

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS, CASS COUNTY, ILLINOIS

GWENDOLYN M. THOMAS

Petitioner,

vs.

LUKE A. THOMAS,

Respondent.

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No. 2022-DC-15

**COUNTER-AFFIDAVIT OF LUKE A. THOMAS IN RESPONSE TO AFFIDAVIT OF
THE HONORABLE HOLLY J. HENZE**

I, LUKE A. THOMAS, being first duly sworn under oath, depose and state that I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein, and if called as a witness, I could and would competently testify thereto:

1. I am the Respondent in the above-captioned cause. I am over the age of eighteen (18), I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this Counter-Affidavit, and if called as a witness, I could and would competently testify thereto.
2. I was admitted to practice law in the State of Illinois in November, 2002; admitted to practice law in the United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois and United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of Illinois in 2005; and admitted to the United States Supreme Court Bar in 2017.
3. I actively practiced law in Cass County and throughout the Eighth Judicial Circuit of Illinois from January 2003-May 2019. Similarly, I practiced in the federal courts hereinabove identified from 2005-2019.
4. During my practice of law in the aforesaid Courts, I was never sanctioned nor were sanctions ever sought against me for filing any vexatious or frivolous pleading or another similarly sanctionable conduct under state or federal rules of practice, including Illinois

Supreme Court Rule 137 or Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 11 despite handling hundreds of cases before said Courts.

5. This Counter-Affidavit is submitted in response to the Affidavit of the Honorable Holly J. Henze, file-stamped October 16, 2026.
6. On the morning of October 16, 2026, I received a direct email from the Cass County Circuit Clerk's Office containing a PDF document titled "Affidavit," signed by the Honorable Holly J. Henze and bearing a physical, wet-ink file-stamp of October 16, 2026. This Affidavit was not served upon me via the mandated Odyssey File & Serve (TylerTech) electronic filing system. It did not contain a Notice of Filing, did not bear a TylerTech digital watermark or envelope number, and lacked a Certificate of Service evidencing standard transmission to the parties.
7. By contrast, my own filings in this cause—including the Notice of Filing for Completion of the Record and the Motion to Continue Evidentiary Hearing, both submitted on October 15, 2026—were processed through the TylerTech system and bear the corresponding digital watermark. See Group Exhibit A.
8. Paragraph 8 of the Henze Affidavit states that the communications with the Guardian ad Litem "were disclosed to the Petitioner and the Respondent at subsequent hearing(s)..." I was present for all subsequent hearings following the May 2023 weekend in question. At no time during any subsequent hearing—whether on or off the official record—did Judge Henze disclose the substance or extent of the ex parte communications she engaged in with the Guardian ad Litem or any other person.
9. Certified Reports of Proceedings exist for multiple subsequent hearings held in late 2023, including September 20, 2023; November 3, 2023; December 1, 2023; and December 29, 2023. I have reviewed these certified transcripts, and no such disclosure exists within them. See Group Exhibit B.

10. The official Cass County Circuit Court docket contains no docket entry, minute entry, or written order from May 2023 through the present date memorializing an official, on-the-record disclosure by Judge Henze of the substance of her ex parte communications with the Guardian ad Litem.
11. On May 19, 2023, the Guardian ad Litem sent an "Urgent" email to the Court stating: "I have conferred with Judge Henze.". The substance of that conference has never been disclosed on the record. See Group Exhibit C.
12. During a hearing on September 25, 2025, I was sworn in and testified under oath before Chief Judge J. Frank McCartney regarding the ex parte communications. The certified Report of Proceedings for September 25, 2025, reflects my testimony: "I asked for ex parte communications to be shared with me. That's denied.". See Group Exhibit D. Neither Judge Henze nor Petitioner objected to or contradicted this sworn testimony on the record at the September 25, 2025 hearing.
13. Paragraph 7 of the Henze Affidavit states that Judge Henze "obtained from Judge Perrin a copy of the Emergency Order of Protection" from Sangamon County and that "A copy of same was transmitted to the GAL at her request.". Prior to reading the Henze Affidavit on October 16, 2026, I was never informed on the record, nor was any notice filed, stating that Judge Henze had independently procured case documents from a judge in a different county and transmitted them to the Guardian ad Litem. No docket entry, minute entry, or written order reflects this transmission.
14. During a hearing on November 3, 2023, Judge Henze acknowledged on the record that the kidnapping allegation was false. The certified Report of Proceedings for November 3, 2023, reflects the following statement by Judge Henze: "I entered that order based on my—the information that I had at the time that he had basically kidnapped Grant and then I find out that that's not the case, you guys had a camping trip planned, you had

given them permission to do that." Judge Henze further stated: "That information wasn't exactly correct that I was operating under." A true and correct copy of the relevant excerpt is attached as Group Exhibit G.

15. Paragraph 4 of the Henze Affidavit states that between September 2, 2025, and August 25, 2026, I "filed in excess of twenty pleadings, which caused delaying in hearing pending motions.". Between the filing of my Motions for Disclosure on October 6, 2025, and November 14, 2025, and the Court's ruling on August 25, 2026, the Court never issued a briefing schedule, notice of hearing, or any written directive indicating that the threshold due process motions were being delayed by my other administrative filings.
16. On October 28, 2025, I transmitted a formal letter to Chief Judge McCartney, attaching the pending Motion for Disclosure and explicitly stating: "As to the Motion to Disclose Ex-Parte Communications, I believe the Court has the authority and obligation to rule on this without delay.". See Group Exhibit E.
17. Paragraph 5 of the Henze Affidavit relies upon an August 24, 2026 email sent at 3:36 PM to claim she provided notice of her intent to rule. She subsequently entered an Order denying the motions the very next day, August 25, 2026. I was not provided an opportunity to respond, object, or request a hearing before the Order was entered.
18. On May 11, 2023, my Petition/Motion to Join IHDS for the purpose of determining responsibility for any payments made in error based on Petitioner's alleged misrepresentation(s) in her application for public aid/SNAP/TANF benefits was denied. At that time I had temporary medical decision making for G.A.T..
19. On May 20, 2023, May 22-23, 2023, and May 30, 2023, Judge Henze entered orders without any notice, pleading or motion requesting relief pending, entered a series of orders based on information obtained ex-parte and not subsequently disclosed in any form. *In a span of 18 days, my medical decision-making was stripped, my parenting time*

was terminated, a valid Order of Protection I received was vacated, and I was subjected to a forced mental health evaluation—all without a single evidentiary hearing, without a single transcript, and based entirely on unsworn, ex parte conversations the presiding judge had with the GAL, the Petitioner, other judges, or unknown individuals.

VERIFICATION BY CERTIFICATION

Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this Counter-Affidavit are complete and correct, except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief, and as to such matters, the undersigned certifies aforesaid that I verily believe the same to be true. I further state that the statements made in the foregoing Counter-Affidavit as to want of knowledge sufficient to form a belief are true.

Dated: October 17, 2026

By: /s/ Luke A. Thomas
LUKE A. THOMAS, Respondent
Thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com
ARDC No. 6278591

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Luke A. Thomas, an attorney at law duly licensed to practice in the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that I served a copy of the foregoing Instrument as set forth herein upon Petitioner at her respective electronic mailing address of record:

Gwendolyn M. Thomas: gwentomaslaw@gmail.com

Signed this 17th day of October, 2026.

By: /s/ Luke A. Thomas
LUKE A. THOMAS, Respondent
Thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com
ARDC No. 6278591

RGEXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description
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Group Exhibit A	TylerTech filing receipts (Envelope Nos. 40498439 and 40503142)
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Group Exhibit B	Certified Reports of Proceedings, Table of Contents (Sept. 20, Nov. 3, Dec. 1, Dec. 29, 2023)
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Group Exhibit C	May 19, 2023 email from Guardian ad Litem ("I have conferred with Judge Henze")
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Group Exhibit D	Report of Proceedings, September 25, 2025 (testimony: "I asked for ex parte communications to be shared with me. That's denied.")
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Group Exhibit E	Letter to Chief Judge McCartney, October 28, 2025
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Group Exhibit F	January 19, 2024 email from Judge Henze ("I have an ethical obligation to ensure there are no ex parte communications")
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Group Exhibit G	ROP November 3, 2023 Transcript Excerpt
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GROUP EXHIBIT A



Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

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Filing Code	Motion to Continue or Extend Time
Filed By	Luke Thomas
Filing Attorney	

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GROUP EXHIBIT B

APPEAL TO THE APPELLATE COURT OF ILLINOIS
 FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
 FROM THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
 CASS COUNTY, ILLINOIS

THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M	)	
Plaintiff/Petitioner	)	Reviewing Court No: 4-26-0842
	)	Circuit Court No: 2022DC15
	)	Trial Judge: J Frank McCartney
v	)	
	)	
	)	
THOMAS, LUKE A	)	
Defendant/Respondent	)	

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09/25/2025		REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS	R 986 - R 1018
06/15/2026		REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS	R 1019 - R 1025

