

AGREEMENT FOR TRIAL BY REFERENCE PURSUANT TO R.C. §2701.10

1. (Plaintiff/Petitioner)_____ and
(Defendant/Respondent/Petitioner)_____
(collectively, *the Parties*) do hereby agree that Case No. _____ in the Court of
Common Pleas of Franklin County, Ohio, Division of Domestic Relations and Juvenile Branch, be referred
to retired Judge _____ in accordance with Ohio Revised Code §2701.10.
2. This Agreement between the above listed parties and _____
_____ is entered into on this _____ day of _____, 20_____.
3. The retired Judge shall receive evidence and render a decision in this case as to the following:
 uncontested trial of the above listed case in its entirety, or
 trial of the above listed action in its entirety, or
 resolution of the following question of fact or law in the above listed action, specifically:
_____.
4. All hearings in this matter shall proceed according to the existing rules of civil /juvenile procedure, juvenile,
rules of evidence, and local rules enacted by the Franklin County Domestic Relations and Juvenile Court.
5. All matters referred to the retired Judge shall be scheduled for a date certain and a proper *Motion for Referral,
Agreed Entry*, and this *Agreement* will be filed with the Court at least 14 days prior to that date.
6. The Parties shall provide all forms, pleadings, and affidavits to the retired Judge at least 10 days prior to the
hearing to allow for adequate review of those documents.
7. The decision rendered shall be appealable to the Court of Appeals or other court of competent jurisdiction.
8. The Parties agree that the retired Judge will be make an electronic recording of all proceedings in accordance with
the Court’s local rules, which will constitute the official record of the hearing.
9. The Parties agree to pay all costs for facilities, equipment, and personnel reasonably deemed necessary by the
retired Judge during her/his consideration of the action or proceeding referred. (attach an additional sheet if necessary)
10. As compensation for the services provided by the retired Judge, the parties hereto agree to pay the fee of
\$_____, or an hourly rate of \$_____, plus all reasonable expenses incurred incident to the
conduct of the proceedings. Payment of all amounts due and owing to the retired Judge for her/his services
shall be made: _____.
11. If any different or additional terms or conditions are desired by the parties hereto and the retired Judge, the
same will be appended hereto and signed by the parties and the retired Judge.
12. This agreement may be terminated prior to completion of the referred matter by either party as follows:
_____(if
this is left blank, any party may terminate via writing sent to all parties at any time prior to conclusion of the referred hearing
or trial, and all parties must comply with payment terms through date of termination)
13. This matter shall be set for hearing on _____ at _____:_____AM/PM. Any
continuances of the above date shall be completed on the Court’s own form and approved by the retired Judge
in advance, and a copy shall be filed (but not scheduled) with the Clerk of Courts in the appropriate Division.

Plaintiff/Petitioner (Signature)

Retired Judge (Print Name)

Defendant/Respondent/Petitioner (Signature)

Retired Judge (Signature)