

# Out-of-State Child Custody and Parenting Time Judgments

## Information on Registration and Enforcement

An Oregon court may enforce a judgment or order from another state if one parent is not following the provisions of the judgment or order and a party is located in Oregon. The preferred procedure for enforcement starts with registration of the out-of-state judgment in an Oregon Circuit Court. However, if your case involves emergency circumstances, you may file your enforcement papers immediately. In this case, it is recommended that you start the registration process at the same time you file your request for enforcement.

### 1. **Process for Registering an Out-of-State Judgment.**

#### A. File the following papers with the Circuit Court:

- A letter requesting registration and enforcement.
- Two copies (one must be certified) of the Out-of-State judgment or Order.
- A sworn statement that the order or judgment has not been modified and information regarding the custodial status of the child/ren.

#### B. Complete Service.

You must serve any parent or person acting as a parent who has been awarded custody, parenting time or visitation in the judgment that you are asking the court to register with the following documents:

- The attached Notice (informing them of the right to contest the registration),
- A true copy of the judgment or order you are registering, and
- A true copy of the affidavit you filled out above.

You may have the other party served by any mentally competent person, 18 or older and long as s/he lives in the state where the party is served, or the Sheriff's office or a process server. Your server must complete the Declaration of Service stating when and where the other party was served. The declaration is required to be filed with the court.

#### C. Confirmation of the Registered Order or Judgment.

Your registration is confirmed after 21 days have passed from the date of service if the party (or parties) served do not request a hearing. If no hearing was requested within the 21 day time period, fill out the Notice of Confirmation of Registration of Child Custody Determination and serve it to all parties that were served with the documents from part B above. If a hearing is requested, the court will hold a hearing to decide whether the registered order or judgment will be confirmed.

### 2. **Filing to Enforce the Judgment or Order.**

You may request the Circuit Court enforce the registered order or judgment by using either the custody or parenting time enforcement packets.

- For enforcement of PARENTING TIME (VISITATION), you may use the Enforcement of Oregon Parenting Time Order/Judgment forms available on the Washington County Circuit Court website:  
[http://courts.oregon.gov/Washington/Services/Family\\_Law/parenting\\_plan\\_enforcement.page?](http://courts.oregon.gov/Washington/Services/Family_Law/parenting_plan_enforcement.page?)
- For enforcement of CUSTODY, you may use the Enforcement of Oregon Custody Order/Judgment (Order of Assistance) or Enforcement of Out-of-State Custody Order/Judgment (Order of Assistance) forms available on the Washington County Circuit Court website:  
[http://courts.oregon.gov/Washington/Services/Family\\_Law/parenting\\_plan\\_enforcement.page?](http://courts.oregon.gov/Washington/Services/Family_Law/parenting_plan_enforcement.page?)