Date	Entry	Judge	Reporter
Entered Under: THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M			
10/16/2026	Affidavit filed by Honorable Judge Holly J. Henze. Document #304445 (NOTICE OF FILING) dated 10/16/2026 emailed to: MCCARTNEY, J FRANK THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #304457 (MOTION TO CONTINUE) dated 10/16/2026 emailed to: MCCARTNEY, J FRANK THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #304458 (AFFIDAVIT) dated 10/16/2026 emailed to: MCCARTNEY, J FRANK THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
10/15/2026	Notice of Filing filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/15/2026	Motion to Continue filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/05/2026	Notice of Filing filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/05/2026	Order Setting Hearing for Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause on October 22, 2026 at 1:15 p.m. entered.	JFM	
10/05/2026	Document #303664 (ORDER SETTING HEARING) dated 10/5/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
10/05/2026	RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR RULING ON THE PLEADINGS PURSUANT TO 735 ILCS 5/2-1001(a)(1), WITH EXPRESS PRESERVATION OF RIGHTS UNDER 735 ILCS 5/2-1001(a)(3) AND REQUEST FOR ALTERNATIVE RELIEF.	UNASSIGNED	
10/05/2026	RESPONDENT'S MEMORANDUM OF LAW IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION OF JUDGE (735 ILCS 5/2-1001(a)(1) Basis) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/02/2026	Order RE: Payment to Court Reporter entered.	HJH	
10/02/2026	Document #303576 (ORDER RE: PAYMENT TO COURT REPORTER) dated 10/2/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
10/01/2026	Verified Petition For Costs And Suit Money Pursuant filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/30/2026	Report of Proceedings filed by Gina L. Feehan, RPR, CSR.	UNASSIGNED	
09/24/2026	Supplement To Amended Petition For Relief filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplement To Petition For Modification Of Custody filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplement To Motion To Clarify filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/23/2026	Document #302640 (ORDER ON RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR REIMBURSEMENT) dated 9/23/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
09/23/2026	Motion to Vacate Scheduling Order and Enforce ADA Accommodations filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/23/2026	Motion for Substitution of Judge -Material Witness Based on August 24, 2026 Order filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/23/2026	Respondent's Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause is referred to the Chief Judge. Hearing date of October 2, 2026 is vacated. Order entered.	HJH	
09/23/2026	The Honorable J. Frank McCartney is assigned to hear and determine the Motion for Substitution of Judge. Order Assigning Judge to Hear Motion for Substitution entered.	RBT	

09/23/2026	Document #302723 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 9/23/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #302756 (ORDER ASSIGNING JUDGE TO HEAR MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION) dated 9/23/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
09/22/2026	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se via zoom. Cause comes on for Motion Hearing. Hearing held in CR 2. Arguments heard on Motion for Reimbursement. Motion for Reimbursement is denied at this time. Cause is set to October 2, 2026 at 12:00 p.m. for Petition hearing. Order to Follow. Order on Respondent's Motion for Reimbursement entered.	HJH	GF
09/22/2026	Amended Petition Pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-1401 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/21/2026	Response To Motion For Reimbursement For Purposes Of Prosecuting Appeal And Related Litigation filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
09/21/2026	Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
09/08/2026	Order Re: Respondent's Emergency Motion entered.	HJH	
09/08/2026	Document #301628 (ORDER) dated 9/8/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
09/03/2026	RESPONDENT'S EMERGENCY MOTION TO ADVANCE HEARING DATE, RULE ON THE RECORD, OR FOR ADA ACCOMMODATION filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
08/31/2026	Notice of Filing filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Notice of Filing filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
08/28/2026	Document #301139 (ORDER RE:MOTION FOR AMENDED ORDER) dated 8/28/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #301046 (MOTION FOR AMENDED ORDER) dated 8/27/2026 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #301144 (MOTION TO RECONSIDER AUGUST 27, 2026 ORDER) dated 8/28/2026 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #301145 (MOTION TO VACATE ORDER GRANTING RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR REIMBURSEMENT) dated 8/28/2026 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J THOMAS, LUKE A.	UNASSIGNED	
08/28/2026	On the Court's own Motion, Order Granting Respondent's Motion for Reimbursement entered on August 24, 2026 is vacated. Respondent's Motion for Reimbursement and any other related motions/petitions on file or to be filed related to the "gun sale" proceeds, will be heard at 1:00 p.m. on September 22, 2026. Either or both parties may appear via zoom. Order entered.	HJH	
08/28/2026	Document #301162 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 8/28/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
08/28/2026	Verified Notice of Filing for Completion of the Record #2 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
08/27/2026	Motion for Amended Order filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
08/27/2026	Order Re:Motion for Amended Order entered.	HJH	
08/27/2026	Motion to Reconsider August 27, 2026 Order filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
08/27/2026	Motion to Vacate Order Granting Respondent's Motion for Reimbursement filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
08/27/2026	Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
08/26/2026	Subpoena Duces Tecum directed to Beardstown Savings, s.b.--Issued filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	

08/25/2026	Respondent's Motion for Disclosure of Ex Parte Communications filed on October 6, 2025 and Respondent's Motion to Disclose Ex Parte Communications filed on November 14, 2025 are denied. The Court has reviewed all file notes, emails and text messages, specifically those communications with the GAL and can find no communications that were not later disclosed on the record. The Respondent's Motion to Stay Proceedings filed October 3, 2025 and Respondent's Motion to Vacate Order and Strike Hearing Date filed on May 4, 2026 are now moot and denied. Order entered.	HJH	
08/25/2026	Document #300787 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 8/25/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
08/24/2026	Document #300631 (MOTION FOR ENTRY OF ORDER) dated 8/24/2026 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J.	UNASSIGNED	
08/24/2026	Order Granting Respondent's Motion for Reimbursement entered.	HJH	
08/24/2026	Document #300670 (ORDER GRANTING RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR REIMBURSEMENT) dated 8/24/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
08/21/2026	Motion for Entry of Order filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
08/11/2026	Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
07/30/2026	Motion to Stay Enforcement of Judgment Pending Appeal is granted. Order Re: Motion to Stay Enforcement of Judgment Pending Appeal entered.	JFM	
07/30/2026	Document #299008 (ORDER RE: MOTION TO STAY ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENT PENDING APPEAL) dated 7/30/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
07/30/2026	Respondent's Motion to Expedite Ruling is denied. Order Re: Motion to Expedite entered.	HJH	
07/30/2026	Document #299016 (ORDER RE: MOTION TO EXPEDITE) dated 7/30/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
07/28/2026	Petitioner is granted 14 days to file a written response to Respondent's Motion for Reimbursement filed on July 27, 2026. Order entered.	HJH	
07/28/2026	Document #298837 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 7/28/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
07/28/2026	Motion to Expedite Ruling filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
07/27/2026	Respondent's Motion For Reimbursement filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion for Reimbursement filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
07/27/2026	Correspondence to Cass County Circuit Clerk re Presentation of Motion and Proposed Order filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Correspondence to Cass County Circuit Clerk 7-28-2026 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
07/23/2026	Notice of Filing filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
07/23/2026	Notice Of Appeal filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
07/23/2026	Motion to Stay Pending Appeal filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
07/02/2026	Affidavit of Costs filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
07/02/2026	Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
06/23/2026	Order Re: June 15, 2026 Hearing on Motion for Substitution of Judge entered.	JFM	
06/23/2026	Document #296309 (ORDER RE: JUNE 15, 2026 HEARING ON MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION OF JUDGE) dated 6/23/2026 emailed to:	UNASSIGNED	

	THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.		
06/16/2026	Order RE: payment to court reporter entered.	JFM	
06/15/2026	Petitioner present in person. Respondent present via zoom. Cause comes on for Motion Hearing. Hearing held in CR 1. Motion to Stay is denied as to this hearing. Arguments heard on Motion for Substitution of Judge. Matter taken under advisement. Formal Order to Follow.	JFM	GF
06/11/2026	Motion for Stay and Notice of Filing Motion Pursuant to S. Ct. Rule 383 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
06/11/2026	Group Exhibit A -- Notice of Filing and Motion to Stay Trial Court Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Group Exhibit A - Part 2 (Supporting Record) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
06/08/2026	Notice of Filing Motion for Supervisory Order Pursuant to Rule 383 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
06/01/2026	Proof of Service/Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
06/01/2026	Notice of Subpoena Duces Tecum filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/28/2026	Court sets cause to June 15, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. for hearing on Motion for Substitution. Parties may appear via zoom or in person but shall advise the Court as to whether they will appear via zoom through email by June 12, 2026. Order entered.	JFM	
05/28/2026	Document #294525 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/28/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
05/27/2026	Amended Notice Of Intent To Seek Supervisory Order filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/21/2026	A Motion for Substitution of Judge having been filed, this matter is hereby referred to the Chief Judge. Hearing date of May 22, 2026 is vacated. Order entered.	HJH	
05/21/2026	Document #294101 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/21/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
05/21/2026	It is hereby Ordered that the Honorable J. Frank McCartney is assigned to hear and determine the Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause filed in this matter. Order Re:Assignment of Judge for Motion for Substitution entered.	RBT	
05/21/2026	Document #294121 (ORDER RE:ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGE FOR MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION) dated 5/21/2026 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
05/20/2026	Notice of Intent to File Rule 383 Motion filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/20/2026	Motion for Substitution of Judge filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/19/2026	Notice of Receipt re Firearms filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/19/2026	Response to Emergency Motion for Temporary Custody filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN. Response to Emergency and Permanent Petition Modification of Custody filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
05/05/2026	Document #292866 (MOTION TO VACATE ERRONEOUS ORDER AND STRIKE HEARING) dated 5/5/2026 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON NICKOLS, LORELEI THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	

