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In the District Court of Utah

_____ Judicial District _____ County

Court Address _____

**Consent to Informal Trial and Waiver
of Rules of Evidence**

Petitioner

v.

Respondent

Case Number

Judge

Commissioner

(1) I have read and I understand Code of Judicial Administration Rule 4-904.

(2) I understand that I have the right to a formal trial at which the Rules of Evidence apply.

(3) I have discussed the informal trial process with my lawyer and I have told my lawyer all the details of my situation and all of the statements the other party might make about me whether true or not.

OR

I have decided not to discuss the process with a lawyer.

(4) I understand that by signing this document I consent to an informal trial and:

- the Rules of Evidence will not apply;
- I and the other party will be allowed to make any statement we wish to the judge;
- I and the other party will be allowed to present any document or other evidence to the judge;

- neither I nor my lawyer will be able to question the other party, but the judge may do so;
- neither the other party nor their lawyer will be able to question me, but the judge may do so;
- neither I nor my lawyer will be able to object to any statement or evidence of the other party;
- neither the other party nor their lawyer will be able to object to any statement or evidence of mine;
- the order entered by the judge after the informal trial will have the same force and effect as if entered after a formal trial; and
- my right of appeal is limited to grounds that do not rely upon the Utah Rules of Evidence.

(5) [] Understanding all of this, I knowingly and voluntarily consent to an informal trial of the issues identified in the motion and waive the application of the Rules of Evidence. No one has made any threats or promises for my agreement.

_____ Sign here ► _____
 Date
 Typed or Printed Name of Petitioner or Counsel _____

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 Date
 Typed or Printed Name of Respondent or Counsel _____

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 Date
 Typed or Printed Name of Counsel for ORS _____

_____ Sign here ► _____
 Date
 Typed or Printed Name of Counsel for Minor Child _____