

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW  
FORM 12.947(a),  
MOTION FOR TEMPORARY SUPPORT, TIME-SHARING, AND OTHER  
RELIEF WITH DEPENDENT OR MINOR CHILD(REN) (11/15)**

**When should this form be used?**

This form may be used by:

(1) The **respondent** or the **petitioner** in a pending **dissolution of marriage** action. For you to use this form, a **petition** for dissolution of marriage must have already been filed. You should use this form to ask the court to award any of the following: temporary use of assets; temporary exclusive use of the marital home; temporary responsibility for liabilities/debts; temporary spousal support (**alimony**); temporary time-sharing schedule with minor child(ren); temporary **child support**; and other relief.

**OR**

(2) The petitioner in a pending action for support unconnected with dissolution. For you to use this form, a petition for support unconnected with dissolution of marriage must have already been filed. You should use this form to ask the court to award temporary spousal support (alimony) and/or temporary child support.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. After completing this form, you should **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where the petition for dissolution of marriage was filed and keep a copy for your records.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING E-FILING**

The Florida Rules of Judicial Administration now require that all petitions, pleadings, and documents be filed electronically except in certain circumstances. **Self-represented litigants may file petitions or other pleadings or documents electronically; however, they are not required to do so.** If you choose to file your pleadings or other documents electronically, you must do so in accordance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.525, and you must follow the procedures of the judicial circuit in which you file. **The rules and procedures should be carefully read and followed.**

**What should I do next?**

A copy of this form, along with all of the other forms required with this motion, must be mailed, e-mailed or hand delivered to the other party in your case. When you have filed all of the required forms, you are ready to set a **hearing** on your motion. You should check with the clerk, **family law intake staff**, or **judicial assistant** for information on the local procedure for scheduling a hearing. When you know the date and time of your hearing, you should notify the other party using a **Notice of Hearing (General)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.923, or other appropriate notice of hearing form.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING E-SERVICE ELECTION**

After the initial service of process of the petition or supplemental petition by the Sheriff or certified

process server, the Florida Rules of Judicial Administration now require that all documents required or permitted to be served on the other party must be served by electronic mail (e-mail) except in certain circumstances. **You must strictly comply with the format requirements set forth in the Rules of Judicial Administration.** If you elect to participate in electronic service, which means serving or receiving pleadings by electronic mail (e-mail), or through the Florida Courts E-Filing Portal, you **must** review Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.516. You may find this rule at [www.flcourts.org](http://www.flcourts.org) through the link to the Rules of Judicial Administration provided under either Family Law Forms: Getting Started, or Rules of Court in the A-Z Topical Index.

**SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANTS MAY SERVE DOCUMENTS BY E-MAIL; HOWEVER, THEY ARE NOT REQUIRED TO DO SO.** If a self-represented litigant elects to serve and receive documents by e-mail, the procedures must always be followed once the initial election is made.

To serve and receive documents by e-mail, you must designate your e-mail addresses by using the **Designation of Current Mailing and E-mail Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915, and you must provide your e-mail address on each form on which your signature appears. Please **CAREFULLY** read the rules and instructions for: **Certificate of Service (General)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.914; **Designation of Current Mailing and E-mail Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915; and Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.516.

### **Where can I look for more information?**

**Before proceeding, you should read General Information for Self-Represented Litigants found at the beginning of these forms.** Words in **bold underline** in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see chapter 61, Florida Statutes, rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, and rule 1.610, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure.

### **Special notes**

If you use paragraph 1.c. of this form to ask the court to enter a temporary injunction, the court may require you to post a **bond**.

With this form you must also file the following, if not already filed:

- **Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act (UCCJEA) Affidavit**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(d), if this case involves a minor or dependent child(ren).
- **Notice of Social Security Number**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(j).
- **Child Support Guidelines Worksheet**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(e), if you are asking that temporary child support be ordered. (If you do not know the other party's income, you may file this worksheet as soon as a copy of his or her financial affidavit has been served on you.)

