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INVITATION TO COMMENT

SPR16-17

Title	Action Requested
Family Law: Child Support Forms; Uniform Interstate Family Support Act	Review and submit comments by June 14, 2016
Proposed Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes Amend Cal. Rules of Court, rule 5.324; adopt forms FL-590, FL-592, and FL-594; revise forms FL-510, FL-515, FL-520, FL-560, FL-570, FL-575; revoke form FL-511	Proposed Effective Date January 1, 2017
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Executive Summary and Origin

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee proposes revising six Judicial Council forms and amending one of the California Rules of Court to accurately reflect updated code references, revoking one form in its entirety, and adopting three new Judicial Council forms. These changes are required by modifications to the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (Sen. Bill 646 [Jackson]), which was chaptered in October 2015 as Family Code sections 5700.101–5700.905. (Stats. 215, ch. 493, § 5.)

Background

The Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (UIFSA) provides universal and uniform rules for the enforcement of family support orders. UIFSA represents a collaborative effort among the Uniform Law Commission (“ULC”), federal and state child support officials, and representatives of national child support organizations.

In 2008, the ULC approved amendments to UIFSA to incorporate the provisions of the Convention on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance concluded at The Hague on November 23, 2007 (“the Convention”). The Convention contains numerous provisions that establish uniform procedures for the processing of international child support cases.

The proposals have not been approved by the Judicial Council and are not intended to represent the views of the council, its Rules and Projects Committee, or its Policy Coordination and Liaison Committee. These proposals are circulated for comment purposes only.

In 2014, section 666(f) of Title 42 of the United States Code required all states to adopt and have in effect the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, including any amendments officially adopted by the National Council of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws as of September 30, 2008. California adopted these changes in 2015 as Family Code sections 5700.101–5700.905. The proposed rule and forms changes are required to conform to these statutory changes.

The Proposal

Code references on six forms and one rule would be revised to reflect the new sections of the Family Code per the UIFSA conversion chart. The committee recommends the following specific changes:

- Revise form FL-510 to replace the reference to Family Code section 4925 with section 5700.311
- Revise form FL-515 to replace the reference to Family Code section 4925 with section 5700.311
- Revise form FL-520 to replace the reference to Family Code section 4925 with section 5700.311
- Amend rule 5.324 to replace the reference to Family Code section 4930 with section 5700.316
- Revise form FL-570 to replace the reference to Family Code section 4952 with section 5700.603
- Revise form FL-570 to replace the reference to Family Code section 4954 with section 5700.605
- Revise form FL-575 to replace the reference to Family Code section 4955 with section 5700.606
- Revise form FL-575 to replace the reference to Family Code section 4956 with section 5700.607
- Revise form FL-560 to replace the reference to Family Code section 5001 with section 17404.2

Additionally, the proposal would:

- Revoke Judicial Council form FL-511, *Ex Parte Application for Order for Nondisclosure of Address and Order (UIFSA)* which was needed under former Family Code sections 4926 and 4977. Section 4926 has been recodified as section 5700.312 and now provides for a nonjudicial, nondisclosure process, thus removing the need for form FL-511.
- Adopt *UIFSA Child Support Order Jurisdictional Attachment* (form FL-590) to make assumption or loss of continuing exclusive jurisdiction a standard order in California. This will simplify the process and improve clarity when these forms are sent out of state. UIFSA is built on the principle of continuing, exclusive jurisdiction, where the state issuing the order retains jurisdiction to modify a child support order unless and until a certain set of conditions applies. The proposed form lays out each of those conditions to

allow courts to identify when jurisdiction is shifting or being retained. This will improve usability for private litigants seeking to modify their orders and also make California orders more easily read by other states. UIFSA requires a state assuming jurisdiction to provide notice and a copy of the resulting order to the original issuing state.

- Adopt *Request for Hearing Regarding Registration of a Convention Support Order* (form FL-592) which lists the appropriate defenses for the convention support order, thereby minimizing confusion on the part of the obligors.
- Adopt *Notice of Registration of a Convention Support Order-Family* (form FL-594) as it clearly delineates the timeframes within which one may contest the validity or enforcement of a registered order, and provides the necessary next steps towards contesting the convention support order.

The process set out for registration of a convention support order under Family Code sections 5700.706–5700.708 is distinct from the process to register an out-of-state or non-Convention foreign support order under Family Code sections 5700.605-5700.608. The defenses to registration and timeframe to file a contest are expanded for those cases under the convention. The committee recommends utilization of separate forms for this registration and contest process, to reduce confusion for parties regarding the available defenses and timeframes for each kind of order. The United States is not yet party to the 2007 Hague Convention, so Article VII (Fam. Code, §§ 5700.701–713) is not available for use until that time. Standalone forms would lead to less confusion regarding that delay.

Alternatives Considered

Not making these changes is not a feasible alternative. Failure to make the modifications to the forms would result in California being out of compliance with the federal mandates and suffering adverse fiscal impacts. Moreover, without the updated code references, litigants using the forms could be confused by the obsolete citations. Failure to adopt the new forms would result in litigants not providing all the information they are required to report to the court.

The committee also reviewed new Family Code section 17404.3, which replaced Family Code section 5003 regarding telephonic and other remote appearances. That statute was amended to reflect the change in statute numbering under UIFSA by referring to section 5700.316 rather than the previous reference to section 4930. While it could be read to require courts to permit hearings by telephone, audiovisual means or other electronic means,¹ it has not been substantially changed from section 5003. Rather, the language of Family Code section 4930(f) was simply moved into new Family Code section 5700.316.

¹ Hearings by telephone, audiovisual means, or other electronic means shall be permitted in child support cases in which the local child support agency is providing child support services. The Judicial Council shall adopt court rules implementing this provision and subdivision (f) of Section 5700.316 on or before January 1, 2017

The committee reviewed the language in rule 5.324 of the California Rules of Court and concluded that the rules previously adopted by the Judicial Council regarding telephonic appearances are sufficient if amended to reflect the new code section reference. While rule 5.324 does not allow telephonic or other remote appearances in all cases, it provides substantial due process protections and presumably met the previous code requirements. Thus, the committee recommends that only the required technical changes be made to the rule regarding telephonic and other remote appearances at this time. The committee will consider substantive changes to the rule as part of a future proposal that would address remote appearances in all family law matters.