05/04/2026	Motion to Vacate Erroneous Order and Strike Hearing filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
04/22/2026	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
04/10/2026	Motion for Extension of Time re Financial Affidavit and lack of Info filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
04/06/2026	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
03/23/2026	By agreement, Cause is set for Hearing on May 22, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. for Petition Hearing. Any and all amendments to the previously filed Petitions and Financial Affidavits shall be filed by April 6, 2026. Proposed Parenting Plans shall be filed by April 22, 2026. Order entered.	HJH	
02/23/2026	Mandate Received dismissing appeal filed.	UNASSIGNED	
01/16/2026	Order from Appellate Court dismissing appeal filed.	UNASSIGNED	
12/26/2025	Notice of Appeal filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/01/2025	Response to Petition for Indirect Civil Contempt filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/25/2025	Order Re: Motion for Substitution filed November 7, 2025 entered.	JFM	
11/25/2025	Document #282794 (ORDER RE: MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION) dated 11/25/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
11/19/2025	Order Referring Matter to Chief Judge for Assignment and Scheduling of Hearing entered.	HJH	
11/14/2025	Motion to Compel Disclosure of Ex-Parte Communications filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/14/2025	Exhibit filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/14/2025	The Honorable Holly J. Henze referred this matter to the Chief Judge for assignment to hear the Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause. The Honorable J. Frank McCartney is assigned to hear the Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause. Order Assigning Judge to Hear Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause entered.	RBT	
11/14/2025	Document #282213 (ORDER ASSIGNING JUDGE TO HEAR MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION) dated 11/14/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
11/14/2025	Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion to Compel Disclosure of Ex-Parte Communications filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/07/2025	Verification filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/07/2025	Motion for Substitution of Judge--Judge is Material Witness (a)(1) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/06/2025	Order in RE: Motion to Reconsider-Denied entered.	JFM	
11/06/2025	Order for Consolidation of Cases and Assignment of Judge entered. 23-OP-29 is hereby consolidated with this matter. Judge Holly J. Henze to hear consolidated matters.	RBT	
11/06/2025	Document #281436 (ORDER FOR CONSOLIDATION OF CASES AND ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGE) dated 11/6/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON NICKOLS, LORELEI THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #281435 (ORDER) dated 11/6/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON NICKOLS, LORELEI THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
11/03/2025	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
11/03/2025	Affidavit in Support of Emergency Custody Issues filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	

11/03/2025	Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/03/2025	Motion to Modify filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/03/2025	Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/03/2025	Affidavit re Attempts to Mediate filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/28/2025	Correspondence to Honorable J. Frank McCartney filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/27/2025	Motion to Reconsider filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/15/2025	Report of Proceedings, September 25, 2025 Hearing, filed by Kathy Genenbacher, CSR.	UNASSIGNED	
10/15/2025	Order RE: payment to court reporter entered.	HJH	
10/14/2025	Petition for Relief from Judgment Pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-1401 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/06/2025	Motion for Disclosure of Ex-Parte Communications (Rule 2.9) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/06/2025	Order RE: payment to court reporter entered.	HJH	
10/03/2025	Motion to Continue filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/03/2025	Respondent's Motion to Stay Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/03/2025	Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/03/2025	Document #279646 (REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS) dated 10/3/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A.	UNASSIGNED	
10/02/2025	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
10/02/2025	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
09/26/2025	Order Re: September 25, 2025 Motion Hearing entered.	JFM	
09/26/2025	Document #278998 (ORDER RE: SEPTEMBER 25, 2025 MOTION HEARING) dated 9/26/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
09/25/2025	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se via zoom. Cause comes on for Pending Motion Hearing. Hearing held in CR 1. Arguments heard on Motion for Clarification & to Set Procedural Order and Motion for Administrative Order. Motion for Clarification & and to Set Procedural Order is denied. Motion for Administrative Order denied. Respondent sworn in to testify. Arguments heard on Respondent's Third Amended Motion for Substitution. Respondent's Third Amended Motion for Substitution is denied. Formal Order to Follow.	JFM	KG
09/22/2025	Motion for Clarification and to Set Procedural Order of Hearing filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/19/2025	Order Setting Hearing to September 25, 2025 at 2:30 p.m. for hearing on all pending motions entered.	JFM	
09/19/2025	Document #278496 (ORDER SETTING HEARING) dated 9/19/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
09/18/2025	Certificate of Service regarding discovery upon Luke Thomas filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
09/16/2025	Motion for Administrative Order filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/15/2025	Second Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Third Amended Motion for Substitution for Judge for Cause filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/08/2025	Order RE: payment to court reporter entered.	TJW	
09/08/2025	Order Setting Hearing to September 25, 2025 at 2:30 p.m. for hearing on Motion for Substitution entered.	JFM	
09/08/2025	Document #277502 (ORDER SETTING HEARING) dated 9/8/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
09/08/2025	Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/04/2025	The Honorable Holly J. Henze referred this matter to the Chief Judge for assignment to hear the Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause. The Honorable J. Frank McCartney is assigned to hear the Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause.	RBT	

	Order Assigning Judge to Hear Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause entered.		
09/04/2025	Document #277340 (ORDER ASSIGNING JUDGE TO HEAR MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION) dated 9/4/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #277340 (ORDER ASSIGNING JUDGE TO HEAR MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION) dated 9/4/2025 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J.	UNASSIGNED	
09/02/2025	Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/02/2025	Respondent's Motion for Substitution for Cause is stricken for the reason that the Motion fails to comply with 735 ILCS 5/2-1001(a)(3)(ii). Order entered.	HJH	
09/02/2025	Document #277104 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 9/2/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
09/02/2025	Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
08/29/2025	Report of Proceedings filed by Tracy Grott, OCR.	UNASSIGNED	
08/29/2025	Document #277041 (REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS) dated 8/29/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
08/25/2025	On the Court's own motion, the Zoom status review scheduled for noon on October 9, 2025 is vacated. Cause is now set for in person status review at the Cass County Courthouse on October 6, 2025 beginning at 1:00 p.m. The Petitioner may appear via Zoom if she so desires. Order Entered	HJH	
08/25/2025	Document #276778 (ORDER ENTERED) dated 8/25/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
08/21/2025	Motion for Additional Time to File Financial Affidavit filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
08/21/2025	Petitioner present via zoom. Respondent present via zoom. Cause comes on for Status/Review. Hearing held in Adams County Courthouse in CR1A. Discovery requests to be filed by September 18, 2025 and parties shall respond to same within 28 days of receipt. Financial Affidavits to be filed by October 2, 2025. Unless good cause shown, if a party fails to file his/her Financial Affidavit, he/she will be barred from presenting such evidence at trial. Matter is set for Status/Review via Zoom at 12:00 p.m. on October 9, 2025. Order entered.	HJH	
08/21/2025	Document #276683 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 8/21/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
08/19/2025	Motion to Continue filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
08/19/2025	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
07/24/2025	Petitioner appears via zoom. Respondent does not appear. Cause comes on for hearing on Emergency Motions. Hearing held. Ruling is made regarding Emergency Motions. Petition for Indirect Civil Contempt is set for status on August 21, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. via zoom. Order Re: Emergency Motions entered.	HJH	
07/21/2025	Notice of Hearing filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
07/21/2025	Proof of Service/Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
07/18/2025	Petition For Indirect Civil Contempt filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
07/18/2025	[Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	

08/20/2024	Mandate received affirming decision.	UNASSIGNED	
05/14/2024	Order to pay Court Reporter Zoe Rosecrans entered.	TJW	
04/04/2024	Order to pay Court Reporter Nicole Kopec entered.	TJW	
04/03/2024	Order to pay Court Reporter Gina Feehan entered. Order to pay Court Reporter Kathryn Henseler entered.	TJW	
04/03/2024	Document #239436 (ORDER) dated 4/3/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #239435 (ORDER) dated 4/3/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
04/03/2024	Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
04/02/2024	Report Of Proceedings for September 20, 2023 Zoom Hearing filed by Gina L. Feehan, RPR, CSR.	UNASSIGNED	
04/01/2024	Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
02/27/2024	Request for Preparation of Record on Appeal filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
02/27/2024	Request for Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Request for Report of Proceedings - list of hearings 2022dc15.pdf filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
02/27/2024	A/R added with total of \$181.00. Credit of \$45.25 recorded on 01/22/2024. Account Status Report generated.	UNASSIGNED	
02/15/2024	Notice of Appeal with COS filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
02/02/2024	[Sealed]	TJW	
02/02/2024	Document #234220 (ORDER) dated 2/2/2024 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON NICKOLS, LORELEI THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
01/22/2024	APPLICATION FOR WAIVER OF COURT FEES (CIVIL) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/22/2024	Order On Application for Wavier of Court Fees entered.	HJH	
01/22/2024	Document #233398 (ORDER ON APPLICATION FOR WAVIER OF COURT FEES) dated 1/22/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A.	UNASSIGNED	
01/18/2024	Order from Final Pretrial Conference (December 29, 2023)entered nunc pro tunc to December 29, 2023. Order Re:Respondent's Pretrial Motions entered nunc pro tunc to January 11, 2024. Judgment for Dissolution of Marriage and Parenting Plan entered.	HJH	
01/18/2024	Document #233177 (ORDER) dated 1/18/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #233178 (ORDER) dated 1/18/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #233181 (JUDGMENT FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE) dated 1/18/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
01/11/2024	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se via zoom. GAL Allison Vawter present via zoom. Cause comes on for Bench Trial on All Remaining Issues. Hearing held. Arguments on Pretrial Motions heard. Respondent's Motion to Continue denied. Respondent's Motion in Limine to Exclude is granted.	HJH	