The parties seeking relief shall serve a financial affidavit (Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902 (b) or (c)) and certificate of compliance (Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.932) with the notice of hearing on the motion for temporary support and time-sharing.

**Parenting Plan...** If you have reached an agreement on either a temporary Parenting Plan or time-sharing schedule, either one of the following proposed temporary Parenting Plans or a time-sharing schedule,

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signed by both parties, should be filed. **Parenting Plan**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.995(a), **Safety-Focused Parenting Plan**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.995(b), or **Relocation/Long Distance**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.995(c). If you have **not** reached an agreement, a proposed Parenting Plan or temporary time-sharing schedule may be filed for consideration by the Court.

**Temporary Order...** These family law forms contain a **Temporary Order for Support, Time-Sharing, and Other Relief with Dependent or Minor Child(ren)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.947(b), which the judge may use. You should check with the clerk, family law intake staff, or judicial assistant to see if you need to bring it with you to the hearing. If so, you should type or print the heading, including the circuit, county, case number, division, and the parties' names, and leave the rest blank for the judge to complete at your hearing.

**Nonlawyer...** Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900 (a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE \_\_\_\_\_ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,  
IN AND FOR \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Division: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Petitioner,

and

\_\_\_\_\_  
Respondent,

**MOTION FOR TEMPORARY SUPPORT, TIME-SHARING, AND OTHER  
RELIEF WITH DEPENDENT OR MINOR CHILD(REN)**

The \_\_\_\_ Petitioner \_\_\_\_ Respondent requests that the Court enter an order granting the following temporary support:

*{Complete all that apply}*

**1. Assets and Liabilities.**

a. \_\_\_\_ **Award temporary exclusive use and possession of the marital home.** *{address}*

\_\_\_\_\_  
The Court should do this because: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_ **Award temporary use and possession of marital assets.** *{Specify, without giving account numbers}*

\_\_\_\_\_  
The Court should do this because: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

c. \_\_\_\_ **Enter a temporary injunction** prohibiting the parties from disposing of any marital assets, other than ordinary and usual expenses. *{Explain}* \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
The Court should do this because: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

d. \_\_\_\_ **Require temporary payment of specific marital debts.** *{Explain without using account numbers}* \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The Court should do this because: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Child(ren).**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Enter a temporary Parenting Plan with a time-sharing schedule for the parties' minor child(ren).

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Enter a temporary injunction prohibiting the parties from permanently removing the child(ren) from the jurisdiction of the Court.

The Court should do this because: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**3. Support.**

a. \_\_\_\_\_ Award temporary child support of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month.

b. \_\_\_\_\_ Award temporary spousal support/alimony of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month.

The Court should do this because: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4. Attorney's fees and costs.**

a. \_\_\_\_\_ Award temporary attorney's fees of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

b. \_\_\_\_\_ Award temporary costs of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

The Court should do this because: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. **Other Relief.** *{specify}* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. A completed Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act (UCCJEA) Affidavit, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(d), is filed with this motion or has already been filed with the Court.

7. A completed Notice of Social Security Number, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.902(j), is filed with this motion or has already been filed with the Court.

8. I request that the Court hold a hearing on this matter and grant the relief specifically requested and any other relief this Court may deem just and proper.

I certify that a copy of this document was ( ) mailed ( ) faxed and mailed ( ) e-mailed ( ) hand-delivered to the person(s) listed below on {date} \_\_\_\_\_.

**Other party or his/her attorney:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Designated E-mail Address(es): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Party

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Designated E-mail Address(es): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:**

[fill in **all** blanks] This form was prepared for the: {choose only **one**} ( ) Petitioner ( ) Respondent

This form was completed with the assistance of:

{name of individual } \_\_\_\_\_,

{name of business} \_\_\_\_\_,

{address} \_\_\_\_\_,

{city} \_\_\_\_\_, {state} \_\_\_\_\_, {zip code} \_\_\_\_\_, {telephone number} \_\_\_\_\_.