



# advokids

A resource for foster children and their advocates

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## DE FACTO PARENT STATEMENT FORM 296 INSTRUCTIONS

- Provide all information requested in sections #1-5
- In section #6, you want to send the clear message that your relationship with this child must be protected!
  - Be specific and attach additional pages if needed.
  - In section #6(c), provide detailed information about your child's needs. Be specific about what your child's day to day needs look like, i.e., eating peculiarities, sleep habits, fears or phobias. Be specific about the time, skills and dedication you render to meet those needs
  - Include information about your relationships with the professionals involved with your child, i.e., medical doctors, therapists, teachers, tutors,
- In section #7, be sure to date and sign, If filing as a couple, include both signatures.