	 Respondent indicates he must exit hearing due to work related issues. Hearing proceeds without Respondent. On Motion of Petitioner, Court takes Judicial Notice of Final Report of GAL. GAL Allison Vawter sworn in to testify. Respondent's Motion to Bar Evidence of Dissipation is moot. Petitioner sworn in to testify. Mr. David Osmer sworn in to testify. Formal Order to follow. 		
01/10/2024	[Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
01/10/2024	Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/10/2024	Motion to Bar Evidence and Consideration of Issue--Dissipation filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/10/2024	Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/09/2024	[Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
01/08/2024	Motion For Judicial Notice #5 & Motion in Limine to Exclude Petitioner's Evidence (Appraisal) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/08/2024	Motion to Continue filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/02/2024	Final Report Of The Guardian Ad Litem (Updated) filed by VAWTER, ALISON.	UNASSIGNED	
12/28/2023	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
12/27/2023	Final Report Of Gal filed by VAWTER, ALISON. Attachments To Final Report filed by VAWTER, ALISON.	UNASSIGNED	
12/27/2023	[Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
12/18/2023	[Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
12/15/2023	Order Regarding Holiday Schedule entered. The deadline for filing of Pretrial Affidavits and GAL Report is extended to Wednesday, December 27, 2023. Order entered. 	HJH	
12/13/2023	On the Court's own Motion, the status hearing scheduled for December 18, 2023 is vacated. Hearing is continued to December 29, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.. Order entered. 	UNASSIGNED	
12/12/2023	[Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
12/08/2023	[Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
12/08/2023	Motion for Extension of Time with COS filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/08/2023	By agreement, the time for presentation of a proposed agreed order regarding holiday parenting time is extended to December 14, 2023. Order entered. 	HJH	
12/01/2023	Order Re: December 1, 2023 Review/Status Hearing entered. 	HJH	

11/29/2023	[Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
11/20/2023	[Sealed]	TJW	
11/13/2023	[Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
11/03/2023	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. GAL Vawter present. All parties appear via zoom. Cause comes on for Case Management Conference. Hearing held. Cause is set to December 1, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. for Review/Status hearing via zoom. Order Updating Parental Responsibilities entered.	HJH	
11/03/2023	Document #215988 (ORDER) dated 11/3/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
10/23/2023	Verified Notice Of Filing For Completion Of Record filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Notice-Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Notice-Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Notice - Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/20/2023	Motion to Deem Facts Admitted re 4-29-2023 RTA filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/20/2023	Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/18/2023	Motion for Judicial Notice #4 re ADA filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion for Judicial Notice re School & Removal of GAL filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/18/2023	Exhibit A filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Exhibit B filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/12/2023	[Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
09/25/2023	Respondent's Motion For Judicial Notice #3 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/25/2023	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
09/20/2023	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. GAL Vawter present. All parties present via zoom. Cause comes on for status and scheduling. Ms. Malinda Vogel shall provide reports to the GAL in sufficient time to provide a final GAL report to the Court well in advance of trial. The Court will not entertain any emergency motions or petitions without the availability of the findings and recommendations of the court appointed experts. On the Court's own motion, paragraph 13 of the Emergency Order entered on or about May 20, 2023 is modified to allow electronic communications with the parties minor children. The Respondent's recently filed Motions for Judicial Notice will be considered and ruled upon at trial. Order entered. All Pretrial Motions and Pretrial Affidavits shall be filed by December 15, 2023. Pretrial Conference is set for December 18, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. via zoom. All remaining issues are set for Trial/hearing on January 11 and 12, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Domestic Relations Hearing Scheduling Order entered.	HJH	
09/19/2023	Motion for Judicial Notice #2 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/18/2023	Motion for Judicial Notice #1 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/13/2023	Case continued to September 20, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. for Status hearing via Zoom. Order entered.	HJH	
09/13/2023	Document #211710 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 9/13/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	

09/08/2023	Case set to September 13, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. for Status hearing via Zoom. Order entered.	HJH	
09/08/2023	Document #211370 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 9/8/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
09/07/2023	Supplement To Petition For Expedited Temporary Relief filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplemental Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplemental Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplemental Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
08/29/2023	Petition For Temporary Relief filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
08/01/2023	Document #207854 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 8/1/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
07/31/2023	Trial dates of August 17 and 18, 2023 are hereby vacated for good cause. Cause is set to September 7, 2023 at 12:30 p.m. for status hearing via zoom. Order entered.	HJH	
07/13/2023	Mandate received dismissing appeal per order.	UNASSIGNED	
06/22/2023	Document #204608 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 6/21/2023 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
06/21/2023	The Court having received an invoice attached hereto as Exhibit "A" from Court Reporter Shannon Nickamp, and finding that this is necessary for the Court, it is hereby Ordered that the Cass County Treasurer shall pay said invoice within 30 days of this Order. Order entered.	KDT	
06/20/2023	Report Of Proceedings October 21, 2022 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings November 15, 2022 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings December 22, 2022 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings January 27, 2023 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings February 3, 2023 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings March 28, 2023 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings April 28, 2023 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR.	UNASSIGNED	
06/08/2023	Order from Appellate Court dismissing appeal filed.	UNASSIGNED	
05/30/2023	Motion for Extension of Time filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
05/30/2023	Proof of Service/Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN. Proof of Service/Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
05/30/2023	Response filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
05/30/2023	Order Regarding Midwest Counseling Services entered. Motion for Extension of Time granted. Petitioner is granted an additional 14 days from this date to respond to the discovery requests. Pretrial date of August 4, 2023 is vacated. Order entered.	HJH	
05/30/2023	Document #202641 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/30/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	

	Document #202640 (ORDER) dated 5/30/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.		
05/24/2023	Motion for Substitution of Judge as a Matter of Right filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/24/2023	Respondent's Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge as a Matter of Right is hereby denied. Order entered.	HJH	
05/24/2023	Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/24/2023	Document #202364 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/24/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
05/23/2023	Emergency Order #2 entered.	HJH	
05/23/2023	Supplemental Information Provided Re Sangamon Co. 2023-op-938 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/23/2023	Emergency Notice of Appeal and Emergency Stay filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/22/2023	Emergency Order entered and impounded.	HJH	
05/15/2023	Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/15/2023	Upon the court's request and by agreement, the hearing dates of August 10-11, 2023 are hereby vacated. This matter shall instead be set for hearing on August 17-18, 2023. Order entered.	HJH	
05/15/2023	Document #201603 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/15/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
05/12/2023	Document #201292 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/12/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON NICKOLS, LORELEI THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #201297 (HEARING SCHEDULING ORDER) dated 5/12/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
05/12/2023	Emergency Motion filed by VAWTER, ALISON.	UNASSIGNED	
05/12/2023	Cause comes on for hearing on GAL's Emergency Motion. All parties, GAL and the Court appear via zoom. GAL's Emergency Motion granted. Order entered.	HJH	
05/12/2023	Document #201292 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/12/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
05/11/2023	Cause comes on for hearing on pending pleadings. All parties and the court appear via Zoom. State's (IDHS) Motion to Strike the Respondent's Motion for Joinder is granted for the reasons stated on record. Petitioner is ordered to immediately reimburse the Respondent for the cost to tow Respondent's vehicle from her driveway. Petitioner shall pay her share of the repair bill for the Respondent's vehicle. Any contempt finding shall be reserved. A transcript of this proceeding shall be made and filed with the costs to Cass County pursuant to previous Order.	HJH	

