

ORDER, TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF STATUTORY PARENT/GUARDIAN

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 C.G.S. §§ 17a-42(b), 17a-111b, 17a-112, 45a-715, 45a-717(f), (g), (h), (k)
 Pr. Bk. sec. 35a-19(a)

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
SUPERIOR COURT
 JUVENILE MATTERS
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ADDRESS OF COURT		DOCKET NO.
NAME OF PETITIONER	NAME OF CHILD/YOUTH	DATE OF BIRTH
NAME OF FATHER	ADDRESS OF FATHER	
NAME OF MOTHER	ADDRESS OF MOTHER	
NAME OF GUARDIAN (If applicable)	ADDRESS OF GUARDIAN (If applicable)	

At a session of the Superior Court upon notice and hearing on the petition by the party indicated above, requesting that the parental rights of the above-named mother and/or father in said child/youth be terminated in conformity with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes and that a statutory parent or guardian be appointed, the court finds clear and convincing evidence that:

- I. DCF has made reasonable efforts to locate the mother father (if applicable).
- DCF has made reasonable efforts to reunify said child/youth with the mother father, or
- Mother Father is/are unable or unwilling to benefit from reunification efforts.
- Reasonable efforts to reunify are not required for mother father as the court determined at a hearing pursuant to Sec. 17a-111b or determined at a trial on the petition that such efforts are not required.
- II. **The court finds clear and convincing evidence of the following ground(s) for termination of parental rights:**
- The mother father of said child/youth voluntarily and knowingly consents to the termination of any parental rights with respect to the child/youth; or
- A. The child/youth has been abandoned by the mother father in the sense that the parent(s) failed to maintain a reasonable degree of interest, concern, or responsibility as to the welfare of the child/youth.
- B1. The child/youth has been found in a prior proceeding to have been neglected or uncared for AND the mother father has/have failed to achieve such degree of personal rehabilitation as would encourage the belief that within a reasonable time, considering the age and needs of the child/youth, he/she/they could assume a responsible position in the life of the child/youth, or
- B2. The child/youth is neglected or uncared for and has been in the custody of the Commissioner for at least 15 months and such parent has been provided specific steps to take to facilitate the return of the child/youth AND the mother father has/have failed to achieve such degree of personal rehabilitation as would encourage the belief that within a reasonable time, considering the age and needs of the child/youth, he/she/they could assume a responsible position in the life of the child/youth.
- C. The child/youth has been denied, by reason of an act or acts of commission or omission, including but not limited to, sexual molestation or exploitation, severe physical abuse or a pattern of abuse, by the mother father the care, guidance or control necessary for his/her physical, educational, moral or emotional well being.
- D. There is no ongoing parent-child/youth relationship with respect to the mother father that ordinarily develops as a result of a parent having met on a day to day basis the physical, emotional, moral, and educational needs of the child/youth and to allow further time for the establishment or re-establishment of the parent-child/youth relationship would be detrimental to the best interests of the child/youth.

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- E. The mother father of the child, under the age of seven years who is neglected or uncared for, has/have failed, is/are unable or is/are unwilling to achieve such degree of personal rehabilitation as would encourage the belief that within a reasonable period of time, considering the age and needs of the child, such parent(s) could assume a responsible position in the life of the child and such parent's/parents' parental rights of another child were previously terminated pursuant to a petition filed by the Commissioner of the Department of Children and Families.
- F. The mother father has killed through deliberate, non-accidental act another child/youth of the parent or has requested, commanded, importuned, attempted, conspired, or solicited such killing or has committed an assault, through deliberate non-accidental act that resulted in serious bodily injury of another child/youth of the parent.
- G. The mother father was convicted as an adult or a delinquent by a court of competent jurisdiction of a sexual assault resulting in the conception of the child/youth, except a conviction for a violation of section 53a-71 OR 53a-73a.

III. **The court finds clear and convincing evidence that termination of parental rights is in the best interest of the child/youth.**

ORDER

It is therefore ordered that the parental rights of the above-named mother father in said child/youth are hereby terminated in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

- 1. The statutory parent for said child/youth shall be the Commissioner of the Department of Children and Families,
OR
- The guardian of the person of said child/youth shall be *(Name and address)*:

2. The statutory parent/guardian shall file a case plan not later than (30 days after date of judgment) and at least every three months thereafter shall file a report or treatment plan/administrative review on the implementation of the plan. CASE PLAN DUE DATE

3. A hearing to review the permanency plan shall be convened and conducted no more than 12 months from the date of judgment or from the date of the last permanency plan hearing, whichever is earlier and at least once a year thereafter while the child/youth remains in the custody of the Commissioner of Children and Families. HEARING DATE

- 4. The court approves the cooperative post adoption agreement attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 5. The Department of Children and Families shall place the child on the photo-list within thirty days of the termination of parental rights.
- 6. The Clerk of the Probate Court with jurisdiction over any subsequent adoption of the child/youth shall notify in writing the Deputy Chief Clerk of the Superior Court for Juvenile Matters at _____ (location) of the date when said adoption is finalized.

NAME OF JUDGE	SIGNED <i>(Judge)</i>	DATE OF ORDER	DATE SIGNED
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The above and foregoing is a true copy of the order and was mailed to the Commissioner of Children and Families and *(if applicable)* to the Probate Court at: _____.

SIGNED <i>(Judge, Clerk)</i>	AT <i>(Town)</i>	ON <i>(Date)</i>
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