

[Attorney Name]
[Law Firm Name]
[Address]
[City, State, Zip Code]
[Phone Number]
[Email]

[Date]

[Parent 1 Name]
[Parent 2 Name]
[Addresses]

RE: Engagement for Independent Representation of [Minor Child's Name]

Dear [Parent 1 Name] and [Parent 2 Name],

This letter confirms that I have been appointed/retained to serve as the independent legal representative (Attorney for the Minor Child/Guardian ad Litem) for [Minor Child's Name] in the matter of [Case Name/Case Number].

1. Scope of Representation

My sole client is the minor child. My role is to represent the child's best interests and/or legal preferences regarding custody, visitation, and welfare. I do not represent either parent, and no attorney-client relationship exists between me and the parents.

2. Confidentiality

Communications between the child and myself are protected by attorney-client privilege. I will determine what information from the child is shared with the court or the parties based on the child's best interests and applicable legal ethics.

3. Investigation

To fulfill my duties, I will interview the child, review court documents, and may speak with teachers, doctors, or therapists. By signing this agreement, both parents agree to cooperate with my investigation and provide necessary authorizations for the release of the child's records.

4. Fees and Billing

My hourly rate is \$[Amount]. As per the court order dated [Date], the fees shall be paid as follows:

- [Parent 1 Name]: [Percentage]%
- [Parent 2 Name]: [Percentage]%

An initial retainer of \$[Amount] is required prior to the commencement of work.

5. Withdrawal

I reserve the right to withdraw from representation if there is a conflict of interest, non-payment of fees, or upon the conclusion of the legal matter.

Please sign below to acknowledge the terms of this engagement.

Sincerely,

[Attorney Signature]

Acknowledgment

I have read, understand, and agree to the terms set forth in this Engagement Letter.

[Parent 1 Name] | Date

[Parent 2 Name] | Date