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Note to Custodial Parents Regarding Attorney General Felony Non-Support Prosecutions

The attached Custodial Parent Questionnaire is used by the Attorney General Child Support Division to help us determine whether we are able to pursue felony charges against the non-custodial parent in your child support case. The questionnaire is designed to gather basic information about the case. If you would like the Attorney General to review your case for possible felony prosecution, please complete the questionnaire and return it to our office using the enclosed mailing label.

The information you provide will be reviewed by an Attorney General Child Support Special Agent. From that review, the Child Support Division will determine whether your situation meets the criteria established by our office to proceed with felony non-support prosecution. The cases we generally accept involve situations where there is a clearly established order of support, a lengthy history of non-payment, a large arrearage (at least \$10,000), and a determination that the non-custodial parent has the ability to pay. Additionally, it must appear to us that traditional means of enforcement such as income withholding, bench warrants, and tax intercepts, for example, have been ineffective.

Our office will generally not reveal the source of a referral to our office, or that we are investigating a non-custodial parent for felony nonsupport, but we cannot guarantee that the non-custodial parent will not at some point find out that you are cooperating with our office. Also, please understand that we are not in a position to pursue all of the cases that are brought to our attention. Within 90 days of receipt of the completed questionnaire you will receive a letter or phone call from our office to inform you whether we will proceed with a felony non-support prosecution. Therefore, after you have returned the questionnaire, please do not contact our office to check on the status of our review process.

Thank you.

Attorney General Child Support Division
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FELONY NON-SUPPORT – CUSTODIAL PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

AG No. _____

I. Custodial Parent (CP)/Parent with Child(ren)

Name _____ Today's Date ____/____/____

Address _____ Home Phone _____

_____ Work Phone _____

Social Security No. _____ Date of Birth _____

E-mail address: _____

How did you hear about us? _____

(Referral Source – Examples: TV, Radio, Billboard, FOC, Friend, Internet)

Child Support: Amount of Weekly Support _____ Case Worker's Name _____

Case Name _____ Case No. _____ County _____

Arrearage Owed _____ State Portion _____

Birth Expenses Paid by Medicaid: Yes No

Date of Order for Support _____ Copy of Order: Yes No

Amount Last Paid and Date _____ Case Worker's Phone _____

Names of Child(ren) _____ Date of Birth _____

_____ Date of Birth _____

_____ Date of Birth _____

Relationship with NCP: Married Divorced Never Married -- Short Term Long Term

II. Non-Custodial Parent (NCP)/Person Paying Child Support

Name _____ Social Security No. _____

Address _____ Home Phone _____

_____ Work Phone _____

Date of Birth _____ Driver's License No. _____

Description of Vehicle _____

Prior Domestic Violence History: Yes No

Physical Description: Height _____ Weight _____ Eyes _____

Hair _____ Race _____ Other _____

*Please attach a photograph of the NCP if one is available (it will not be returned).

NCP's Immediate Family (please list, including current spouse):

Name _____ Relation to NCP _____

Address _____ Home Phone _____

_____ Work Phone _____

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Name _____ Relation to NCP _____

Address _____ Home Phone _____

_____ Work Phone _____

Work History: Present _____ Location _____

Dates Employed _____ Approximate Income _____

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Past Company _____ Location _____

Dates Employed _____ Approximate Income _____

III. Additional Information:

1. Is the NCP the biological parent of each child?

2. Where did the NCP live when the court order was entered for child support.

3. What evidence is there the NCP had actual knowledge of the court order to pay? (e.g. personal service, voluntary payments, appearances in court)

4. What is the NCP's education background and specialized job skills?

5. State everything you know, and the source(s) of this information, about:
 - ability to work –
 - income –
 - assets –
6. Have the children lived with you continuously since the child support order was issued? If not, explain.
7. What contact does the NCP have with the Children? What contact has occurred in the past?
8. Have you received direct payment for the NCP or his/her family, which did not go through the Friend of the Court?
9. Have you ever agreed to a support arrangement that is different from the court order? If so, explain.
10. Did you offer or agree not to request child support for any reason? If so, explain.
11. Has the NCP ever been arrested for a crime? If so, explain.
12. Are there any outstanding warrants for the NCP?
13. What reasons might the NCP give for non-payment of child support?
14. Has the NCP ever declared bankruptcy? If so, explain.

15. Do you have a copy of any tax returns filed during your marriage that you could enclose?
If not, please state your income for the years you were married or lived together.

16. Please describe the enforcement proceedings that have taken place and the agency that took action, including the number of bench warrants issued.

17. Has the NCP been investigated or prosecuted for criminal non-support?

18. To your knowledge, has the NCP ever been disabled, or received social security benefits for a disability?

19. State any other information you think would be helpful for us to know.

20. Have the children ever been adopted, and if so, when?

21. Once a criminal charge has been brought, you cannot have it dropped or reduced. Any charge reduction is in the discretion of the Prosecutor/Attorney General's Office. As a result of prosecution, the NCP may go to jail or prison and would not be paying child support while incarcerated. The proceedings may put a strain on any relationship he/she has with the children, and/or possibly between the children and you. There is no assurance that you will receive any money due to criminal prosecution and you will be required to testify in court. With these things in mind, do you want to request criminal prosecution? If so, please sign below.

Please sign here _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____

Please mail completed questionnaire to:
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