

ADDENDUM TO INFORMED CONSENT

This addendum to informed consent is provided for individuals, families, or children who are required, recommended, or suggested to seek mental health treatment in connection with any court proceeding. Please read it carefully and indicate acceptance below with your signature and date. If any of these conditions are a cause for concern, you are encouraged to notify the therapist, who can provide you with additional referrals in this area.

Item 2: Confidentiality

In all cases of treatment, unless specifically ordered otherwise by the Court, each client, regardless of age, is entitled to confidentiality of what is shared with the therapist. Undersigned parties (parents), agree that it is the therapist's duty to maintain client confidences at all times. The mere fact that two (or more) parents have legal issues pending in a court of law does not in any way change the confidentiality that exists between minor and therapist.

Further, parents agree to:

- Not ask for specific details surrounding therapeutic content.
- Not make requests of therapist that sessions focus on a specific topic.
- Participate in information and observation collection as requested.

Item 3: Speaking / Corresponding with Court-Related Individuals

I will generally not provide records or testimony unless compelled to do so. Should I be subpoenaed or ordered by a court of law to appear as a witness in an action involving Patient, Patient agrees to reimburse me for any time spent for preparation, travel, or other time in which I have made myself available for such an appearance. Written updates regarding treatment progress will be provided on a frequency determined by the court. Parents agree to receive identical copies of this report, and agree not

to make any material requests for inclusion or exclusion of information. Further, parents agree that the report shall also be furnished to minor's counsel when present. In the event that the minor is not represented by counsel, reports will be delivered directly by chamber fax to the judge presiding over any proceedings involving the minor. Copies of these reports will be provided to parents and presiding judges only. This therapist will not provide copies to either parents' legal representative. Each parent accepts sole responsibility for what s/he chooses to do with the information provided.

Item 4: Collection of Fees

Fees will generally be billed to and collected from both parents, unless the Court orders otherwise. Receipts and invoices are gladly provided to the payor parent, or to the court on request. A valid, major credit card is required to be on file with this therapist. Payor will be notified of any irregular or unexpected charges as soon as possible before payment is required.

Item 4B: Court-Related Fees

Court-related expenses are listed below:

Regularly scheduled court reports: Require an advanced fee deposit of \$7,500 at least two weeks in advance.

Time spent reviewing Court orders, emails, reviewing other court-related documents, communicating with clients outside of regularly scheduled sessions, phone calls (including phone or in-person communication with collaterals, Minor's Counsel, evaluators, and/or other professionals) and travel time will be billed at an increased hourly rate (in three-minute increments) as indicated below:

Court-Related Communication/Appearance: \$650/hour

Half-Day Testimony: \$4,500 advanced fee deposit at least two weeks before the appearance

Full-Day Testimony: \$8,500 advanced fee deposit at least two weeks before the appearance

*Fees for testimony include time preparing in advance for the hearing and, when

necessary, travel time to/from the hearing.

By signing below, each parent indicates that they have read and agree to the terms outlined in the above agreement, and that these terms are conditions of treatment.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

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