Implementation Requirements, Costs, and Operational Impacts

The committee does not anticipate that this proposal will result in any costs to the branch other than the one-time cost of implementing the forms, nor does the committee anticipate any requirements for implementation—or fiscal or operational impacts on the courts. Courts do not commonly make multiple copies of these forms. Providing the guidance set forth in the forms regarding the interstate requirements is intended to save time.

Request for Specific Comments

In addition to comments on the proposal as a whole, the advisory committee is interested in comments on the following:

- Are there specific changes that would improve the forms in this proposal? (If so, please specify the individual form and the particular recommended changes.)
- Does the proposal appropriately address the stated purpose?
- What is the impact of this proposal on low- and moderate-income persons?

The advisory committee also seeks comments from *courts* on the following cost and implementation matters:

- Would the proposal provide cost savings? If so please quantify.
- What would the implementation requirements be for courts—for example, training staff (please identify position and expected hours of training), revising processes and procedures (please describe), changing docket codes in case management systems, or modifying case management systems?
- Would two months from Judicial Council approval of this proposal until its effective date provide sufficient time for implementation?
- How well would this proposal work in courts of different sizes?

Attachments and Links

1. Cal. Rules of Court, rule 5.324, at page 6
2. Forms FL-510, FL-511, FL-515, FL-520, FL-560, FL-570, FL-575, FL-590, FL-592, and FL-594 at pages 7–26
3. Senate Bill 646:
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB646
4. UIFSA Conversion Chart at pages 27–30
5. Convention Support Order Contest section 707 and Recognition and Enforcement of Registered Convention Support Order section 708, at pages 31–33

1 **Title 5. Family and Juvenile Rules**

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3 **Division 1. Family Rules**

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5 **Chapter 10. Government Child Support Cases (Title IV-D Support Cases)**

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8 **Rule 5.324. Telephone appearance in title IV-D hearings and conferences**

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10 **(a)–(c) * * ***

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12 **(d) Exceptions**

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14 A telephone appearance is not permitted for any of the following except as
15 permitted by Family Code section 5700.3164930:

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17 (1) Contested trials, contempt hearings, orders of examination, and any matters
18 in which the party or witness has been subpoenaed to appear in person; and
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20 (2) Any hearing or conference for which the court, in its discretion on a case-by-
21 case basis, decides that a personal appearance would materially assist in a
22 determination of the proceeding or in resolution of the case.

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24 **(e)–(k) * * ***

SUMMONS

NOTICE AND WARNING TO RESPONDENT (AVISO Y ADVERTENCIA AL ACUSADO O A LA ACUSADA):

YOU ARE BEING SUED. THE LAWSUIT CLAIMS YOU ARE THE PARENT OF CHILDREN NAMED IN THE *UNIFORM SUPPORT PETITION*. THE LAWSUIT ALSO SAYS YOU MUST PAY CHILD SUPPORT.

SE HA PRESENTADO UNA DEMANDA JUDICIAL EN SU CONTRA. EN LA DEMANDA SE ALEGA QUE USTED ES EL PADRE/LA MADRE DEL (DE LOS) HIJO(S) NOMBRADO(S) EN LA PETICIÓN UNIFORME DE SUSTENTO (UNIFORM SUPPORT PETITION). LA DEMANDA INDICA TAMBIÉN QUE USTED DEBE PAGAR POR EL SUSTENTO DE DICHO(S) HIJO(S).

FOR COURT USE ONLY (SOLO PARA USO DE LA CORTE)

DRAFT

NOT APPROVED BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

YOU CAN OPPOSE THE LAWSUIT. IF YOU DON'T, THE COURT MAY FIND THAT YOU ARE THE PARENT AND ORDER YOU TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT, WHICH MAY BE TAKEN FROM YOUR PAY OR YOUR PROPERTY.

USTED PUEDE Oponerse a la demanda. Si no lo hace, la corte podrá determinar que usted es el padre/la madre y ordenarle que haga pagos de sustento, los cuales podrán deducirse de su sueldo o de otros bienes de su propiedad.

YOU CAN OPPOSE THE LAWSUIT BY DOING ALL OF THE FOLLOWING WITHIN 30 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER BEING SERVED WITH THIS SUMMONS AND UNIFORM SUPPORT PETITION:

CASE NUMBER: (Número del Caso)

USTED PUEDE Oponerse a la demanda al tomar todos los pasos siguientes dentro de los 30 días calendarios contados a partir de la fecha en que se le entregue esta citación judicial y petición uniforme de sustento:

1. If you did not receive the *Response to Uniform Support Petition* (form FL-520) with the summons, you can get one from the court's family law facilitator's office or from the California Courts website at www.courts.ca.gov. Fill out, sign, and date the form.
Si no recibió , junto con la citación judicial, el formulario de respuesta (formulario FL-520), titulado en inglés Response to Uniform Support Petition (form FL-520), obtenga uno en la oficina del asistente de derecho familiar de la corte o en el sitio web de las Cortes de California en www.sucorte.ca.gov. Complete, firme y feche el formulario.
2. Have an adult other than yourself mail a copy of the response to the Petitioner, or Petitioner's attorney, and/or local child support agency at the following address(es):
Haga que otra persona adulta (que no sea usted), envíe por correo una copia de este formulario a la parte demandante, o al abogado de la parte demandante, y/o a la oficina de la agencia local de mantenimiento de hijos (local child support agency) en la dirección o direcciones siguiente(s):
3. The person who mailed the form must complete the proof of service on the back of the response.
La persona que envía el formulario por correo debe completar el comprobante de notificación (proof of service) impreso al dorso del formulario de respuesta.
4. File the response with the court at the following address:
Presente el formulario de respuesta ante la corte en la siguiente dirección:

**IF YOU WANT LEGAL ADVICE, CONTACT A LAWYER IMMEDIATELY.
SI DESEA CONSEJOS LEGALES, CONSULTE A UN ABOGADO DE INMEDIATO.**

