

**MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS
WESTERN DISTRICT**

GALE W. BLOMENKAMP,

Appellant,

v.

POLLY A. BLOMENKAMP,

Respondent.

DOCKET NUMBER WD77040

Date: April 28, 2015

Appeal from:
Boone County Circuit Court
The Honorable Robert R. Sterner, Judge

Appellate Judges:
Division One: Thomas H. Newton, Presiding Judge, Lisa White Hardwick and Anthony
Rex Gabbert

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MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY

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Before Division One: Thomas H. Newton, Presiding Judge, Lisa White Hardwick and Anthony Rex Gabbert

Gale Blomenkamp ("Father") appeals the circuit court's judgment granting Polly Blomenkamp's ("Mother") motion for modification of child support and child custody. Father contends the circuit court erred in: (1) finding a change of circumstances to support the child support modification; (2) calculating the amount of child support; and (3) finding the statutory requirements were met to justify a change of custody.

AFFIRMED.

Division One holds: Because the initial dissolution decree made no arrangement for the payment of post-secondary educational expenses and the child intended to attend college, the evidence was sufficient to establish substantial and continuing change in circumstances to justify modification of the initial decree. Furthermore, the circuit court did not abuse its discretion in calculating the presumed correct child support amount or in calculating the applicable adjustment for overnight stays with Father. Finally, change in custody was supported by evidence that child had moved in with

Mother on full-time basis and circuit court's written findings were sufficient to support the determination that the custody change was in the best interests of the eighteen-year-old child.

Opinion by: Lisa White Hardwick, Judge

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