



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

YOUTH REPORT TO THE COURT

District Court Division in the County of Onslow, 4th District

In The Matter Of:

YOUTH'S NAME

D.O.B.

FILE NO.

CURRENT PLACEMENT:

TOTAL # OF HOME PLACEMENTS:

SCHOOL CHANGES:

PARENTS INVOLVED:

RELATIVES:

COURT ACTIVITY

Hearing Date:

Hearing Type:

Guardian ad Litem:

Attorney Advocate:

Date of Last Hearing:

Judge:

Continuances Since Last Hearing:

Petition Date:

ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING OTHER PARTIES

Mother's Attorney:

Father's Attorney:

DSS Attorney:

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RE: NAME IN CAPS FOLLOWED BY FILE NUMBER

MY HISTORY:

In this section you should talk about:

- Placements
- Length of time in system
- Health and Mental Health issues
- Educational goals to include need for tutorial assistance
- Employment Opportunities/Barriers

You should be very clear in your writing, be respectful and honest about your individual situation.

NEEDS:

In this section you may cite specific needs, such as clothing, personal expense funds, driver's license for work, etc. as appropriate and realistic

WISHES:

In this section, you may speak to what are reasonable, realistic and obtainable desires, such as more visits with siblings or grandparents; attend summer school to catch up a grade, or visiting resource through a friend's family; work opportunities and training.

(We can't ask the court to grant a paid trip to the rock concert in Miami Beach!)

PERMANENT PLAN:

You will need to think about where you want to be in the next 6 months; before you turn eighteen and again in 6 months after reaching the age of majority. What plan do you have that will provide you a safe and permanent home?

THE COURT NEEDS TO KNOW:

You may write short to the point statements about things you believe are important for the Judge to know about you, your family, and/or the system.

Example: I have been in three schools since January 2005.

I would like to spend the weekend at my friend's home.

My mother has serious drug problems.

I do not want to be adopted

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

In this section you may recommend that the court consider any special request or to order specific things that will address your needs or wishes.

1. Permanent Case Plan for Jamie Smith be changed from Adoption to Court Approved Caretaker.
2. Social Services arrange for weekly counseling sessions.
3. Social Services arrange for summer school
4. Social Services explore visiting resource for Jamie Smith at friend, Bobby Jamison' s home.

Youth Signature

Date Submitted



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District Court Division in the County of Duplin, 4th District

EXAMPLE #2

In The Matter Of:

YOUTH'S NAME

Baby Girl

D.O.B.

10/08/1988

FILE NO.

04-J-207

CURRENT PLACEMENT: Group Home

TOTAL # OF HOME PLACEMENTS: 2

SCHOOL CHANGES: 1

PARENTS INVOLVED: Yes

RELATIVES: Yes (not considered for placement)

COURT ACTIVITY

Hearing Date: 04/28/2005

Hearing Type: (Adjudication)

Guardian ad Litem: Andy Webb

Attorney Advocate: Isaac Cortes, Jr.

Date of Last Hearing: 02/24/2005 (Adjudication) **Judge:** Seaton

Continuances Since Last Hearing: 0

Petition Date: 02/01/2005 & 04/19/2005

ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING OTHER PARTIES

Mother's Attorney:

Thompson & More

Father's Attorney:

Thompson & More

DSS Attorney:

Melissa Blizzard

RE: BABY GIRL 04-J-207

MY HISTORY: DSS became involved in October of 2004. DSS Filed a petition on February 1, 2005 due to non-cooperation from my Father. The case was heard on March 21, 2005. On that date it was adjudicated that I had been neglected. I was removed from the home on April 19 2005, and was placed in Falcon Children's Home on April 20 2005, where I continue to reside.

I have been receiving therapy from Dian Winters since November of 2004. She discovered my depression in December of 2004 and recommended me to Dr. McCain, whom I saw later that month. Dr. McCain put me on Lexapro, a depression medication. I was later put on Trazidone because of insomnia. When I was attending Clinton High School I was a member of both the Marching Band and Softball team. Last summer I worked on a farm. My work included working with horses, in the hog houses, and the hay fields. I really, really enjoyed this job. This Summer I will be working At the Sagebrush Steak house in Dunn as a hostess. I am looking forward to this job, I think it will be a great opportunity and experience for me.

I believe the problem in my family was a mixture of things. Problem number one, a lack of communication or understanding of communication being given. Problem number two, inability of parents to properly discipline. Problem number three, emotional abuse from my parents (mainly Father) to me. Problem number four, extreme favoritism towards my younger sibling. Problem number five, rules where not clear. At home I didn't have a lot of "me" or friend time. I have been made out by my parents to be a bad kid. I've not been in trouble at either of the schools that I have attended, nor have I given the children's home a lot of trouble. My grades are very good, however my parents never think they are good enough. I don't cause trouble, nor do I instigate others to cause trouble. When I was getting beaten up on the bus, I did not fight back.

NEEDS: In order for me to go back home successfully I need my Father to be open to therapy and Admit that I'm not the only one in the wrong in this situation. I need him to be familiar with proper disciplinary actions, and the things that he does that may make matters worse. I myself need to stay in therapy with Mrs. Winters because she has helped work through tough situations and see the other sides to different situations. I need her to continue to be there to help me with things that may come up in the future. I as well need to continue seeing Dr. McCain so that I can stay on my medication that has helped me feel better and deal with situations better.

WISHES: I do wish to eventually move back home with my parents, however I don't see that happening in the very near future. I wish to stay with either Mrs. Howel, my Uncle Benny, or my Granny until I can move back home.

PERMANENT PLAN: To Go Back home, This may take anywhere from 3 months to a year. However long it takes my father to not only go to therapy but to openly accept therapy. I don't think it would be a good idea to send me home until the whole family is mentally prepared. Our therapists could give you a good idea of what stage of being prepared each of us are in. If I am

placed back home and a family member is not prepared for that then the placement would disrupt and the time would be wasted, the process would have to begin again.

THE COURT NEEDS TO KNOW:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That I be allowed to live with either Mrs. Sue Howel or my uncle, Benny Smith.
2. That I remain in counseling with Mrs. Winters.
3. That my Father Stay in counseling.
4. We begin Family counseling.
5. All Overnight family visits be approved my Dian Winters.

Youth Signature

Date Submitted