

**Consent to Obtain and/or Release Information in the
730 Custody Evaluation for the Family Law Case
Los Angeles Superior Court # _____**

I/We give consent to Mary Lund, Ph.D./Angus Strachan, Ph.D./or _____ to obtain and/or release information about myself, ourselves, and/or our children:

To and/or from the following individual:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

This information is to be used for making recommendations regarding physical and legal custody, based on the best interests of the child(ren), for the above mentioned child(ren) in the current Family Law case in the Los Angeles Superior Court. The signature(s) of this consent is/are a party (parties) in the above mentioned case and have voluntarily waived their rights, by signing a stipulation for a 730 custody evaluation, to confidentiality (including health, occupational, and educational information) and patient-physician/mental health practitioner privilege as part of the current court action. Questions to be asked by the evaluator will include the current and past health and behavioral, academic, and social adjustment of the child(ren), observations of the parents' interaction with the child(ren), statements by the children about the family, any indications of abuse or neglect by the parents, parents involvement with the child(ren), and indications of parental psychopathology, criminal activity, or drug use. The evaluator may disclose information to mental health practitioners regarding options for treatment planning that may be recommended to the court. Photocopies and faxes of this form are valid consent. Information released in interviews or written material may be included in the report to the court in the current Family Law case, and the parent(s) may read that report. The evaluation report and all information collected for this evaluation, according to the signed stipulation, are part of the sealed court record, restricted to the Family Law case above and shall not be released for any other purpose or court matter. The report and information collected for the report will be held by the evaluator until the youngest child listed above reaches the age of 18, is part of the sealed court record for the above mentioned Family Law case, and shall be inspected by no one except for the court in the above-mentioned Family Law case, counsel of record, or any subsequent 730 child custody evaluator in the above-mentioned Family Law case without consent of both parties or prior Order of the Court. When the youngest child listed above is 18, the report and information collected for the above mentioned case will be destroyed. The above listed person(s) shall be held blameless for release of information for the custody evaluation in the above-mentioned Family Law Case in Los Angeles Superior Court.

This consent is valid from the date of signing until three (3) months later.

Signed _____

Names _____

Date _____