SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FAMILY COURT DOMESTIC RELATIONS BRANCH

Fátima Maria Morales López)
Plaintiff,	
)
V.) Case No.: 2022 DRB 2033
) Magistrate Judge Breslow
José Leiva Méndez) Hearing: 10/20/22, 2:00 p.m.
Defendants.)
)

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR ALTERNATIVE SERVICE

Upon consideration of Plaintiff's Motion for Alternative Service, and for good cause, Accordingly, it is hereby,

ORDERED, that Plaintiff's Motion for Alternative Service is GRANTED; it is FURTHER ORDERED, that Plaintiff is authorized to serve Defendant, José Leiva Méndez, the father of the Minor Child, M.U.L.M. (DOB: 11/12/20004), by posting on the Superior Court for the District of Columbia's website for a period of twenty-one (21) days, starting from the date of this order; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that if Defendant does not file a responsive pleading within twenty-one (21) days after service pursuant to the Rules Governing Domestic Relations

Proceedings, Rule 12(a), or appear at the hearing, the Plaintiff may file a motion for default and the Court may enter default by order and may convert the next hearing into a default/ex parte hearing to take testimony from Plaintiff and file a final judgment without Defendant's participation; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that if Plaintiff is seeking a default judgment, prior to the next scheduling hearing, Plaintiff shall file an Affidavit in Compliance with the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that the parties shall appear for a remote hearing on October 20, 2022, at 2:00 P.M. on WebEx 99.

SO ORDERED.

September 14, 2022 Date

Magistrate Judge Adrienne Noti for Magistrate Judge Julie Breslow Signed in Chambers

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NOTICE OF CUSTODY PROCEEDING

JOSÉ LEIVA MÉNDEZ YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT a complaint for custody has been filed in the above-captioned matter, concerning a Minor Child, M.U.L.M. (DOB: 11/12/20004).

IF YOU WANT TO CHALLENGE THIS COMPLAINT, you must file a written objection with the Court within twenty-one (21) days, and appear for the hearing scheduled for **October 20**, **2022 at 2:00 p.m. on Webex 99**, that will be held remotely due to the coronavirus pandemic. Instructions to appear remotely are stated below, and can be obtained in writing by contacting the chambers of Judge Breslow at MagistrateJudgeBreslowChambers@dcsc.gov in advance of the hearing. If you do not file a written objection within twenty-one (21) days or appear at the hearing, default may be entered against you, the hearing may be converted to a default/ex parte proof hearing and judgment may be entered without further proceedings. Your objection should be emailed to FamilyCourtCIC@dcsc.gov, and directed to the Domestic Relations Branch Clerk, Family Court, Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 500 Indiana Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20001.

IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO CHALLENGE THIS COMPLAINT, you may consent to the relief sought prior to the hearing scheduled for **October 20, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. on Webex 99**. For more information on how to file a Consent Answer, please contact the Family Court Self-Help Center by telephone (202) 879-0096.

FAILURE TO RESPOND IN THIS MATTER MAY RESULT IN THE ENTRANCE OF A CUSTODY ORDER WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION.

INSTRUCTIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN A REMOTE HEARING:

The Court prefers participation by video and below are two options to attend by video. If a participant does not have a device that allows for video participation, participating by telephone is acceptable, and there is one option to do so below. Should you encounter any difficulties, please email MagistrateJudgeBreslowChambers@dcsc.gov

PLEASE NOTE:

When you log in to the remote courtroom, there may already be a hearing in progress. Please wait for the courtroom clerk to address you and mute your video/phone whenever you are not speaking.

** Or**

The Courtroom may be "locked" and you will be put into a "lobby" and the Courtroom clerk will admit you to the courtroom at the appropriate time

To access the remote courtroom by computer with video (two options):

(1) Open Web Browser in Google Chrome and copy and paste following address: https://dccourts.webex.com/meet/ctb99

OR

(2) Open Web Browser in Google Chrome and copy and paste following address: https://dccourts.webex.com. Select JOIN, enter ACCESS CODE: 129 820 3161 # (you may have to hit # a second time)

To access the remote courtroom by smartphone or tablet with video:

Go to App Store, Download WebEx App (Cisco WebEx Meetings), Select Join Meeting, Enter URL: https://dccourts.webex.com/meet/ctb99, enter your name and e-mail.

To access the remote courtroom by phone, no video:

Call 1 (202) 860-2110 and enter ACCESS CODE 129 820 3161#, then hit # again.