[SEAL]	<p>NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED: You are served</p> <p>1. <input type="checkbox"/> As an individual.</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> On behalf of a minor child or children.</p> <p>3. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):</p> <p>Date (Fecha): _____</p> <p>Clerk, by _____, Deputy (Actuario) (Delegado)</p>
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GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY (under Family Code, §§ 17400, 17406) or ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (<i>Name, state bar number, and address</i>): (Party appearing without an attorney should enter in this space the same address listed in item 3, below.)	FOR COURT USE ONLY
TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO.: _____ ATTORNEY FOR (<i>Name</i>): _____	DRAFT NOT APPROVED BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF _____ STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER:	
EX PARTE APPLICATION FOR ORDER FOR NONDISCLOSURE OF ADDRESS AND ORDER	CASE NUMBER: _____

1. (*Name*): _____ applies for an order for nondisclosure of the address or other identifying information of (*name*): _____ in the pleadings and other documents to be filed in this action.

2. The local child support agency acting on behalf of (*name*): _____ applies for an order for nondisclosure of the address or other identifying information of (*name*): _____ in the pleadings and other documents to be filed in the UIFSA action.

3. The following is the mailing address for service of process on (*name*): _____

4. Facts in support of this application (*state facts that demonstrate that the health, safety, freedom of movement, or physical or emotional well-being of the applicant or the applicant's child may be unreasonably put at risk by the disclosure of the applicant's address or other identifying information*):
 contained in the attached declaration

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: _____

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

(SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT)

PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER:	CASE NUMBER:
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THE COURT FINDS:

5. The health, safety, or liberty of *(name)*: would be unreasonably put at risk by the disclosure of his or her address or other identifying information that may lead to his or her whereabouts.
6. The application is not sufficient to grant the requested relief.

THE COURT ORDERS:

7. The address or other identifying information that may lead to the whereabouts of *(name)*: shall not be disclosed in the pleadings or documents filed in this action.
8. The application is denied.
9. Other *(specify)*:

Date:

 JUDICIAL OFFICER

NOTE: Use of this ex parte application and order will require that the UIFSA petition in this matter be initiated in the California court in which this application is submitted pursuant to Family Code sections 4907 and 4918.

GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY (under Family Code, §§ 17400, 17406) or ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State bar number, and address): <hr/> TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO.: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional): _____ ATTORNEY FOR (Name): _____	FOR COURT USE ONLY <h2 style="margin: 0;">DRAFT</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">NOT APPROVED BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL</h3>
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER:	
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE (UIFSA) FOR <input type="checkbox"/> MODIFICATION <input type="checkbox"/> Child Support <input type="checkbox"/> Spousal Support <input type="checkbox"/> Parentage <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	CASE NUMBER:

1. TO (name):
2. YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR IN THIS COURT AS FOLLOWS TO GIVE ANY LEGAL REASON WHY THE ORDERS ASKED FOR IN THE ATTACHED DOCUMENTS SHOULD NOT BE GRANTED.

a. Date:	Time:	<input type="checkbox"/> Dept.:	<input type="checkbox"/> Rm.:
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b. Address of court same as noted above other (specify):

3. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a blank *Responsive Declaration* (FL-320) *Response to Uniform Support Petition* (FL-520) and the following documents must be served with this order:
 - a. *Uniform Support Petition and General Testimony* (FL-500)
 - b. A blank *Income and Expense Declaration* (FL-150) or *Financial Statement (Simplified)* (FL-155)
 - c. *Affidavit in Support of Establishing Paternity* (FL-525/OMB 0970-0085)
 - d. Copy of existing support order from (specify):
 - e. Other (specify):

4. a. Time for service hearing is shortened. Service must be on or before (date):
Any responsive declaration must be served on or before (date):
- b. You are ordered to comply with the temporary orders attached.
- c. Other (specify):

Date:

JUDICIAL OFFICER

NOTICE: If you have children from this relationship, the court is required to order payment of child support based on the income of both parents. You should supply the court with information about your income. Otherwise, the child support order will be based on the information supplied by the other parent.

You do not have to pay any fee to file responsive declarations in response to this *Order to Show Cause (UIFSA)*, including a completed *Income and Expense Declaration (FL-150)* or *Financial Statement (Simplified) (FL-155)* that will show your income. In the absence of an order shortening time, the original of the responsive declaration must be filed with the court and a copy served on the other party at least ten calendar days before the hearing date.

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (<i>Name, state bar number, and address</i>): TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO.: _____ ATTORNEY FOR (<i>Name</i>): _____	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>FOR COURT USE ONLY</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">DRAFT</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT APPROVED BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL</p>	
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:		
PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: OTHER:		
<p style="text-align: center;">RESPONSE TO UNIFORM SUPPORT PETITION</p>		CASE NUMBER:

YOU MUST FILE THIS RESPONSE WITH THE COURT IF YOU WISH TO OPPOSE THE LAWSUIT.

1. **PARENTAGE**

a. I am the parent of the following children (*specify all children listed in the petition*):

- | | <u>Child's name</u> | <u>Date of birth</u> |
|-----|--|----------------------|
| (1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| (2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| (3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| (4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| (5) | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| (6) | <input type="checkbox"/> Additional children are listed on a page attached to this response. | |

b. A voluntary declaration of paternity has been signed by the parents and is attached.

2. I request that a genetic test to determine parentage be done for all children for whom I have checked a "No" box above.

3. **CHILD SUPPORT**

- a. I agree to pay support as requested in this action.
- b. I disagree with the support requested. Attached is my completed *Income and Expense Declaration* (form FL-150) or *Financial Statement (Simplified)* (form FL-155). (NOTE: You can file this response without either of these forms.)

4. **OTHER ORDERS**

- a. I agree to the other orders requested.
- b. I disagree with the other requested orders as follows (*specify*):

5. I request a court hearing.

INFORMATION SHEET FOR RESPONSE TO UNIFORM SUPPORT PETITION

(Do NOT deliver this Information Sheet to the court clerk.)

Please follow these instructions to complete the *Response to Uniform Support Petition* (form FL-520) if you do not have an attorney to represent you. Your attorney, if you have one, should complete this form.

