

- (3) **The parental duties performed by each party on behalf of the child.** – *What have you historically done in raising the child(ren), cooking, cleaning, homework, transportation, doctor’s appointments, parent teacher conferences, discipline, etc. What did the other party typically handle?*
- (4) **The need for stability and continuity in the child's education, family life and community life.** – *Why are you in the position to provide the most stability for the child(ren)? Is there anything that may case in to question the other party’s ability to provide stability?*
- (5) **The availability of extended family.** – *Where do the child(ren)’s maternal extended family live? Paternal Family? How often does the child(ren) see your family? Do you assist the child(ren) in seeing the other parent’s extended family? How is your relationship with the opposing party’s family?*

- (6) **The child's sibling relationships.** – *Do any of the child(ren)'s siblings, half-siblings or step-siblings live with you? With the other party? What is the relationship between the children like?*
- (7) **The well-reasoned preference of the child(ren).** – *Does the child(ren) have a preference? If so, what is their preference? Why do you believe the child(ren) have that preference? Do you believe the preference is reasonable? Why or why not?*
- (8) **The attempts of a parent to turn the child against the other parent.** – *Has the other attempted to turn the child against you at all? What have they done? How do you know? Do you believe the other party may accuse you of this?*

- (9) **Which party is more likely to maintain a loving, stable, consistent and nurturing relationship with the child adequate for the child's emotional needs?** – *Why do you believe you're superiorly situated here? Are there any specific concerns regarding the other party?*
- (10) **Which party is more likely to attend to the daily physical, emotional, developmental, educational and special needs of the child?** - *Why do you believe you're superiorly situated here? Are there any specific concerns regarding the other party? Does the other party have any physical, mental or emotional disabilities that may interfere in their abilities?*
- (11) **The proximity of the residences of the parties.** – *How far apart do you and the other party live? How long does it take to travel that distance?*

- (12) **Each party's availability to care for the child or ability to make appropriate child-care arrangements.** – *How do/will you arrange for child care if/when you are unavailable? Will you enlist the other party to “babysit” when possible? Why or why not? Do you have any concerns about the other party’s ability to provide appropriate child care?*
- (13) **The level of conflict between the parties and the willingness and ability of the parties to cooperate with one another.** – *What is the relationship between you and the other party like? What causes tension? What have you done to improve the relationship? What things has the opposing party done to damage it?*
- (14) **The history of drug or alcohol abuse of a party or member of a party's household.** – *Has either party, or a member of their household struggled with drug and/or alcohol use? If so, what drugs? Do you anticipate they made claim you have such problems?*

(15) **The mental and physical condition of a party or member of a party's household.** – *Does anyone in your household have mental/physical disabilities? The opposing party's household? What impact do these have on the child(ren)?*

(16) **Any other relevant factors:**