

**In the Court of Common Pleas of Franklin County  
Division of Domestic Relations and Juvenile Branch**

In the Matter of:

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name:

Child's Address:

Date of Birth:

**Complaint for Shelter Care Hearing**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being first sworn, allege that I have knowledge, information, and belief that the child/ren of \_\_\_\_\_ (mother's name) currently residing at \_\_\_\_\_ (if unknown, so state) in \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (name/relationship) currently residing at \_\_\_\_\_ (if unknown, so state) in \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ (name of other parent/relationship) currently residing at \_\_\_\_\_ (if unknown, so state) in \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of \_\_\_\_\_ appear to be: *(check all the boxes below that apply):*

- Neglected child/ren as defined in RC § 2151.03, that is:
  - Who is abandoned by his parents, guardian, or custodian;
  - Who lacks proper parental care because of the faults or habits of his parents, guardian or custodian;
  - Whose parents, guardian, or custodian neglects or refuses to provide with proper or necessary subsistence, education, medical or surgical care, or other care necessary for his health, morals, or well-being;
  - Whose parents, guardian, or custodian neglects or refuses to provide the special care made necessary by his mental condition.
- Abused child/ren as defined in RC § 2151.03.1, that is:
  - Is the victim of "sexual activity" as defined under RC Chapter 2907 where such activity would constitute an offense under that chapter, except that

the court need not find that any person has been convicted under that section in order to find that the child is an abused child;

Is endangered as defined in RC § 2919.22, except that the court need not find that any person has been convicted under that section in order to find that the child is an abused child;

Exhibits evidence of any physical or mental injury or death, inflicted other than by accidental means, or an injury or death which is at variance with the history given of it;

Because of the acts or omissions of his parents, guardian, or custodian, suffers physical or mental injury that harms or threatens the child's health or welfare.

Dependent child/ren as defined in RC § 2151.04, that is:

Who is homeless or destitute or without proper care or support, through no fault of his parents, guardian, or custodian;

Who lacks proper care or support by reason of the mental or physical condition of his parents, guardian, or custodian;

Whose condition or environment is such as to warrant the state, in the interests of the child, in assuming his guardianship;

To whom both of the following apply:

(1) He is residing in a household in which a parent, guardian, custodian, or other member of the household has abused or neglected a sibling of the child;

(2) Because of the circumstances surrounding the abuse or neglect of the sibling and the other conditions in the household of the child, the child is in danger of being abused or neglected by that parent, guardian, custodian, or member of the household.

The particular facts upon which these allegations are based are:

Complainant therefore prays this Court to inquire into the alleged neglect, abuse or dependency of said child/ren, and grant a disposition of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, or, alternatively, grant a disposition of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and make such other order as the Court deems necessary as provided by law.

AFFIANT

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence by the said [\_\_\_\_\_], this [Date].

[Seal]

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