You must file the completed response and attachments with the court clerk within 30 days of the date you received the *Uniform Support Petition* (form FL-500). The address of the court clerk is the same as the one shown for the superior court on the summons. You may have to pay a filing fee. If you cannot afford to pay the filing fee, contact the court clerk. **Keep two copies of the filed response form and its attachments. Serve one copy on the petitioner or petitioner's attorney and/or the local child support agency and keep the other copy for your records. (See *Information Sheet for Service of Process*, form FL-611.)**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE RESPONSE FORM (TYPE OR PRINT FORM IN INK):

Front page, first box, top of form, left side: Print your name, address, and telephone number in this box if it is not already there.

Item 1: If you are responding to a question of paternity, check the “parentage” box.

- a. For each child listed on the response form, you must check the “yes” box if you agree that you are that child's parent or check the “no” box if you do not think or you are not sure whether you are that child's parent. You must write in the name of each child listed in the *Uniform Support Petition* if your response form does not include the names of any children.
- b. If you and the other parent have signed a voluntary declaration of paternity you should attach it to this form and check this box.

Item 2: If the local child support agency filed the *Uniform Support Petition*, the local child support agency will tell you when and where to go for the test. The local child support agency's office will pay for the cost of the test now. If the court decides that you are the parent, you may have to repay this cost to the local child support agency.

Item 3: a. Check this box if you agree to pay the support asked for in the *Uniform Support Petition* that you received.
b. If you disagree with the support asked for in the *Uniform Support Petition*, you should check this box. If you have documents that prove your reasons for disagreeing with the request in the *Uniform Support Petition*, you should attach documents to this form.

Item 4: a. Check this box if you agree to the other orders requested in the *Uniform Support Petition* that you received.
b. If you disagree with the orders requested in the *Uniform Support Petition*, you should check this box.

Item 5: Check this box if you want a court hearing. The petitioner or the local child support agency may also schedule a hearing whether or not you have checked this box.

Item 6: You must list your address and phone numbers where you can receive all notices and court dates. You must let the court know whenever your address changes. You may not receive important notices that affect you if the court does not have your current address.

You must date the response form, print your name, and sign the form under a penalty of perjury. When you sign the response form, you are stating that the information you have provided is true and correct.

Instructions for how to complete the Proof of Service section of the response form are in the *Information Sheet for Service of Process* (form FL-611). The person who serves the response and its attachments must fill out this section of the form.

You cannot serve your own response.

If you need assistance with this form, contact an attorney or the family law facilitator in your county. The family law facilitator can give you free help with this form.

PETITIONER: RESPONDENT:	CASE NUMBER:
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NOTICE OF TRANSFER

You are notified that all pleadings, orders, and other documents filed in this case have been transferred to the tribunal specified in item 5 on page 1.

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

6. I certify that I am not a party to this cause and that a copy of this *Ex Parte Application for Transfer and Order (UIFSA)* was sent to Petitioner, Respondent, the California Central Registry, and the child support agency of the transferring and receiving jurisdictions by first-class mail. The copies were enclosed in an envelope with postage fully prepaid. The envelope was addressed to the appropriate person or agency, sealed, and deposited with the United States Postal Service

at (*place*):

on (*date*):

Date:

Clerk, by _____, Deputy

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	FOR COURT USE ONLY DRAFT NOT APPROVED BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL
PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF: RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT:	
NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF OUT-OF-STATE SUPPORT ORDER <input type="checkbox"/> Support Order <input type="checkbox"/> Income Withholding Order	CASE NUMBER:

- To (name):
- You are notified that an Out-of-State Support Order Out-of-State Order for Income Withholding has been registered with this court. A copy of the order and the Registration Statement are attached.
- The amount of arrears is specified in item 1 on the attached Registration Statement.
- The registered order is enforceable in the same manner as a support order made by a California court as of the date the Registration Statement is filed.
- If you want to contest the validity or enforcement of the registered order, you must request a hearing within 25 days of the date that this notice was mailed to you (see below for clerk's date of mailing). You can request a hearing by completing and filing a *Request for Hearing Regarding Registration of Support Order* (form FL-575).
- If you fail to contest the validity or enforcement of the attached order within 25 days of the date this notice was mailed, the order will be confirmed by the court and you will not be able to contest any portion of the order including the amount of arrears as specified in item 1 of the Registration Statement.

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

1. I certify that I am not a party to this cause and that a copy of the registration statement with a copy of the out-of-state order were sent to the person named in item 1 by first-class mail. The copies were enclosed in an envelope with postage fully prepaid. The envelope was addressed to the person named in item 1 only at the address in the registration statement, sealed, and deposited with the United States Postal Service

at (place):
on (date):

2. Copy sent to local child support agency on (date):

Date: _____ Clerk, by _____, Deputy

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY <i>(Name, state bar number, and address):</i> TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO.: _____ ATTORNEY FOR <i>(Name):</i> _____	FOR COURT USE ONLY DRAFT NOT APPROVED BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF: RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT: OTHER PARENT:	
REQUEST FOR HEARING REGARDING REGISTRATION OF SUPPORT ORDER <input type="checkbox"/> California Support Order <input type="checkbox"/> Out-of-State Support Order	CASE NUMBER:

NOTICE OF HEARING

1. A hearing on this application will be held as follows *(see instructions on how to get a hearing date):*

a. Date:	Time:	Dept:	Div:	Room:
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b. The address of the court: same as noted above other *(specify):*

2. I request that service of the registration of support be vacated (canceled) because:

- a. I am not the Obligor named in the Registration Statement.
- b. The court or tribunal that issued the order did not have personal jurisdiction over me.
- c. The support order was obtained by fraud.
- d. The support order has been vacated, suspended, or modified by a later order. *(Please attach a copy of the later order.)*
- e. The order has been stayed pending appeal.
- f. The amount of arrears in section 1 of the Registration Statement is incorrect. The correct amount of arrears is *(specify amount):* \$ _____ Supporting documents attached.
- g. Some or all of the arrears are not enforceable.
- h. Other *(specify):*

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

.....
 (TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

▶ _____
 (SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT)

PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF: RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT: OTHER PARENT:	CASE NUMBER:
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CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that I am not a party to this cause and that a true copy of the *Request for Hearing Regarding Registration of Support Order* was mailed first class, postage fully prepaid, in a sealed envelope addressed as shown below, and that the notice was mailed at *(place)*: _____, California,
 on *(date)*:

Date: _____ Clerk, by _____, Deputy

**INFORMATION SHEET FOR REQUEST FOR HEARING
REGARDING REGISTRATION OF CALIFORNIA SUPPORT ORDER/
OUT-OF-STATE SUPPORT ORDER**

(Do NOT deliver this Information Sheet to the court clerk.)