	Order entered. Domestic Relations Hearing Scheduling Order entered.		
05/08/2023	Petition for Rule to Show Cause filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Petition for Rule to Show Cause filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Petition for Rule to Show Cause filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/08/2023	Notice Of Hearing filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/02/2023	Document #199851 (ORDER) dated 5/2/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON NICKOLS, LORELEI THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
05/01/2023	Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/01/2023	Order regarding hearing held on April 28, 2023 entered. Respondent's Motion for Joinder filed March 10, 2023 and the IDHS Motion to Strike shall be heard on Thursday May 11, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. via zoom.	HJH	
04/28/2023	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for All Pending/Status. Hearing held. Respondent, Attorney L. Thomas hereby withdraws Subpoenas. Motion to Quash Subpoenas is hereby granted. Order entered. Attorney L. Thomas makes argument for Motion to Vacate Order (filed 3-6-23) Court hereby grants the Motion to Vacate. Ruling as to allocation of firearms to be reserved at final hearing. Attorney L. Thomas makes argument for Motion to Deem Facts Admitted (filed 3-3-23). Court hereby grants Motion to Deem Facts. Facts are deemed admitted. Attorney L. Thomas makes argument for Motion to Bar Evidence (filed 1-20-23). Court hereby Court allows Petitioner to respond by May 30, 2023. Attorney L. Thomas makes argument for Motion for Temporary Relief (filed 12-5-22). Respondent's Exhibit 1 is hereby admitted. Court hereby takes Motion for Temporary Relief under advisement. Attorney G. Thomas makes argument. Attorney L. Thomas makes argument for Petition for Indirect Civil Contempt (10-21-22 Order) (filed 3-23-23). (Court recesses 11:19 a.m.) (Court reconvenes 11:24) Court hereby denies Petition to Indirect Civil Contempt. Attorney G. Thomas makes argument Motion for Bifurcated Judgment of Dissolution (filed 11-22-23). Attorney L. Thomas makes argument. Court hereby grants Motion for Bifurcated Judgment of Dissolution. Court hereby Bifurcates & grants Judgment of Dissolution. Court finds grounds for Judgment of Dissolution. All Remainin issues to be addressed. Court hereby sets Zoom hearing for Motion for Joinder on May 11, 2023.	HJH	

	 Attorney G. Thomas addresses remaining issues. Court to be in contact with parties in regard to final hearings dates. Attorney G. Thomas to file Motions. (Formal Order to be submitted by Judge Henze). 		
04/20/2023	Supplemental To Motion To Bar Evidence filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
04/14/2023	Entry Of Appearance filed by NICKOLS, LORELEI.	UNASSIGNED	
04/14/2023	Motion to Strike Filed by IDHS filed by NICKOLS, LORELEI.	UNASSIGNED	
04/14/2023	Motion to Continue filed by NICKOLS, LORELEI.	UNASSIGNED	
04/14/2023	Proof of Service/Certificate of Service filed by NICKOLS, LORELEI.	UNASSIGNED	
04/14/2023	Document #198813 (MOTION TO CONTINUE) dated 4/14/2023 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON NICKOLS, LORELEI THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
03/28/2023	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
03/28/2023	Mr. Thomas appears via Zoom. GAL Alison Vawter appears via Zoom. Ms.Thomas does not appear. Cause comes on for hearing on Petition for Order of Protection. Hearing held (Adams Co.) Petition is continued to April 28, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. for further hearing. Order on Petition for Order of Protection entered. 	HJH	
03/28/2023	Document #197280 (ORDER) dated 3/28/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
03/27/2023	All Pending Motion and Petitions are hereby set for hearing beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 28, 2023. On the Court's on motion, the Petitioner is granted ten days within which to file written responses or objections to all pending Motions and Petitions. On the Court's own motion, the Respondent's Motion for Leave to file Response to Petition for Dissolution of Marriage is granted. The Respondent's Response shall be filed in stanter. Order entered. 	HJH	
03/27/2023	Document #197058 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 3/27/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
03/27/2023	Notice of Hearing with COS filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
03/27/2023	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
03/23/2023	Petition for Indirect Civil Contempt re Disposal of Earned Income without Approval filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
03/23/2023	Attachment: Order - No Disposal Of Earned Income 10-21-22 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
03/10/2023	Motion to Quash Subpoena filed. 	UNASSIGNED	
03/10/2023	Motion for Joinder re Illinois Department of Human Services filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion for Joinder re Illinois Department of Human Services - Message to Sheriff Ohrn re Medicaid Fraud 9-14-2022.pdf filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion for Joinder re Illinois Department of Human Services - Logsdon Davidsmeier Check Held by GMT 10-13-2022.pdf filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion for Joinder re Illinois Department of Human Services - Thomas v Thomas Memorandum in Support of Determination as a Matter of Law --IDHS.pdf filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
03/08/2023	Motion to Quash Subpoena filed. 	UNASSIGNED	
03/08/2023	Cause is set to March 17, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. for telephonic Case Management Conference. Order entered. 	HJH	

03/08/2023	Document #195661 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 3/8/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
03/06/2023	Motion to Vacate Order With Alternative Relief Requested filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
03/06/2023	Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
03/03/2023	Motion To Address Classification Of Funds filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
03/03/2023	Notice of Interlocutory Appeal filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
03/03/2023	Motion To Deem Facts Admitted filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion to Deem Facts Admitted filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
03/03/2023	The Honorable Jerry J. Hooker hereby recuses himself from the cause. Cause is referred to the Chief Judge for re-assignment. Court vacates March 3, 2023 hearing. Order entered.	JJH	
03/03/2023	Document #195395 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 3/3/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
03/03/2023	The Honorable Holly J. Henze is assigned to hear this case through completion. Order for Reassignment of Judge entered.	JFM	
03/03/2023	Document #195453 (ORDER) dated 3/3/2023 emailed to: HOOKER, JERRY J THOMAS, LUKE A VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
02/28/2023	Verified Notice of Suit and Completion of Record filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
02/28/2023	Verified Notice Of Suit And Completion Of Record - Text Re Federal Complaint To Judge From Gmt filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Verified Notice Of Suit And Completion Of Record - Osmer, John D. Ltr 2-19-2023 filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Verified Notice Of Suit And Completion Of Record - Osmer, David & Georgeanne Ltr. 2-26-2023 filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Verified Notice Of Suit And Completion Of Record - Email Chain Regarding Fed Complaint filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Verified Notice Of Suit And Completion Of Record - Federal Complaint Ecf Downloaded From Cour filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
02/27/2023	Motion for Hearing Setting on Pending Motions and Summary of Pending Motions filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
02/27/2023	Summary Of Pending Motions filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
02/27/2023	Subpoena - Issued filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
02/16/2023	Petitioner present by phone. Respondent present by phone. Cause comes on for Status. Hearing held. Status Hearing Order entered.	JJH	
02/16/2023	Document #194186 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 2/16/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
02/06/2023	Order following previous hearing entered. Case Management Order entered.	JJH	
02/06/2023	Document #193246 (CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER) dated 2/6/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #193244 (ORDER) dated 2/6/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	

02/06/2023	MOTION FOR SPECIFIC FINDINGS OF FACT REGARDING DETERMINATION RESPONDENT IS NOT DISABLED filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
02/03/2023	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for Motion Hearing/Status. Hearing held. Court addresses requests made from previous order. Financial Affidavit filed by Petitioner. (Court Recesses 10:31 a.m.) (Court Reconvenes 10:42 a.m.) Court addresses Emergency Motion For Temporary Relief. Court hears argument & evidence given in regard to Motion Hearing. Group Exhibits 1 thru 10 admitted over objection. Gwendolyn M. Thomas, Petitioner, sworn in for Testimony. (Court Recesses 11:59 a.m.) (Court Reconvenes 12:59 a.m.) Gwendolyn M. Thomas, Petitioner, recalled for Testimony. Georgianne Osmer, Petitioner's Mother, sworn in for Testimony. Based upon the arguments of counsel & evidence, Emergency Motion for Temporary Relief is hereby denied. Cause is continued for Conference Call to February 7, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. Formal Order is to follow. (NO WRITTEN ORDER ENTERED) 	JJH	
02/01/2023	Memorandum In Support Of Determination As A Matter Of Law filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/30/2023	The court directs the parties to obtain all requested information on the following Order. Order entered. 	JJH	
01/30/2023	Document #192512 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 1/30/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
01/27/2023	Memorandum Re Radon Reports filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/27/2023	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for Motion/status hearing. Hearing held. Atty. Alison Vawter, GAL for all 4 children, sworn in for testimony. Cause is continued to February 3, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. for status hearing. ORDER ENTERED. 	JJH	
01/27/2023	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
01/27/2023	Document #192474 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 1/27/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
01/26/2023	[Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
01/20/2023	Subpoena - to Issue filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/20/2023	Subpoena - Return filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/20/2023	Motion to Bar Evidence and Testimony with COS filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/19/2023	Motion To Pay Filing Fees filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/17/2023	Motion to Compel #2 re Request for Document Production filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	

