

THE BILL OF RIGHTS OF CHILDREN OF DIVORCE

1. THE RIGHT TO BE TREATED AS IMPORTANT HUMAN BEINGS, WITH UNIQUE FEELINGS, IDEAS AND DESIRES.
2. THE RIGHT TO A CONTINUING RELATIONSHIP WITH BOTH PARENTS.
3. THE RIGHT TO EXPRESS LOVE AND AFFECTION FOR EACH PARENT WITHOUT HAVING TO STIFLE THAT LOVE BECAUSE OF FEAR OF DISAPPROVAL BY THE OTHER PARENT.
4. THE RIGHT TO KNOW THAT THEIR PARENTS' DIVORCE IS NOT THEIR RESPONSIBILITY.
5. THE RIGHT TO CONTINUING CARE AND GUIDANCE FROM BOTH PARENTS.
6. THE RIGHT TO HONEST ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ABOUT CHANGING FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS.
7. THE RIGHT TO KNOW AND APPRECIATE WHAT IS GOOD IN EACH PARENT WITHOUT ONE PARENT DEGRADING THE OTHER.
8. THE RIGHT TO HAVE A RELAXED , SECURE RELATIONSHIP WITH BOTH PARENTS WITHOUT BEING PLACED IN A POSITION TO MANIPULATE ONE PARENT AGAINST THE OTHER.
9. THE RIGHT TO HAVE THE CUSTODIAL PARENT NOT UNDERMINE VISITATION BY SUGGESTING TEMPTING ALTERNATIVES OR BY THREATENING TO WITHHOLD VISITATION.
10. THE RIGHT TO BE ABLE TO EXPERIENCE REGULAR AND CONSISTENT VISITATION AND THE RIHT TO KNOW THE REASON FOR A CANCELED VISIT.