Please follow these instructions to complete the *Request for Hearing Regarding Registration of Support Order* form (FL-575) if you do not have an attorney representing you. Your attorney, if you have one, should complete this form. You can get free help with this form from the family law facilitator in your county.

This form should be used if you received a notice or statement of registration telling you that a support order is being registered in a California court, but you do not want that support order registered.

You must file your completed request for hearing with the court clerk. You must also give the court clerk addressed envelopes with postage paid to mail copies of your request for hearing to the other parties. The address of the court clerk is the same as the one shown for the superior court on the notice or statement of registration you received. You may have to pay a filing fee to request a hearing. If you cannot afford to pay the filing fee, you must file an *Application for Waiver of Court Fees and Costs* (form FW-001). You can get this form from the court clerk, the family law facilitator, or online at www.courts.ca.gov.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE REQUEST FOR HEARING REGARDING REGISTRATION FORM (TYPE OR PRINT IN INK):

First page, first box, top of form, left side: Print your name, address, and phone number in this box.

Front page, second box, left side: Print the name of your county and the court's address in this box. Use the same address for the court that is on the notice or statement of registration form you received.

Front page, third box, left side: Print the names of Petitioner/Plaintiff, Respondent/Defendant, and Other Parent in this box. Use the same names listed on the notice or statement of registration you received.

Front page, fourth box, left side: Check the box by "California Support Order" if the order being registered was established in California, or check the box by "Out-of-State Order" if the order being registered was **NOT** established in California.

Front page, first box, top of form, right side: Leave this box blank for the court's use.

Front page, second box, right side: Print your case number in this box. This number is also shown on the notice or statement of registration you received.

1. Before you file your request for hearing with the court clerk you must ask the court clerk to set a hearing date for you. The court clerk will give you the information you need to complete this section.
2. In this section you are telling the court why you do not want the support order to be registered. You must check the box by your reason.
 - a. Check this box if you are not a person named in the notice or statement of registration you received.
 - b. You should check this box if the court that issued the support order did not have jurisdiction over you to issue the order. You may need legal advice to find out if this is a valid reason in your case.
 - c. Check this box if your support order was obtained by fraud. You may need legal advice to find out if this is a valid reason in your case.
 - d. You should check this box if a court has suspended or vacated your support order. You should also check this box if your support order was modified by a later order. **If the order was modified, you must attach a copy of your most recent support order to your request for hearing.**
 - e. Check this box if you have already filed an appeal to your support order and a court has stopped the order until the appeal is decided.

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Support Order (continued)**

- f. You should check this box if you disagree with the amount of arrearage shown on the registration statement. You must write in the correct amount of the arrearage in the space provided.
- g. Check this box only if your support was made by a court outside California and cannot be enforced due to the statute of limitations in that jurisdiction.
- h. Check this box if you have another reason to object to the registration of the support order.

You must date the form, print your name, and sign the form under penalty of perjury. When you sign the form, you are stating that the information you have provided is true and correct.

Top of second page, box on left side: Print the names of Petitioner/Plaintiff, Respondent/Defendant, and Other Parent in this box. Use the same names as on the front page.

Top of second page, box on right side: Print your case number in this box. Use the same number as on the front page.

The court clerk will sign and date the request for hearing form before mailing it to the Petitioner/ Plaintiff, Respondent/ Defendant, and Other Parent.

You must print the name and address of the Petitioner/Plaintiff, Respondent/Defendant, and Other Parent in the brackets. The names are the same as those at the top of the page. You also must provide the court clerk with stamped envelopes addressed to each of the other parties.

If you need assistance with this form, contact an attorney or the family law facilitator in your county.

PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF: RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT: OTHER PARENT:	CASE NUMBER:
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UIFSA CHILD SUPPORT ORDER JURISDICTIONAL ATTACHMENT

- TO **Order After Hearing (form FL-687)**
 Stipulation and Order (form FL-625)
 Other (specify):

THE COURT FINDS THE FOLLOWING:

- All parties have left the issuing state or foreign country, Petitioner Respondent Other Parent is the party requesting modification and resides in (state or foreign country). Petitioner Respondent Other Parent is the non requesting party and resides in California. This court assumes continuing, exclusive jurisdiction under Family Code section 5700.611 and modifies the order.
- (state) is the issuing state of the support order. Petitioner Respondent Other Parent resides in the issuing state. Petitioner Respondent Other Parent resides in California. Under Family Code section 5700.611(a)(2), the court finds that the parties filed consent in the issuing state for California to assume continuing, exclusive jurisdiction over support. This court assumes jurisdiction and modifies the order accordingly.
- California is the issuing state of the support order. Petitioner Respondent Other Parent is the party requesting modification and resides in (state or foreign country). Petitioner Respondent Other Parent resides outside the United States, in (country). Under Family Code section 5700.611(f), California retains jurisdiction to modify the order.
- All parties have left the issuing state, and reside in California. This court assumes jurisdiction under Family Code section 5700.613 to modify support and domesticates the support issues.
- Under Family Code section 5700.615, this court finds that the foreign country that issued the foreign support order (country), cannot or will not modify its order. This court assumes jurisdiction and modifies the order accordingly.
- The parties have agreed that neither of them currently reside in California, which is the state that issued the support order. Petitioner Respondent Other Parent resides in (state or foreign country). Petitioner Respondent Other Parent resides in (state or foreign country). Under Family Code section 5700.205(a)(2), the parties consent for California to retain continuing, exclusive jurisdiction to modify the support order.
- The parties have agreed that California is the state that issued the support order. Petitioner Respondent Other Parent resides in California. Petitioner Respondent Other Parent resides in (state). The parties consent under Family Code section 5700.205(b)(1) for (state) to assume continuing, exclusive jurisdiction and modify the order.