01/13/2023	Motion to Compel re First Set of Interrogatories filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/12/2023	Plaintiff present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for CMC via phone. Hearing held. Cause set January 27, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. for Motion hearing. Order entered.	JJH	
01/12/2023	Document #191672 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 1/12/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
01/10/2023	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED	
01/09/2023	Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
01/09/2023	Motion for Temporary Relief filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/22/2022	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for Motion for Substitution of Judge. Hearing held. Based upon arguments, Court does not find basis to grant Motion for Substitution by Matter of Cause. Motion is hereby denied. Cause is continued generally for scheduling. Order entered.	CHB	
12/20/2022	Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/19/2022	Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/16/2022	Cause is set for hearing on the Respondent's Motion for Substitution of Judge on December 22, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. before the Honorable Charles H.W. Burch at the Cass County Courthouse. Order Setting Hearing entered.	CHB	
12/16/2022	Document #189452 (ORDER SETTING HEARING) dated 12/16/2022 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
12/15/2022	Certificate of Service re LAT's Request for Document Production filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/15/2022	Notice of Scrivener's Error re Discovery Certificates of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/15/2022	Certificate Of Service Re Second Set Of Supp 29-30 filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Certificate Of Service Re Third Set Of Matrimonial Interrogatories filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Certificate Of Service Re Respondent's First Set Of Matrimonial Interrogatories filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/15/2022	Notice of Filing re Lis Pendens with Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Notice Of Filing Re Lis Pendens With Certificate Of Service Lis filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/13/2022	The Honorable Charles H. W. Burch is assigned to hear the motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause against Jerry J. Hooker. Order for Hearing on Motion for Substitution entered.	JFM	
12/13/2022	Document #189008 (ORDER) dated 12/13/2022 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
12/12/2022	Notice of Hearing for December 16 Hearing filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/12/2022	Motion to Appoint Attorney for Minor Children filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion to Reconsider with Proof of Service Incorporated filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/06/2022	Subpoena Duces Tecum filed by Gwendolyn M. Thomas.	UNASSIGNED	
12/05/2022	Motion For Substitution Of Judge filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/05/2022	Motion to Address Conflicts filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion for Temporary Relief filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/28/2022	Notice of Hearing filed by petitioner. Certificate of Service filed by petitioner.	UNASSIGNED	
11/22/2022	Motion For Leave To File Response To Petition For Dissolution filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	

11/22/2022	Response To Petition For Dissolution Of Marriage filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/22/2022	Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/22/2022	Motion for Sale of Firearms filed by Gwendolyn M. Thomas. Motion for Bifurcated Judgment of Dissolution of Marriage filed by Gwendolyn M. Thomas.	UNASSIGNED	
11/18/2022	Parties present by phone. Cause comes on for conference call. Hearing held. Order entered.	JJH	
11/18/2022	Document #187102 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 11/18/2022 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
11/15/2022	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for status hearing. Hearing held. Cause is continued to November 30, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. for conference call regarding status. Cause is set for status hearing on December 16, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Order entered.	JJH	
10/21/2022	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Based on the evidence heard in 22-OP-66, Protective Order is entered in this case. Emergency Order in 22-OP-66 is vacated. Plenary Petition remains pending. Parenting time is established. Court appoints Alison Vawter as GAL. Cause is continued to November 15, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. for status. Order entered.	JJH	
10/18/2022	Alias Summons returned showing service and filed.	UNASSIGNED	
10/17/2022	Alias Summons issued to the Cass County Sheriff for service.	UNASSIGNED	
10/13/2022	The Honorable Jerry J. Hooker is hereby assigned to hear this case through completion. Order for Reassignment of Judge entered.	JFM	
10/13/2022	Document #184060 (ORDER) dated 10/13/2022 emailed to: HOOKER, JERRY J THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED	
10/11/2022	Summons returned not served and filed.	UNASSIGNED	
10/03/2022	Notice of Change of Electronic Mailing Address w Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED	
09/20/2022	Cause is set for Status/Case Management Conference on September 30, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. Case Management Order entered.	RBT	
09/19/2022	The Honorable Timothy J. Wessel and the Honorable Kevin D. Tippey having recused themselves, it is hereby Ordered as follows: The Honorable Roger B. Thomson is assigned to hear this case through to completion. Order for Reassignment of Judge entered.	JFM	

09/19/2022	Document #171881 (ORDER) dated 9/19/2022 emailed to: THOMSON, ROGER B.	UNASSIGNED	
09/14/2022	Summons issued and returned to Petitioner service.	UNASSIGNED	
09/13/2022	The Honorable Timothy J. Wessel and the Honorable Kevin D. Tippey hereby recuse themselves from hearing any proceedings in regard to this matter. This matter is referred to the Honorable Frank McCartney, Chief Judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, for reassignment. Order of Recusal entered.	TJW	
09/12/2022	Petition for Dissolution of Marriage filed. Notice of Confidential Information within Court filing filed. Payment of \$306.00 posted on 09/12/2022.	UNASSIGNED	

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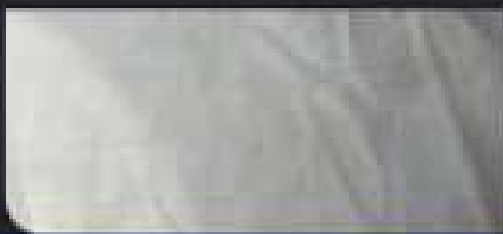
available?

I am really at a loss why you would think I am trying to play games or ever be accused of it.

I am working on the emergency supply now.

Luke-Judge Henze wants to see the order. The copy you have sent me is not a full one. Neither is the one page of your petition that you sent me. The pages are cut off and I am missing pages.

3:48 PM



Grant's after care plan and discharge crisis summary from Lincoln Prairie.

I spoke to the pharmacist at Walgreens on MacArthur. The prescription was for 15 tablets one time. I am contacting the nurse at Lincoln Prairie to have a script called in. I will keep you apprised.

I was unaware Judge Henz was involved. I am willing to communicate directly with her if that is preferable. I do not want anything to get lost in translation.

I think the Judge wants to see the order. I will advise her of

Calls and notifications will vibrate

Text message

was involved. I am willing to communicate directly with her if that is preferable. I do not want anything to get lost in translation.

I think the Judge wants to see the order. I will advise her of your request.

Please send me the order.

I think it stands to reason that she wants a copy of the order for inclusion in the Court file?

I was at the home when

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1 for an emergency order of protection. She gave me a hearing
2 date. After that hearing -- Or she refused to go to an
3 evidentiary hearing on that because she thought it would effect
4 co-parenting. And we proceeded as such. Now we were talking
5 about the incident in May, the kidnapping charges, or
6 allegations, that Miss Thomas claimed that she had sought the
7 Amber alert against me after giving me permission to have my
8 son. Judge Henze had -- The Guardian Ad Litem was a Saturday.
9 Even offered to talk to Judge Henze. Judge Henze was aware of
10 the emergency order of protection entered in Sangamon County and
11 refused to talk to me about it, entered an order and with no
12 notice. And again, that was -- I think there was a hearing in
13 April. Without bending over backwards, we had three hearings
14 without notice. And then I had my parental rights taken away
15 without notice. And the reason I bring it up is she
16 acknowledges on the record that I was permitted to go camping,
17 that they were false. Then I get no hearing. Just everything
18 is put off. And I keep being told I'm going to have a hearing.
19 I filed a motion to continue in advance of the trial to try to
20 present. I can't get a hearing date. I e-mailed. Won't be a
21 hearing date. I'm forced to beg for money. I asked for money
22 when an emergency situation comes up prior to trial. I had no
23 money. I'm living with my son, making \$570.00 every two weeks.
24 I'm asking for money to be able to participate in the court

1 proceedings. And she won't even respond to the e-mail. She
2 responds to me after court, telling me that her order speaks for
3 itself and I can appeal it. Those are the kinds of treatments.

4 I'm an officer of the court. I have never done
5 anything to any of these folks. And I don't know why it's so
6 hard to give me the same equal treatment that they -- They are
7 setting hearings for her without any notice to me. They proceed
8 to hearing whether I was there or not. I try to get the same
9 courtesy. I don't even get it. The writing is on the wall.

10 All the evidence that we want to come in has been stopped time
11 and time again by Judge Henze, never allowing me to go to
12 hearing, always pushing off court, point blank trying to
13 intimidate me when there is no record. That's why there is no
14 record in this case, Your Honor, and it's very intimidating
15 because she is very rude. At this point I really haven't had
16 much say. When I tried to question the case earlier on about
17 the Guardian Ad Litem, I just wanted to ask her questions about
18 the extent of her examination. She said I'm not doing that, not
19 questioning the Guardian Ad Litem. I asked for ex parte
20 communications to be shared with me. That's denied. It's
21 obvious that they are communicating about me and me allegedly
22 kidnapping my son. That's so ridiculous. Excuse me. But to do
23 that and then not even give me the courtesy of a hearing -- She
24 bent over backwards to have hearing stopped and have trial. And

1 this is all my business, every asset I have, in a two hour zoom
2 hearing that there is no records reported.

3 I note today for the trial we are in Cass County
4 courtroom. On the day of trial we were in Adams County, and we
5 had technical difficulties on it, and Judge Wessel's personal
6 zoom hearing for the trial that took a little more than two
7 hours, and it was all done through the testimony of (inaudible).
8 How in the world could that even be remotely considered
9 impartial? So that -- I really -- I hope to God that you take
10 this motion and the consequences of it and the total unfairness
11 has soured me on that so much that to be treated the way I have
12 been treated --

13 THE COURT: Okay.

14 MR. THOMAS: I said -- You can read the whole court file,
15 every correspondence, everything. I have been nothing but
16 polite and respectful. I respect the Court, the position that
17 Judge Henze holds. I don't know why those same courtesies
18 haven't been extended to me when they are extended time and time
19 again and beyond violating the notice provisions in favor of one
20 party and the other party doesn't get the same courtesy. I
21 think it's just overwhelmingly clear, Judge, that substitution
22 needs --

23 THE COURT: Okay. Anything else?

24 MR. THOMAS: No. Thank you.

1 THE COURT: All right. Miss Thomas, do you have any
2 questions of him? He is under oath, if you want to ask him
3 questions as it relates to the motion.

