

PERMANENCY HEARING ORDER

[ADULT CUSTODIAL CARE]

Court Case Number

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF _____ COUNTY, ALABAMA
(Name of County)

In the Matter of _____, a child

Child: _____ Date of Birth: _____

On _____ (date), a permanency hearing was held by the above court.

APPEARANCES

Note: Check which parties and/or attorneys and/ or others were present at the hearing:

Mother	Guardian ad litem
Father	Department of Human Resources (Department) Caseworker
*Child	Department Attorney
Mother's Attorney	**Paternal Grandmother Grandfather
Father's Attorney	**Maternal Other Relatives: _____ (specify)
**Maternal Grandmother	**Paternal Other Relatives: _____ (specify)
Grandfather	**Foster Parents: _____ (specify)
**Others (specify): _____	

* Federal law and state law (Section 12-15-315(a), Ala.Code 1975, requires age-appropriate consultation with the child at each permanency hearing regarding the permanency plan and/or any transition plan to independent living. I have ensured this consultation with the child was given.

** If one or more of these persons who are caring for the child under the responsibility of the Department are not present, I have ensured that they have received notice of this hearing.

THE COURT FINDS THAT [CHECK WHICH BOXES ARE APPLICABLE] :

- Efforts made by the Department, following the placement of the above-named child into foster care, were not reasonable to finalize the existing permanency plan of _____ for the above-named child, as follows:
After reviewing the attached Department's written court report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, and/or after obtaining input from the foster parents, preadoptive parents, or relative caregivers of the child, I incorporate into this Order the efforts described in the court report;
After reviewing the attached Department's written court report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, and/or after obtaining input from the foster parents, preadoptive parents, or relative caregivers of the child, I modify the efforts described in the court report as follows:
- The child currently cannot adjust or function in a family setting because:
After reviewing the attached Department's written court report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, I incorporate into this Order the Department's explanation in its court report why the child cannot function in a family setting during childhood and into adulthood, including the child's diagnosis and the sources of that diagnosis, the duration and credentials of those making the diagnosis, the duration and circumstances of the evaluation, and the specific behavior or reactions of the child that make the child unable to function in a family environment;
After reviewing the attached Department's written court report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, I modify the Department's explanation in its court report why the child cannot function in a family setting during childhood and into adulthood, including the child's diagnosis and the sources of that diagnosis, the duration and credentials of those making the diagnosis, the duration and circumstances of the evaluation, and the specific behavior or reactions of the child that make the child unable to function in a family environment, as follows:
- The following is the most realistic long-term goal for the child after the child's eventual discharge from adult custodial foster care:

4. Efforts have been made by the Department, following the placement of the child into foster care, to bring about the child's safe and speedy return home and such efforts were were not reasonable:

After reviewing the attached Department's written court report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, I incorporate into this Order the Department's description in its court report of its efforts to reunify the family;
 After reviewing the attached Department's written court report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, I modify the Department's description in its court report of its efforts to reunify the family, as follows:

5. *If the child is placed in a home in a different state than the home of the child's parents, the placement continues to be appropriate and in the child's best interests for the following reasons [Note: If the child is placed in the same state as one or both of the child's parents, leave this blank]:*

After reviewing the attached Department's written court report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, I incorporate into this Order the Department's explanation in its court report why it is necessary to place the child in a different state;
After reviewing the attached Department's written court report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, I modify the Department's explanation in its court report why it is necessary to place the child in a different state, as follows:

6. *If the child is 14 years of age or older, the following services are needed to assist the child in attaining the fullest possible progress toward successful adulthood (Norte: If the child is less than 14 years of age or if independent living services are not provided, leave this space blank):*

After reviewing the attached Department's written report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, and after consulting with the child, in an age-appropriate manner, regarding the transition plan to independent living, I incorporate into this Order the Department's statement in its court report concerning the services the child needs to attain the fullest possible progress toward successful adulthood;
After reviewing the attached Department's written report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, and after consulting with the child, in an age-appropriate manner, regarding the transition plan to independent living, I modify the Department's statement in its court report concerning the services the child needs to attain the fullest possible progress toward successful adulthood, as follows:

7. At this hearing, I have considered both in-state and out-of-state placement options for the child.

8. The Department has included information concerning age or developmentally appropriate activities for the child in its written court report dated _____, p. _____.

THE COURT HEREBY ORDERS THAT [CHECK WHICH BOXES ARE APPLICABLE]:

1. The child shall remain in agency-supervised adult custodial care until further ordered by the court.

2. The Department shall implement the following plan to ensure this stability of the placement:

After reviewing the attached Department's written report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, I incorporate into this Order the Department's proposed plan in the court report;
 After reviewing the attached Department's written report dated _____, p. _____, and based on the testimony of the parties, I modify the Department's proposed plan in the court report, as follows:

Other:

3. The next hearing in this case shall be a review hearing and shall take place at _____ [a.m.] [p.m.] on _____ (date) in _____ (location of hearing).

SIGNED this _____ Date _____ Judge _____