THIS IS A COURT ORDER.

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY <i>(Name, state bar number, and address):</i> TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO.: _____ ATTORNEY FOR <i>(name):</i> _____	FOR COURT USE ONLY DRAFT NOT APPROVED BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF: RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT: OTHER PARENT:	
REQUEST FOR HEARING REGARDING REGISTRATION OF A CONVENTION SUPPORT ORDER	CASE NUMBER: _____

NOTICE OF HEARING

1. A hearing on this application will be held as follows *(see instructions on how to get a hearing date and for more information about what a Convention support order is and how to fill out this form):*

a. Date:	Time:	Dept.:	Div.:	Room:
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b. The address of the court same as noted above other *(specify):*

2. I request that the court refuse recognition and enforcement of the Convention support order because:

- a. Recognition and enforcement of the order is manifestly incompatible with public policy, including the failure of the issuing tribunal to observe minimum standards of due process, which include notice and an opportunity to be heard.
- b. The court or tribunal that issued the order did not have personal jurisdiction as listed in Family Code section 5700.201.
- c. The order is not enforceable in the country that issued it.
- d. The order was obtained by fraud in connection with a matter of procedure.
- e. A record registering this order as required by Family Code section 5700.706 is not authentic or lacks integrity.
- f. A case between the same parties and having the same purpose is pending before a court in California, and that case was the first to be filed.
- g. The order is incompatible with a more recent support order involving the same parties and having the same purpose. The more recent support order is entitled to recognition and enforcement under Family Code sections 5700.101–5700.905.
- h. The alleged arrears have been paid in whole or in part.
- i. I did not attend the hearing, nor did I have a lawyer in the country that issued the order. The law of the issuing country provides for prior notice of proceedings, but I did not have proper notice of the proceedings or an opportunity to be heard.
- j. I did not attend the hearing, nor did I have a lawyer in the country that issued the order. The law of that county does not provide for prior notice of the proceedings, and I did not have proper notice of the order or an opportunity to be heard in a challenge or appeal on fact or law before a tribunal.
- k. The order was made in violation of Family Code section 5700.711.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date:

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

(SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT)

PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF: RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT: OTHER PARENT:	CASE NUMBER:
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CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that I am not a party to this cause and that a true copy of the *Request for Hearing Regarding Registration of a Convention Support Order* was mailed first class, postage fully prepaid, in a sealed envelope addressed as shown below, and that the notice was mailed

at (*place*): _____, California

on (*date*): _____

Date: _____ Clerk, by _____, Deputy

<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
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**INFORMATION SHEET FOR REQUEST FOR HEARING
REGARDING REGISTRATION OF A CONVENTION SUPPORT ORDER**

(Do NOT deliver this information sheet to the court clerk.)

Please follow these instructions to complete the *Request for Hearing Regarding Registration of a Convention Support Order* (form FL-592) if you do not have an attorney representing you. Your attorney, if you have one, should complete this form.

This form should be used if you received a notice or statement of registration telling you that a support order made in another state or country is being registered in a California court, but you do not want that support order registered.

A Convention Support Order is one that was made under the *Convention on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance Concluded at the Hague on November 23, 2007*. The Convention is now part of Family Code sections 5700.101–5700.905.

You must file your completed request for hearing with the court clerk. You must also give the court clerk addressed envelopes with postage paid to mail copies of your request for hearing to the other parties. The address of the court clerk is the same as the one shown for the superior court on the notice or statement of registration you received. You may have to pay a filing fee to request a hearing. If you cannot afford to pay the filing fee, you must file an *Application for Waiver of Court Fees and Costs* (form FW-001). You can get this form from the court clerk, from the family law facilitator, or from the California Courts website www.courts.ca.gov.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE REQUEST FOR HEARING REGARDING REGISTRATION FORM (YOU CAN COMPLETE THE FORM ON A COMPUTER, TYPE, OR PRINT IN INK):

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First page, second box, left side: Print the court's address in this box. Use the same address for the court that is on the notice or statement of registration form you received.

Front page, third box, left side: Print the names of the Petitioner/Plaintiff, Responded/Defendant, and Other Parent in this box. Use the same names listed on the notice or statement of registration form you received.

Front page, first box, top of form, right side: Leave this box blank for the court's use.

Front page, second box, right side: Print your case number in this box. This number is also shown on the notice or statement of registration you received.

1. Before you file your request for hearing with the court clerk, ask the court clerk to set a hearing date for you. The court clerk will give you the information you need to complete this section.
2. In this section you are telling the court why you do not want the support order to be recognized or enforced in California. Check the box by your reason(s).
 - a. Check this box if recognition and enforcement of the order conflicts with public policy. This includes the failure of the court or tribunal issuing the order to provide you with an opportunity to be heard through notice and due process.
 - b. Check this box if the court or tribunal that issued the support order did not have jurisdiction over you to issue the order.
 - c. Check this box if the order cannot be enforced in the country that issued it.
 - d. Check this box if your support order was obtained by fraud.
 - e. Check this box if the required document(s) accompanying this order is not authentic or whole.
 - f. Check this box if there is a case between the same parties and having the same purpose awaiting a decision before a court in California, and that case was filed first.
 - g. Check this box if the order is conflicting with a more recent support order between the same parties and having the same purpose.
 - h. Check this box if you have paid all of the alleged arrears or some of the alleged arrears.
 - i. Check this box if the country issuing the order requires prior notice of a hearing, but you did not receive notice of the hearing and you did not attend the hearing, and you did not have an attorney representing you in the hearing.
 - j. Check this box if the country issuing the order does not require prior notice of proceedings, you did not receive notice of the hearing and you did not have the opportunity to be heard in the proceeding.
 - k. Check this box if the order was made in violation of Family Code section 5700.711 because it was changed when you were a resident of the country where the support order was issued, and you did not agree to the case being heard in California either expressly or by defending yourself without objecting to the case being heard in California as soon as possible. If the country where your order was issued will not or cannot change the support order or make a new one, the case may be heard in California.