4 MS. THOMAS: No.

5 THE COURT: Okay. Miss Thomas, do you wish to be heard?

6 MS. THOMAS: I do, Your Honor. With regards to the motion
7 that has been filed, and then, of course, the testimony of
8 Mr. Thomas, he makes a lot of allegations, a lot of statements,
9 all of which are unsubstantiated. And the things that he has
10 mentioned are things that he is alleging to have occurred during
11 the course of the dissolution proceedings.

12 After the entry of a judgment of dissolution of
13 marriage, he subsequently appealed the decision to the appellate
14 court. The appellate court entered an opinion that was filed on
15 July 15, 2024 that affirmed the trial court's decision. And in
16 his appeal, respondent did attempt to allege that his due
17 process rights were violated by Judge Henze.

18 The appellate court in its ruling did not buy his
19 argument. In fact, what was stated on page 8, paragraph 21, of
20 the opinion that was filed by the appellate court was that the
21 appellate court finds no proof Judge Hooker or Judge Henze were
22 biased or partial. Respondent has not proved he was denied due
23 process. And that is important because not only has he had one
24 bite of the apple by making those allegations to the appellate

1 court, which were denied, he is once again trying to get a
2 second bite of the apple simply because apparently he is not a
3 fan of Judge Henze.

4 And I will state for the record and as an officer of
5 the court that Judge Henze has been nothing but professional
6 throughout this proceedings. And that's coming from someone
7 that I don't necessarily agree with all of her rulings. But
8 she's been professional, and she has shown absolutely no bias
9 towards either of us throughout this proceedings. And the
10 appellate court, obviously, found that as well.

11 THE COURT: Hold on. Miss Thomas, anything else?

12 MS. THOMAS: Just one second.

13 THE COURT: Sure.

14 MS. THOMAS: So not only is Mr. Thomas indicating that
15 Judge Henze is so biased, what he fails to allege are specific
16 allegations because the trial court judges are presumed to be
17 impartial, and it is the burden on him as the challenging party
18 to overcome the presumption of the Court's impartiality. And
19 that has to be done by setting forth specific articulable facts
20 of bias, and that has not been done. And it certainly hasn't
21 been done with regards to the entire circuit. So even if the
22 Court were to find that Judge Henze was so biased against
23 respondent that she should be removed from the case, there has
24 been no factual evidence presented that every single judge in

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28 October 2025

Honorable J. Frank McCartney
100 East Washington Street
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Sent electronically to: jfmccartney@hotmail.com

**Re: *In re Marriage of Thomas*, No. 2022-DC-15 (Cass County); Motion to Reconsider;
Motion for Disclosure of Ex-Parte Communications(Rule 2.9).**

Dear Judge McCartney,

I have attached a courtesy copy of my Motion to Reconsider as filed with the Cass County Circuit Clerk on October 27, 2025. I have also included a courtesy copy of the Motion to Disclose Ex-Parte communications that was filed on October 6, 2025.

At this juncture, I do not require oral argument on the Motion to Reconsider so as to expedite the matter procedurally. As previously raised, I have not been allowed to see my daughters since asking for ADA accommodations in August. With the Court's most recent order that sets the matter for status in December, I wish to expedite appellate review in the event you deny the Motion to Reconsider.

To the extent you require oral arguments, I would ask that the court provide the parties with 2-3 dates for hearing.

As to the Motion to Disclose Ex-Parte Communications, I believe the Court has the authority and obligation to rule on this without delay.

A copy of this communication has been submitted for filing so that the record is complete. A copy of this communication and enclosures have also been provided to Petitioner in accordance with Rule.

Luke A. Thomas

Attorney at Law | Peoria, Illinois

Hon. J. Frank McCartney

October 28, 2025

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Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Thomas', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Luke A. Thomas

ARDC No: 6278591

CC: Cass Co. Circuit Clerk
Petitioner

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS, CASS COUNTY, ILLINOIS

GWENDOLYN M. THOMAS

Petitioner,

vs.

LUKE A. THOMAS,

Respondent.

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No. 2022-DC-15

**RESPONDENT'S MOTION TO COMPEL DISCLOSURE OF ALL EX-PARTE
COMMUNICATIONS AND TO PROHIBIT FUTURE EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS**

NOW COMES the Respondent, LUKE A. THOMAS, pro se, and respectfully moves this Honorable Court for an order compelling the disclosure of all ex parte communications and prohibiting such communications in the future. In support, the Respondent states as follows:

INTRODUCTION

1. The Respondent's fundamental right to due process has been repeatedly violated by a pattern of off-the-record, ex parte communications between the presiding judge, the Petitioner, the Guardian ad Litem (GAL), and other judicial officers.
2. These communications have directly resulted in adverse, summary rulings against the Respondent without notice or a meaningful opportunity to be heard. This pattern has been compounded by the Court's explicit refusal to grant the Respondent's formal request to require that all such communications be made part of the official record.
3. This motion is necessary to cure the prejudice the Respondent has suffered, to ensure the integrity of the judicial process going forward, and to create a complete and accurate record for review.

ARGUMENT

I. The Court Has a Non-Discretionary Duty to Disclose Ex Parte Communications.

4. Illinois Supreme Court Rule 2.9(A) strictly prohibits a judge from initiating, permitting, or considering ex parte communications concerning a pending proceeding. The rule exists to ensure that decisions are based solely on the evidence and arguments made in open court, with all parties present.
5. When an ex-parte communication does occur, the judge has an affirmative duty under Rule 2.9(A)(2) to promptly notify all other parties of its substance and allow them an opportunity to respond.
6. The presiding judge, the Honorable Holly J. Henze, is aware of this duty. In an email dated **January 19, 2024**, after receiving an ex-parte communication from the Respondent, Judge Henze correctly forwarded the email to the Petitioner and the GAL, stating, *"I have an ethical obligation to ensure there are no ex-parte communications."*
7. Despite this acknowledgment, the record is devoid of any similar disclosures of communications initiated by the Petitioner or the GAL, even where such communications are documented to have occurred.

II. The Record Contains Direct Evidence of Prejudicial Ex-Parte Communications.

8. The Respondent is not acting on mere suspicion. The record contains direct, documented evidence of improper communications that have resulted in significant harm.
 - a. **The "Kidnapping" Allegation (May 2023):** On **May 19, 2023**, the GAL sent an "Urgent" email to the Court that began, *"I have conferred with Judge Henze..."* This ex parte conference, the substance of which was never disclosed, led directly to an ex parte order severely restricting the Respondent's parenting time based on the Petitioner's false allegation that he had "kidnapped" their son.

- b. Further citation to the record of additional instances of undisclosed ex-parte communications, either by direct example or where it is likely to have occurred, would be too voluminous to include in the body of this Motion. Ex-parte communications and off-the-record administration was overwhelmingly the norm through trial and appears to have continued post-trial as well. For purposes of preserving the issue, Respondent incorporates the trial court record and supplements thereto as part of this Motion.

III. The Court Has Actively Resisted Transparency.

9. The pattern of non-disclosure appears to be intentional. On **August 13, 2025**, the Respondent made a formal request for ADA accommodations. One of the specific accommodations requested was that all court-related communications be filed and made part of the official record to ensure transparency.
10. In a letter dated **August 22, 2025**, Judge Henze summarily **denied** this specific request, providing no reason for her decision. This refusal to ensure a transparent record, especially in light of the documented history of ex-parte communications and lack of record despite repeated requests that all matters be heard on the record is itself evidence of prejudice and creates an undeniable appearance of impropriety.

CONCLUSION

The integrity of this case has been compromised. Decisions have been made based on secret communications, and the Court has actively refused to implement a procedure that would guarantee transparency. The Respondent is entitled to know the substance of all communications that have influenced the rulings in his case.

WHEREFORE, the Respondent, Luke A. Thomas, respectfully prays that this Honorable Court enter an order:

A. Requiring the presiding judge to place into the record the substance of all oral, ex-parte communications she has had with the parties, the GAL, or other judicial officers regarding this case;

B. Requiring the presiding judge to place into the record the substance of all oral ex parte communications she or any other judge assigned to this case has had with the parties, the GAL, or other judicial officers regarding this case;

C. Requiring the presiding judge to place into the record complete, true-and-correct copies of all emails, text messages, or other written or electronic communication capable of being reproduced that the judge or any other judge assigned to this case has had with the parties, the Gal, or other judicial officers regarding this case;

D. Strictly prohibiting any and all future ex-parte communications between the Court and any party or agent of the Court;

E. Recusing herself this case upon making the aforesaid, required disclosures; and

F. Granting such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

LUKE A. THOMAS, Respondent

By:

/s/ Luke A. Thomas

Luke A. Thomas
ARDC #: 6278591

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Luke A. Thomas, an attorney at law duly licensed to practice in the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that I served a copy of the RESPONDENT'S MOTION TO COMPEL DISCLOSURE OF ALL EX-PARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND TO PROHIBIT FUTURE EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS as set forth herein upon Petitioner at her respective electronic mailing address of record.

Gwendolyn M. Thomas: gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com

Signed this 6th day of October, 2025.

