**ISSUES CHART**

**Court Date: ­­­­­­­­­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***The Request for Order FL-300 packet has been filed, and you’re going to court. It is your job to prove to the court that you should get what you want (either in favor or against the request(s)). It is your responsibility to present an organized case and to be sure that the court considers all the requests stated in the paperwork and makes appropriate orders. Before your hearing, use this Issues Chart to organize your thinking and written documents. In court, use this Issues Chart to keep track of the issues to be considered by the court, the arguments in favor and against, and when the court has considered the issue and made an order. List the issues requested in Column 2. In Column 3 list the reasons given in the RFO in favor of the requested orders. List in Column 4 the reasons stated by the other side against the requested orders. In Column 5 list the main points from the requesting party in reply to the opposition. When you are in court, check each box in Column 1 when the court makes each order so you can keep track.***

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| **1. Check here when the judge makes an order re: your issue:** | **2. ISSUE: The RFO (FL-300) requests this action on the following issues (Ex. “change legal custody to joint”; “change drop-off location”; “change child support”)** | **3. WHAT ARE THE REASONS GIVE IN THE RFO TO SUPPORT EACH REQUEST FOR EACH ISSUE:**  (Why each request should or should not be granted) | **4. OTHER PARTY’S RESPONSE(S) TO EACH ISSUE(S) REQUESTED** | **5. THE REPLY FROM THE PARTY WHO FILED THE RFO** |
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**Additional Notes/Comments:**