**INFORMATION SHEET FOR REQUEST FOR HEARING
REGARDING REGISTRATION OF A CONVENTION SUPPORT ORDER
(continued)**

You must date the form, print your name, and sign the form under penalty of perjury. When you sign the form, you are stating that the information you have provided is true and correct.

Top of second page, box on left side: Print the names of Petitioner/Plaintiff, Respondent/Defendant, and Other Parent in this box. Use the same names as on the front page.

Top of second page, box on right side: Print your case number in this box. Use the same number as on the front page.

The court clerk will sign and date the request for hearing form before mailing it to the Petitioner/Plaintiff, Respondent/Defendant, and Other Parent.

You must print the name and address of the Petitioner/Plaintiff, Respondent/Defendant, and Other Parent in the brackets. The names are the same as those at the top of the page. You also must provide the court clerk with stamped envelopes addressed to each of the other parties.

If you need assistance with this form, contact an attorney or the family law facilitator in your county. The family law facilitator can help you with this form for free.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>FOR COURT USE ONLY</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">DRAFT</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT APPROVED BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL</p>
PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF: RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT:	
<p style="text-align: center;">NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF A CONVENTION SUPPORT ORDER</p>	CASE NUMBER:

1. To *(name)*:
2. You are notified that a Convention Support Order has been registered with this court. A copy of the following is attached:
 - Complete text of the order
 - Abstract of the order
 - Record stating the support order is enforceable in the issuing country
 - Record attesting proper notice and opportunity to be heard, if respondent did not appear and was not represented
 - Record showing the amount of arrears, if any
 - Record showing a requirement for automatic adjustment of support, if any
 - Record showing the extent to which the applicant received free legal assistance, if necessary
3. The amount of arrears is specified in item 1 on the attached Transmittal Form under Article 12(2).
4. The registered order is enforceable in the same manner as a support order made by a California court as of the date the Transmittal Form under Article 12(2) is filed.
5. If you want to contest the validity or enforcement of the registered order, you must request a hearing within 30 days if you are within the United States, or within 60 days if residing outside the United States, of the date that the notice was mailed to you *(see below for clerk's date of mailing)*. You can request a hearing by completing and filing a *Request for Hearing Regarding Registration of a Convention Support Order* (form FL-592).
6. If you fail to contents the validity or enforcement of the attached order within 30 days, or 60 days if residing outside of the United States, of the date this notice was mailed, the order will be confirmed by the court and you will not be able to contest any portion of the order including the amount of arrears as specified in item 1 of the Transmittal Form under Article 12(2).

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

1. I certify that I am not a party to this cause, and that a copy of the letter of transmittal requesting registration with a copy of the convention support order were sent to the person named in item 1 by first-class mail. The copies were enclosed in an envelope with postage fully prepaid. The envelope was addressed to the person named in item 1 only at the address in the letter of transmittal requesting registration, sealed, and deposited with the United States Postal Service

 at *(place)*:
 at *(date)*:

2. Copy sent to local child support agency on *(date)*:

Date: _____ Clerk, by _____, Deputy

UIFSA Conversion Chart (California Statutes)

Current Family Code	Future Family Code	Title
Article I – General Provisions		
4900	5700.101	Short Title
4901	5700.102	Definitions
4902	5700.103	State Tribunal and Support Enforcement Agency
4903	5700.104	Remedies Cumulative
n/a	5700.105	Application of UIFSA to Resident of Foreign Country and Foreign Support Proceeding
Article II – Jurisdiction		
4905	5700.201	Bases for Jurisdiction over Nonresident
4906	5700.202	Duration of Personal Jurisdiction
4907	5700.203	Initiating and Responding Tribunal of State
4908	5700.204	Simultaneous Proceedings
4909	5700.205	Continuing, Exclusive Jurisdiction to Modify Child Support Order
4910	5700.206	Continuing, Exclusive Jurisdiction to Enforce Child Support Order
4911	5700.207	Determination of Controlling Child Support Order
4912	5700.208	Child Support Orders for Two or More Obligees
4913	5700.209	Credit for Payments
4913.5*	5700.210	Application of UIFSA to Nonresident Subject to Personal Jurisdiction
4914*	5700.211	Continuing, Exclusive Jurisdiction to Modify Spousal Support Order
Article III – Civil Provisions of General Application		
4915	5700.301	Proceedings under UIFSA
4916	5700.302	Proceedings by Minor Parent
4917	5700.303	Application of Law of State
4918	5700.304	Duties of Initiating Tribunal
4919	5700.305	Duties and Powers of Responding Tribunal
4920	5700.306	Inappropriate Tribunal
4921	5700.307	Duties of Support Enforcement Agency
4922	5700.308	Duty of Attorney General
4923	5700.309	Private Counsel
4924	5700.310	Duties of State Information Agency
4925	5700.311	Pleadings and Accompanying Documents
4926	5700.312	Nondisclosure of Information in Exceptional Circumstances