LUKE A. THOMAS, Respondent
BY: /s/ Luke A. Thomas

Luke A. Thomas, Respondent

ARDC #: 6278591

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS, CASS COUNTY, ILLINOIS

GWENDOLYN M. THOMAS	)	
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Petitioner,	)	
	)	
Vs.	)	No. 2022-DC-15
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LUKE A. THOMAS,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

RESPONDENT'S MOTION TO RECONSIDER ORDER OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

NOW COMES the Respondent, LUKE A. THOMAS, pro se, and pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-1203, respectfully moves this Honorable Court to reconsider and vacate its Order entered on September 25, 2025. In support, the Respondent states as follows:

INTRODUCTION

1. On September 25, 2025, this Court entered a summary, handwritten order denying the Respondent's "Motion for Administrative Order of Clarification and Determination" and his "Third Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause" for "reasons set forth on the record."
2. This Motion to Reconsider is brought to bring to the Court's attention its misapplication of controlling legal principles and its oversight of dispositive facts and procedural requirements. Specifically, the Court erred by (a) improperly applying the doctrine of *res judicata* to bar claims of ongoing judicial prejudice and void jurisdictional orders; (b) failing to apply the correct legal standard to an unrebutted, affidavit-supported motion for substitution; and (c) disregarding the threshold jurisdictional issue of its own authority to preside.

ARGUMENT

I. The Court Erred in its Application of *Res Judicata* to Foundational Jurisdictional and Due Process Violations.

3. During the hearing, the Court reasoned that the allegations in the Respondent's motions—including the Petitioner's false "kidnapping" allegation and the resulting ex parte communications—were barred by the doctrine of *res judicata* because the events occurred prior to a previous appeal. This was a fundamental misapplication of the law.
4. The doctrine of *res judicata* bars the re-litigation of *claims* that were or could have been decided in a prior adjudication. It does not, however, create a procedural shield that allows a court to ignore **void jurisdictional orders**, un rebutted allegations of **criminal conduct by a party**, or the fact that a **presiding judge has become a material witness** to the events in question.
5. The Respondent's "Motion for Administrative Order" raised a present and ongoing jurisdictional defect: that the order appointing this Court was entered by a recused judge and is therefore void. A void order can be attacked at any time, in any court, and is not subject to a *res judicata* defense. There is no statute, case, or rule that supports the proposition that a court can knowingly operate under a void order simply because a prior appeal has concluded.
6. Similarly, the court ignored the un rebutted allegation that the Petitioner made a false report of kidnapping—a criminal act—to manipulate the proceedings. This allegation was later acknowledged as false on the record by Judge Henze herself. The Court's suggestion that it is barred from considering this evidence of profound bad faith is without legal basis.

II. The Court Failed to Apply the Proper Legal Standard to the Unrebutted Motion for Substitution.

7. The Respondent's "Third Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause" was supported by a detailed, sworn affidavit containing numerous specific factual allegations of prejudice, as required by 735 ILCS 5/2-1001(a)(3). These allegations included the fact that Judge Henze engaged in, and failed to disclose, ex parte communications, making her a necessary witness in any proceeding to determine the substance and impact of those communications.
8. Neither the Petitioner nor the presiding judge, the Honorable Holly J. Henze, filed a counter-affidavit to rebut any of the factual allegations contained in the Respondent's sworn affidavit.
9. Under well-established Illinois law, when a legally sufficient motion for substitution for cause is filed and its sworn factual allegations are not controverted, the court hearing the motion **must take those allegations as true** for the purpose of the motion.
10. By summarily denying the motion, the Court failed to apply this mandatory legal standard. It improperly disregarded the uncontroverted sworn facts presented in the affidavit, including the unrebutted evidence that Judge Henze is a material witness to the prejudicial ex parte communications that have tainted these proceedings.

III. Evidence of Bias Continues after this Court's Ruling on the Third Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge.

11. Despite being advised of the egregious nature of Petitioner's use of visitation as a weapon to prevent presentation of the issues pending and the discriminatory nature of the same, Judge Henze set the matter for "status" in December.

12. Core to the Motion and consisting of the most basic of rights, Judge Henze has refused to disclose ex-parte communications as required by the Rules of Professional Conduct, despite having a Motion pending since October 6th. No delay or hearing is necessary, as the Court can and must rule on the Motion on its own.

13. The continued refusal to address Petitioner's conduct has only emboldened her. Petitioner's alcoholism and abusive conduct, including the risk it poses to the parties's minor children has repeatedly been sidestepped by Judge Henze; As has been experienced heretofore, the undersigned verily believes that Judge Henze will prevent prompt hearing and or presentation of the most recent issue—Petitioner failed to return home to the parties' daughters on October 24, 2025, and, instead, went drinking. The minor children were not informed of Petitioner's whereabouts and had no adult supervision until after 9:00 p.m—Petitioner finally informed them she had been in a crash and would probably lose her job due to intoxication.

14. The Court's Order of September 25, 2025, was the result of a clear misapplication of fundamental legal principles. By improperly invoking *res judicata* and failing to apply the correct standard to an un rebutted motion, the Court overlooked dispositive issues of law and fact. The Respondent respectfully requests that the Court correct these errors.

WHEREFORE, the Respondent, Luke A. Thomas, respectfully prays that this Honorable Court:

A. Grant this Motion to Reconsider;

B. Vacate its Order of September 25, 2025, in its entirety;

C. Enter an order granting the Respondent's "Motion for Administrative Order of Clarification and Determination" and referring the matter to the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts for proper assignment;

D. In the alternative, enter an order granting the Respondent's "Third Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause"; and

E. Grant such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

LUKE A. THOMAS, Respondent

By:

/s/ Luke A. Thomas

Luke A. Thomas
ARDC #: 6278591

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Luke A. Thomas, an attorney at law duly licensed to practice in the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that I served a copy of the MOTION TO RECONSIDER as set forth herein upon Petitioner at her respective electronic mailing address of record.

Gwendolyn M. Thomas: gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com

Signed this 26th day of October, 2025.

LUKE A. THOMAS, Respondent

BY:

/s/ Luke A. Thomas

Luke A. Thomas, Respondent

ARDC #: 6278591

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Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Follow up

5 messages

Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>
To: Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyl.gov>

Tue, Jan 16, 2024 at 8:16 PM

Judge,

I am just following up on my recent email. Grant is registered and is supposed to start school on January 22nd. Additionally, he has an Echo TTE scheduled for Friday for which I am supposed to attend.

Please advise.

Thank you.

Luke Thomas

Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyl.gov>
To: Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Tue, Jan 16, 2024 at 8:18 PM

You should plan to keep any scheduled appointments. I should have the order completed tomorrow or Thursday.

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From: Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 8:16:41 PM
To: Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyl.gov>
Subject: Follow up

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Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>
To: Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyl.gov>

Tue, Jan 16, 2024 at 8:20 PM

Thank you for the prompt response. I appreciate it very much.

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Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyl.gov>
To: Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>, "gwentomaslaw@gmail.com" <gwentomaslaw@gmail.com>, Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Wed, Jan 17, 2024 at 8:53 AM

In order to comply with the reporting requirements of any ex parte communication, I am forwarding this email to all parties.

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From: Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 8:20:26 PM
To: Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyl.gov>
Subject: Re: Follow up

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Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>

Wed, Jan 17, 2024 at 9:32 AM

To: Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>, "gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com" <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>, Luke

Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Thanks, Judge.

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1 have the funds to do it, to go get anything bigger. I
2 don't know this is going to be long-term. We're just
3 trying this.

4 MR. THOMAS: No, I agree, Judge.

5 THE COURT: This is just a trial period. But I don't
6 know what else to do. And you -- my concern in the past
7 has been your attention to Grant's healthcare needs: His
8 diabetes, his ADD, his suicide attempt, his mental health
9 needs. You're in a location where you have the best
10 doctors in the world.

11 MR. THOMAS: That would be my very first intent before
12 enrolling him in school or anything is to have a full
13 evaluation and get their recommendations on what he needs
14 for school if on-site is something that needs to be done,
15 or they do have a full high school here that's only online.
16 So if that's something that they recommend, but I'm going
17 to be relying heavily on his providers' recommendations.
18 I'll get him an appointment with psychiatry and they'll do
19 a full workup buying there and the nephrology department to
20 have his kidney function tested and, plus, his
21 endocrinologist and the counseling. So I think he'll get
22 everything he needs and it'll be readily available for him.
23 So I'm excited for him.

24 THE COURT: One way or the other, we've got to get him

1 out of the community he's living in.

2 MS. THOMAS: What I would like to consider,
3 I -- I honestly, I don't think living with Grant is in his
4 best interest. I think that Grant's behavior over the past
5 year, especially the communications that he has had with
6 Grant, despite your court order telling him he's not to
7 have communication with Grant has created in large part
8 this problem.

9 THE COURT: Well, okay. Gwen, with all due respect, I
10 entered that order based on my -- the information that I
11 had at the time that he had basically kidnapped Grant and
12 then I find out that that's not the case, you guys had a
13 camping trip planned, you had given them permission to do
14 that.

15 MS. THOMAS: No, we didn't.

16 THE COURT: I'm telling you, based on the information
17 I had at the time and then, it didn't change until later I
18 got different information. So that -- the fact that he
19 communicated -- and now, I'm not going to comment on the
20 contents of the communication, but the fact that he'd
21 started communicating with the kids after I learned, I have
22 no problem with. After I learned that this thing -- this
23 whole camping weekend was a huge fiasco and I'm going to
24 place blame right now, that's for the final hearing, but