

(DRAFT of typical)
AFFIDAVIT of (your complete name)
(last updated 1/25/03)

(This affidavit should concisely present only facts related to this case, to demonstrate to the court that there are no geographic separations that would make equal placement unworkable and that both parents have adequate accommodations to care for the children at both households.)

XXX, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states to the court as follows:

1. I and YYY are the parents of three children AAA (DOB), BBB(DOB), and CCC(DOB). We were divorced on (date of divorce).
2. The current order signed by, Judge ??? on ???, provides for joint custody and placement with me on alternating weekends from Friday (after school or ??Pm) till Sunday night at (8:00PM ?) and every ???day from after school till ??? during the school year, and ??? during the summer and alternating Holidays.
3. I currently pay to YYY \$ per month as child support, in addition to expenses I incur for the children while in my placement. I provide health insurance for the children, and pay % of the children's day care expenses.
4. The children attend (name of school) school. School normally starts at ??? and ends at ??? . From August ?? to May ??)
5. At the time of the divorce YYY resided in an apartment at (complete address). YYY currently resides in a (number) bedroom home at (complete address). The children share one bedroom when they are with YYY. This is approximately ?? miles from the children's school. YYY is employed at (complete name and address of employer). YYY's normal working hours are from 8:00AM to 5:00PM. YYY's office is approximately ?? miles from the children's school.

6. At the time of the divorce I resided at (complete address). I currently reside in a ?? bedroom home at (complete address). This is approximately ?? miles from the children's school. Two children share one bedroom when they are with me. I am employed at (complete name and address of employer). My normal working hours are from 8:00AM to 5:00PM . My office is approximately ?? miles from the children's school. I have sufficient flexibility to pick up the children after school and to provide for their care.
7. I have the following close relatives that are available to help in the raising of the child, during my placement periods and to establish bonds with the children. They reside at (complete address). This is approximately ?? miles from the children's school and ?? miles from my home.
8. The children also go to day care at (complete name and address of daycare provider) before and after school from 7:00am to 7:45AM, and from 3:00PM to 5:30PM. The day care facility takes them to, and pick them up from school.
9. I believe, since the date of the initial order, there has been a substantial change of circumstances since the children are now older and (Summarize all factors that support the conclusion that there has been a substantial change of circumstances to justify a modification of the existing placement order)
10. Both YYY and I want to assume our full responsibility to raise our children. We are both fit, responsible and are the only parties who will live with the consequences of how we deal with our children for the rest of their lives. Both of us live in the same community, have adequate accommodations for the children and are available to care for the children.
11. I believe there are no compelling reasons in this case for the Court to allow one parent, a guardian ad litem, a psychologist, placement study evaluator, a court commissioner or the court's own personal feelings to interference with the equal statutory and fundamental responsibility and right to care for the children of either parent.

12. The cost of litigating this issue will deprive me of money that I need to take care of the children. I believe protracted litigation of this issue is economically and emotionally harmful to the best interest of the children and both parents.

13. I believe that the equal placement proposal included in my parenting plan equally supports both YYY's and mine fundamental responsibilities and rights to raise our children and is in the best interest of our children.

Dated this th day of 2003.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this th day of , 2003.

Notary Public, State of Wisconsin
My commission expires _____