



## PARENTING PLAN TRAVEL RESTRAINT LANGUAGE & THE PREVENT DEPARTURE PROGRAM

Below are several examples of parenting plan travel restraints that have been reviewed by the U.S. Department of State and Homeland Security for optimal language to qualify for the Custom and Border Patrol's Prevent Departure Program. The coalition has been advised that the custodial and non-custodial parent should be clearly identified within the court order.

**Sample 1:** The child, (Enter Name of the Child), is restrained from being removed from (Enter the Name of the State or Commonwealth). Any and all law enforcement authorities shall enforce this order.

i.e. The child, Emily Smith, is restrained from being removed from the State of Washington. Any and all law enforcement authorities shall enforce this order.

**Sample 2:** The child, (Enter Name of the Child), is restrained from being removed from (Enter the Name of the State or Commonwealth) for the period of two (2) years from the date of entry of the Parenting Plan. Any and all law enforcement authorities shall enforce this order.

i.e. The child, Michael Johnson, is restrained from being removed from the Commonwealth of Virginia for the period of two (2) years from the date of entry of the Parenting Plan. Any and all law enforcement authorities shall enforce this order.

**Sample 3:** Only the custodial parent, (Enter Name of the Parent), is allowed to travel outside (Enter the Name of the State or Commonwealth) or internationally with the minor child(ren), (Enter Name(s) of the Child(ren)). Any and all law enforcement authorities shall enforce this order.

i.e. Only the custodial parent, Ada Singh, is allowed to travel outside the State of California or internationally with the minor children, Sachi Singh and Maher Singh. Any and all law enforcement authorities shall enforce this order.

**Sample 4:** Travel abroad with (Enter Name of the Child) is permissible only by (Enter Name of the Parent), the custodial parent. Any and all law enforcement authorities shall enforce this order.

i.e. Travel abroad with Maria Gonzales is permissible only by Jamie Richards, the custodial parent. Any and all law enforcement authorities shall enforce this order.

**Sample 5:** Travel abroad is permissible only by (Enter Name of the Parent) with whom the child(ren), (Enter Name(s) of the Child(ren)), reside(s) the majority of time.

i.e. Travel abroad is permissible only by Sam Lee with whom the child, Hana Lee, resides the majority of time. Any and all law enforcement authorities shall enforce this order.

**Sample 6:** Travel abroad for the child(ren), (Enter Name(s) of the Child(ren)), is not permissible. Any and all law enforcement authorities shall enforce this order.

i.e. Travel abroad for the children, Kenji Tanaka James and Ana Tanaka James, is not permissible. Any and all law enforcement authorities shall enforce this order.

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