☐ An order denying the moving party's Motion to	Amend Parenting Time as requested.
	☐ An order to amend Parenting Time as requested	d by the oppposing party in
	paragraph(s)	of the
	Answer Brief (indicate the EXACT paragraphs in your requested amendments).	your answer brief where you stated
	☐ Other:	
	· <del></del>	·
	Dated this day of	, 20
 (Opp	posing Party's Signature)	
 (Prin	nted Name)	
•	dress)	(City, State, Zip Code)
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