

**JUDICIAL ALTERNATIVES OF OHIO, INC.**  
**AGREEMENT FOR TRIAL BY REFERENCE**  
**UNCONTESTED DOMESTIC CASES**

This agreement between \_\_\_\_\_ petitioner, and \_\_\_\_\_, petitioner, and Judicial Alternatives of Ohio, 1507 Hiner Road, Orient, Ohio 43146 is entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

The parties hereto agree as follows: Judicial Alternatives of Ohio, Inc. agrees to provide **Judge Donald A. Cox** on \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ at \_\_\_:\_\_\_ AM/PM for a final hearing in the case of Case No. \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Common Pleas Court, \_\_\_\_\_, Ohio.

1. The matter is to be referred in its entirety for final hearings and is to be tried, determined, and adjudicated by the retired private judge.

2. The trial of this matter shall proceed according to the existing rules of civil procedure, rules of evidence, and any local rules enacted by the \_\_\_\_\_ County Common Pleas Court. The parties must agree that the decision rendered shall be fully appealable to the Court of Appeals of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Ohio and enforceable in \_\_\_\_\_ County Common Pleas Court.

3. As compensation for the services provided in paragraphs one and two, the parties shall pay to **Judicial Alternatives of Ohio, Inc. a flat fee of one-hundred eighty five dollars (\$185.00)**. The parties shall pay the **fee two weeks in advance of the hearing**. The parties agree to provide and assume the costs of facilities, equipment, and personnel needed by the retired private judge.

4. The parties agree that there shall be no continuances of the trial date except by agreement and for good cause shown. Judicial Alternatives reserves the right to charge for continuances.

5. The parties agree that an electronic recording will be made by the private retired judge which will constitute the official record of the hearing. ( no charge)


6. All documents submitted to the court must **also be submitted to the retired Private Judge** via email or fax as soon as possible but no later than seven (7) days before the hearing or hearing will not take place.

7. This agreement is entered into pursuant to Section 2701.10 of the Ohio Revised code.

8. All hearings conducted in accordance with procedures effective Feb 5 2013. Copy available on request.

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First Petitioner

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Second Petitioner

  
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Judge Donald A. Cox