**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**FAMILY COURT**

**JUVENILE AND NEGLECT BRANCH**

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**In the Matter of** ) Case No. [YEAR] NEG [XXXXXX]

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 [CHILD], ) Social File No. [YEAR] JSF [XXXXXX]

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 **Respondent.** ) Next Date: [DATE]

 ) ) Magistrate Judge [NAME]

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# **Counsel’s [Consent] motion for leave to withdraw**

COMES NOW, [ATTORNEY] of the Children’s Law Center, counsel for [FOSTER PARENT INITIALS], caretaker of the respondent, and moves this court for leave to withdraw pursuant to Super. Ct. Civ. R. 101, Super. Ct. Neg. R. 42 (c), and D.C. R. Prof. Conduct 1.16. [UNDERSIGNED COUNSEL HAS CONTACTED COUNSEL FOR EACH OF THE PARTIES IN THIS MATTER, AND NONE OF THE PARTIES HAS ANY OPPOSITION TO THIS MOTION.] In support of this motion, counsel submits the attached memorandum of points and authorities.

 Respectfully submitted,

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 [ATTORNEY]

D.C. Bar No. [######]

[FIRM]

[ADDRESS]

[CITY, STATE ZIP]

[TEL/FAX #]

[EMAIL]

*Counsel for* [FOSTER PARENT INITIALS]

**Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing counsel’s [CONSENT] motion for leave to withdraw have been sent by mail, first class, postage prepaid on this [DATE] day of [MONTH] [YEAR], to the following individuals at the addresses listed below:

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[ATTY NAME], Esq.

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Counsel for Mother

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Counsel for Father

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

# **in support of Counsel’s [Consent] motion**

# **for leave to withdraw**

 In support of this motion, undersigned counsel states as follows:

1. Undersigned counsel has contacted: [GAL], Guardian *ad litem* for [CHILD]; [BIO MOM ATTY], counsel for [BIO MOM]; [BIO DAD ATTY], counsel for [BIO DAD]; [AAG], counsel for the government; and [SOCIAL WORKER], CFSA social worker; and they have stated that they [DO/DO NOT] consent to the relief sought by this motion.

2. Undersigned counsel was appointed to represent [FOSTER PARENT INITIALS] on [DATE] to assist [HIM/HER] with adopting the respondent.

3. To date, no petition for adoption has been filed and no trial date has been set.

4. In conformity with D.C. R. Prof. Conduct 1.16, undersigned counsel may withdraw provided the withdrawal may be accomplished without “material adverse effect on the interests of the client.” Allowing counsel to withdraw will not adversely affect [FOSTER PARENT’S INITIALS] nor will it delay trial or be contrary to the interests of justice. Further, [FOSTER PARENT’S INITIALS] has indicated that [HE/SHE] does not seek representation at this time. *See* Super. Ct. Civ. R. 101 (c)(4).

5. In compliance with Super. Ct. Civ. R. 101 (c)(1-2), undersigned counsel has served a copy of this motion upon [FOSTER PARENT’S INITIALS] and given [HIM/HER] notice regarding obtaining new counsel or representing herself.

 Wherefore, it is requested that the court grant counsel’s [CONSENT] motion for leave to withdraw and award such other and further relief as the court finds just and proper.

 Respectfully submitted,

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 [ATTORNEY]

D.C. Bar No. [######]

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*Counsel for* [FOSTER PARENT INITIALS]

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**ORDER**

Upon consideration of counsel’s [CONSENT] motion for leave to withdraw, the memorandum of points and authorities in support thereof, the argument of counsel, and the entire record herein, it is this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of [MONTH] [YEAR],

**ORDERED** that counsel’s [CONSENT] motion for leave to withdraw is hereby **GRANTED**, and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED** that the [ATTORNEY/FIRM] is hereby relieved of [HIS/HER/ITS] duty as counsel in the above-captioned case and of all further responsibility for such representation.

[JUDGE]
*Signed in chambers*

Copies to:

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