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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS
STATE OF MISSOURI

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:	)	
	)	
DAVID W. PRUESSNER	)	
	)	
Petitioner,	)	
	)	Cause No. 16SL-DR01191-02
and	)	
	)	
BERNADINE D. PRUESSNER,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

MOTION TO JOIN FAMILY SUPPORT DIVISION AND STAY ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

COMES NOW, Petitioner, David Pruessner, by and through counsel, and in support of his Motion to Join Family Support Division and Stay Administrative Proceedings ("Motion") states to this Court as follows:

1. On or about October 12, 2017, this Court entered a Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage ("Judgment") between the Petitioner and Respondent and entered orders regarding child custody and support.
2. On or about October 28, 2019, this Court entered a Judgment of Modification ("Modification Judgment") modifying the terms of child custody and support.
3. A Motion to Modify was filed by the Petitioner on June 14, 2023 requesting a change in child custody and the calculation of child support.
4. Respondent filed a Motion to Modify child support with the Missouri Family Support Division, which is currently set for hearing on July 18, 2023.

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5. There are circumstances that have arisen making a Motion to Modify necessary in this case and include issues affecting support that cannot be considered by the Family Support Division.

6. Information provided by the Respondent to Family Support Division is inaccurate, incomplete, and requires further discovery.

7. The Family Support Division has an interest in this matter.

8. The joinder of Family Support Division is required as a necessary party because, absent joinder, this Court and Family Support Division may have conflicting orders.

9. Petitioner will be unduly prejudiced if Family Support Division is allowed to proceed while this action is pending before the Court.

10. Failure to stay the Family Support Division proceedings would result in a gross dissipation of limited temporal and monetary resources for the State of Missouri and is not in the interest of judicial economy.

11. Child support paid by either party should be determined and litigated in this matter and not administratively through the State of Missouri.

12. As such, IV-D Case Number [redacted] should be immediately stayed pending litigation of these proceedings before the Circuit Court of St. Louis County, State of Missouri.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays that this Court enter an order rendering a stay against the Family Support Division, and for such further actions this Court deems fair and just under the circumstances.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the attorney whose name appears above signed the original of this pleading and that a true and correct copy of this pleading was served through the court's electronic filing system on the 13 day of July, 2023 to all counsel of record.