4927	5700.313	Costs and Fees
4928	5700.314	Limited Immunity of Petitioner
4929	5700.315	Nonparentage as Defense
4930	5700.316	Special Rules of Evidence and Procedure
4931	5700.317	Communications Between Tribunals
4932	5700.318	Assistance with Discovery
4933	5700.319	Receipt and Disbursement of Payments
Article IV – Establishment of Support Order or Determination of Parentage		
4935	5700.401	Establishment of Support Order
n/a	5700.402	Proceeding to Determine Parentage
Article V – Enforcement of Support Order Without Registration		
4940	5700.501	Employer’s Receipt of Income Withholding Order of Another State
4941	5700.502	Employer’s Compliance with Income Withholding Order of Another State
4942	5700.503	Employer’s Compliance with Two or More Income Withholding Orders
4943	5700.504	Immunity from Civil Liability
4944	5700.505	Penalties for Noncompliance
4945	5700.506	Contest by Obligor
4946	5700.507	Administrative Enforcement of Orders
Article VI – Registration, Enforcement, and Modification of Support Order		
Part 1 – Registration for Enforcement of Support Order		
4950	5700.601	Registration of Order for Enforcement
4951	5700.602	Procedure to Register Order for Enforcement
4952	5700.603	Effect of Registration for Enforcement
4953	5700.604	Choice of Law
Part 2 – Contest of Validity or Enforcement		
4954	5700.605	Notice of Registration of Order
4955	5700.606	Procedure to Contest Validity or Enforcement of Registered Support Order
4956	5700.607	Contest of Registration or Enforcement
4957	5700.608	Confirmed Order
Part 3 – Registration and Modification of Child Support Order of Another State		
4958	5700.609	Procedure to Register Child Support Order of Another State for Modification
4959	5700.610	Effect of Registration for Modification
4960	5700.611	Modification of Child Support Order of Another State
4961	5700.612	Recognition of Order Modified in Another State
4962	5700.613	Jurisdiction to Modify Child Support Order of Another State when Individual Parties Reside in this State
4963	5700.614	Notice to Issuing Tribunal of Modification
Part 4 – Registration and Modification of Foreign Child Support Order		

4964*	5700.615	Jurisdiction to Modify Child Support Order of Foreign Country
n/a	5700.616	Procedure to Register Child Support Order of Foreign Country for Modification
Article VII – Support Proceeding Under Convention		
n/a	5700.701	Definitions
n/a	5700.702	Applicability
n/a	5700.703	Relationship of Department to United States Central Authority
n/a	5700.704	Initiation by Department of Support Proceeding Under Convention
n/a	5700.705	Direct Request
n/a	5700.706	Registration of Convention Support Order
n/a	5700.707	Contest of Registered Convention Support Order
n/a	5700.708	Recognition and Enforcement of Registered Convention Support Order
n/a	5700.709	Partial Enforcement
n/a	5700.710	Foreign Support Agreement
n/a	5700.711	Modification of Convention Child Support Order
n/a	5700.712	Personal Information; Limit on Use
n/a	5700.713	Record in Original Language; English Translation
Article VIII – Interstate Rendition		
4970	5700.801	Grounds for Rendition
4971	5700.802	Conditions of Rendition
Article IX – Miscellaneous Provisions		
4975	5700.901	Uniformity of Application and Construction
n/a	5700.902	Transitional Provision
4976	5700.903	Severability Clause
n/a	5700.905	Emergency regulations
Additional Provisions		
4977	REPEAL	Repealed; not part of uniform law
4978	REPEAL	Repealed; not part of uniform law
5000	17404.1	Relocated within Family Code; not part of UIFSA
5001	17404.2	Relocated within Family Code; not part of UIFSA
5002	17404.1	Relocated within Family Code; not part of UIFSA
5003	17404.3	Relocated within Family Code; not part of UIFSA
5005	17407.5	Specific authority relocated within Family Code; not part of UIFSA; see this section regarding

		validity and revocation of State Reciprocal agreements
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*Section exists in UIFSA 2001, but not UIFSA 1996. California codified UIFSA 2001, but with contingent operation. UIFSA 2001 never became operative under those terms, but is mentioned here as many are familiar with those sections.

Convention Support Order Contest

SECTION 707. CONTEST OF REGISTERED CONVENTION SUPPORT ORDER.

5700.707

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this [article], Sections 605 through 608 apply to a contest of a registered Convention support order.

(b) A party contesting a registered Convention support order shall file a contest **not later than 30 days** after notice of the registration, **but if the contesting party does not reside in the United States**, the contest must be filed **not later than 60 days** after notice of the registration.

(c) If the nonregistering party fails to contest the registered Convention support order by the time specified in subsection (b), the order is enforceable.

(d) A contest of a registered Convention support order may be based only on grounds set forth in Section 708. The contesting party bears the burden of proof.

(e) In a contest of a registered Convention support order, a tribunal of this state:

(1) is bound by the findings of fact on which the foreign tribunal based its jurisdiction;

and

(2) may not review the merits of the order.

(f) A tribunal of this state deciding a contest of a registered Convention support order shall promptly notify the parties of its decision.

(g) A challenge or appeal, if any, does not stay the enforcement of a Convention support order unless there are exceptional circumstances.

**SECTION 708. RECOGNITION AND ENFORCEMENT OF REGISTERED
CONVENTION SUPPORT ORDER.**

5700.708

(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), a tribunal of this state shall recognize and enforce a registered Convention support order.

(b) The following grounds are the only grounds on which a tribunal of this state may refuse recognition and enforcement of a registered Convention support order:

(1) recognition and enforcement of the order is manifestly incompatible with public policy, including the failure of the issuing tribunal to observe minimum standards of due process, which include notice and an opportunity to be heard;

(2) the issuing tribunal lacked personal jurisdiction consistent with Section 201;

(3) the order is not enforceable in the issuing country;

(4) the order was obtained by fraud in connection with a matter of procedure;

(5) a record transmitted in accordance with Section 706 lacks authenticity or integrity;

(6) a proceeding between the same parties and having the same purpose is pending before a tribunal of this state and that proceeding was the first to be filed;

(7) the order is incompatible with a more recent support order involving the same parties and having the same purpose if the more recent support order is entitled to recognition and enforcement under this [act] in this state;

(8) payment, to the extent alleged arrears have been paid in whole or in part;

(9) in a case in which the respondent neither appeared nor was represented in the proceeding in the issuing foreign country:

(A) if the law of that country provides for prior notice of proceedings, the respondent did not have proper notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be heard; or

(B) if the law of that country does not provide for prior notice of the proceedings, the respondent did not have proper notice of the order and an opportunity to be heard in a challenge or appeal on fact or law before a tribunal; or

(10) the order was made in violation of Section 711.

(c) If a tribunal of this state does not recognize a Convention support order under subsection (b)(2), (4), or (9):

(1) the tribunal may not dismiss the proceeding without allowing a reasonable time for a party to request the establishment of a new Convention support order; and

(2) the [governmental entity] shall take all appropriate measures to request a child-support order for the obligee if the application for recognition and enforcement was received under Section 704.