

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Maria Auxiliadora Garcia Ruiz :

Plaintiff :

v. :

Case No.: C-15-FM-22-004117

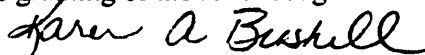
Jose Javier Velez Roman :

Defendant :

NOTICE BY DIGITAL PUBLICATION

A Complaint for Custody and Special Immigrant Juvenile Status was filed with the Circuit Court for Montgomery County on July 19, 2022. The Complaint alleges in substance: 1) Plaintiff, Maria Auxiliadora Garcia Ruiz, is the biological mother of Luis Fernando Velez Garcia born on August 27, 2005 in Nicaragua (“Minor Child”); 2) Jose Javier Velez Roman is the Minor Child’s biological father (“Defendant”); 3) Reunification between the Minor Child and the Defendant is not viable due to abandonment and neglect; 4) Defendant abandoned the Minor Child in 2005 when the Plaintiff informed the Defendant she was pregnant; 5) Sometime in 2006, he contacted Plaintiff stating he wanted to be listed as the father of the Minor Child and was then able to register himself; 6) After doing so, Defendant has had no further contact with Plaintiff or Minor Child and has never supported the Minor Child financially; 7) It is in the best interest of the Minor Child to be placed in the sole custody of Plaintiff and not to be returned to Nicaragua. Plaintiff seeks sole legal and physical custody of the Minor Child, and also seeks factual findings that would enable the Minor Child to apply for Special Immigrant Juvenile Status.

It is this 4th day of December 2023 , ORDERED, that the Plaintiff cause a copy of this Notice to be digitally published at least once a week for three consecutive weeks in an appropriate publication of general circulation in Nicaragua (including Global Legal Notice); publication to be completed by January 20, 2024 ; Defendant must file a response on or before February 28, 2024 ; Defendant is warned that failure to file a response within the time allowed may result in a default judgment or the granting of the relief sought.



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