

**IN THE TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, STATE OF MISSOURI
FAMILY COURT**

ANGELA FREINER,)
 Petitioner,)
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v.))
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JAMES JUDY,))
 Respondent.)

Cause Number: 14SL-DR02617-01 and 02

Division Number: 31

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SHOW CAUSE ORDER – MOTION FOR CRIMINAL CONTEMPT

On its own motion, stated herein, it is hereby ORDERED that you, Angela Freiner, be and appear before Division 31 of the Family Court of the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, on the **10th day of February, 2021 at 1:00pm** and show cause, if there be any, why you should not be adjudged and held in **criminal contempt** of this Court and punished accordingly by reason of your failure to obey this Court’s Judgment and Orders entered in this case as follows:

- The Court’s Modification Judgment entered on August 28, 2020, as amended by the Order and Judgment dated December 23, 2020, granting Respondent James Judy custody of the minor child, Dalilah Judy, at all times during the school year and granting him the status of residential parent for purposes of the minor child’s schooling. Specifically, Petitioner has acknowledged to this Court on two occasions—January 29, 2021 and February 5, 2021, that the minor child remains with her in St. Louis after the winter break from school and that Petitioner has enrolled the minor

child in school in Afton, Missouri for this semester.

- The Court's Temporary Restraining Order entered on January 15, 2021, requiring, among other things, Petitioner to return the minor child to Respondent in Montana pursuant to the Court's Modification Judgment entered on August 28, 2020, as amended by the Order and Judgment dated December 23, 2020. Again, Petitioner has acknowledged to this Court on two occasions—January 29, 2021 and February 5, 2021, that the minor child remains with her in St. Louis after the winter break from school and that Petitioner has enrolled the minor child in school in Afton, Missouri for this semester.
- The Court's Consent Order on TRO entered on January 29, 2021. On January 29, 2021, the Court held a hearing on Respondent's Motion for TRO/preliminary injunction by video. Petitioner and Respondent appeared in person and by counsel, along with the GAL (all by video). Petitioner advised the Court that the minor child was still with her in St. Louis in violation of the TRO entered on January 15, 2021. At that time, Petitioner agreed to return the minor child to Respondent in Court on February 3, 2021 at 8:00am. The Court entered a consent ordering memorializing the agreement of the parties to this exchange and ordered Petitioner to appear with the child on February 3, 2021 at 8:00am the Courthouse. Petitioner failed to appear on February 3, 2021. Respondent came to St. Louis from Montana that day and timely appeared. In its Order of January 29, 2021,

the Court had continued the TRO and preliminary injunction hearing from January 29, 2021 to February 3, 2021. Therefore, the Court proceeded with the hearing in the absence of Petitioner. The Court entered a Preliminary Injunction Order dated February 3, 2021, granting temporary sole legal and physical custody to Respondent with no custody periods to Petitioner until further order of the Court.

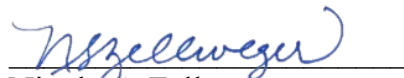
At Petitioner's request, the Court conducted a status conference on February 5, 2021 (no motion was then pending). Petitioner appeared in person. Respondent appeared in person and by counsel, K. Shaul. GAL appeared. All appeared by telephone. Petitioner acknowledged that she did not appear on February 3, 2021 as required by her agreement and by this Court's Order. The Court advised Petitioner that it intended to hold a contempt hearing on her conduct on February 10, 2021 and also advised Petitioner that failure to appear **and bring the child** would result in the Court compelling her appearance by law enforcement. The Court allowed Petitioner to select the time of the hearing. Petitioner, Respondent and the GAL all confirmed that they are available to conduct the contempt hearing on February 10, 2021 at 1:00pm. The Court verbally ordered that the parties all appear at the Courthouse at that day and time. When asked if she understood the need to appear for the hearing and bring the child, Petitioner told the Court, "yes."

Accordingly, by agreement of the parties and by order of this Court, the Court will conduct the criminal contempt hearing against Petitioner Angela Freiner on February 10, 2021 at 1:00pm. Petitioner Angela Freiner is ordered to bring the minor child, Dalilah

Judy, to the St. Louis County Courthouse on February 10, 2021, at 1:00pm (Division 31) to relinquish custody of the minor child to Respondent James Judy and to answer this Show Cause Order.

YOU, ANGELA FREINER, ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear and answer this Show Cause Order and produce the minor child, Dalilah Judy, 14 years of age, before Division 31 of the St. Louis County Courthouse on the 10th day of February, 2021 at 1:00pm, then and there to be dealt with according to the law. Failure to appear and bring the minor child on this date and time will subject you to significant consequences, including without limitation contempt of Court, a body attachment and warrant and commitment directing that the body of Angela Freiner be attached by the Sheriff of the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, and that you be held in the custody of the Sheriff of the County of St. Louis, Missouri as and for (1) punishment for violation of this Order and contempt of Court and, separately, (2) until such time as you produce the minor child, Dalilah Judy, to this Court.

SO ORDERED



Nicole S. Zellweger
Family Court Judge
February 5, 2021

Sent by Clerk to Petitioner by email at her request.