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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF COLUMBIA COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA**

**WAYLAND BRAXTON WILLIS,
Petitioner,**

v.

**HALEY CROWE,
Respondent.**

Civil Action File No.: 2025EDR0053

**MOTION FOR CONTEMPT FOR WILLFUL VIOLATION
OF THE SEPTEMBER 17, 2025 TEMPORARY ORDER**

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COMES NOW Petitioner, **Wayland Braxton Willis**, pro se, and moves this Court to find Respondent in **willful contempt** of the Court's September 17, 2025 Temporary Order based on her repeated refusal to comply with the Court-ordered supervised visitation schedule, her obstruction of communication, and her reliance on the Guardian ad Litem in place of this Court. Petitioner shows the Court as follows:

1. EXISTING COURT ORDER

1. On **September 17, 2025**, this Court entered a Temporary Order establishing supervised visitation between Petitioner and the minor child.
 2. The September 17 Temporary Order remains the **only written, signed order** governing visitation.
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2. RESPONDENT'S WILLFUL FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH COURT-ORDERED VISITATION

3. Respondent has repeatedly refused to make the minor child available for supervised visitation as ordered, including on:
 - a. **November 9–10, 2025**,
 - b. **November 16–17, 2025**, and
 - c. **November 23–24, 2025 (immediate weekend at issue)**.
4. Respondent provided no lawful justification for refusing visitation.
5. Respondent based her refusal solely on an alleged “verbal suspension” communicated by the Guardian ad Litem — despite the fact that the GAL has **no authority** to suspend or alter

visitation without a written court order.

6. No written order exists modifying or suspending visitation.

3. PATTERN OF NON-COMMUNICATION AND OBSTRUCTION

7. Since approximately **October 10, 2025**, Respondent has refused to communicate directly with Petitioner about visitation, scheduling, or co-parenting.
8. Respondent only responds when Petitioner includes the Guardian ad Litem in the group message, indicating her responses are conditioned on oversight rather than good-faith co-parenting.
9. Respondent has ignored or delayed communication directly related to visitation, which has obstructed Petitioner's ability to comply with and exercise his rights under the Court's order.
10. This pattern existed prior to October 10 and has **progressively worsened**, demonstrating intentional obstruction.

4. RESPONDENT'S IMPROPER RELIANCE ON THE GAL IN PLACE OF THE COURT

11. Respondent repeatedly and explicitly stated she would not comply with visitation until the GAL "approved" it or "lifted" the suspension.
 12. Georgia law is clear that only the **Court** may modify or suspend visitation.
 13. Respondent's reliance on the GAL — rather than the Court — is a **willful violation** of the September 17 Temporary Order.
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5. HARM CAUSED BY RESPONDENT'S NON-COMPLIANCE

14. As a result of Respondent's actions, the minor child was prevented from attending:
 - a. a **family wedding**; and
 - b. Petitioner's **grandfather's funeral**, an irreplaceable family event.
 15. These harms are significant, avoidable, and directly caused by Respondent's refusal to comply with the Court's Order.
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6. PETITIONER HAS FULLY COMPLIED WITH COURT REQUIREMENTS

16. Petitioner has completed **every drug test requested**, including the October retest, the MRO-verified **17-panel negative** hair test, **PEth negative**, and all subsequent negative tests.
 17. Petitioner has made himself available for supervised visitation each weekend in accordance with the Court's Order.
 18. No evidence exists that Petitioner has failed to comply with any condition of the Court.
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7. INTERFERENCE WITH COURT-APPROVED COMMUNICATION WITH THE MINOR CHILD

19. Petitioner shows that Respondent has repeatedly interfered with reasonable communication with the minor child.
20. Respondent frequently claims the child is "already in bed" even when Petitioner calls **before** the agreed time or within minutes after — an implausible pattern and inconsistent with the child's

normal routine.

21. When Petitioner attempts morning communication before school, Respondent routinely delays responding for **20–30 minutes or longer**, then replies that “he’s already at school,” despite Petitioner’s timely message.
22. These delays prevent Petitioner from speaking to the child and demonstrate intentional obstruction of communication.
23. Respondent’s behavior is inconsistent with the best interests of the child and constitutes willful interference with the Court’s expectation of reasonable co-parenting communication.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that this Court:

- A. **Find Respondent in willful contempt** of the September 17, 2025 Temporary Order;
- B. Order **immediate compliance** with the supervised visitation schedule;
- C. Grant **make-up visitation** for all weekends wrongfully denied;
- D. Order that Respondent **shall not refuse visitation absent a written, signed order** of this Court;
- E. Impose appropriate sanctions to ensure Respondent’s future compliance;
- F. Set this matter for a **hearing** at the earliest possible date; and
- G. Grant such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

**Respectfully submitted this 21 day of
November, 2025.**

Wayland B. Willis

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Exhibit A — September 17 Temporary Order

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF COLUMBIA COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

HALEY CROWE, :
PLAINTIFF, : CIVIL ACTION FILE
v. : NO. 2025EDR0053
WAYLAND BRAXTON WILLIS, :
DEFENDANT. :

TEMPORARY ORDER

A Temporary Hearing was scheduled in this matter for August 11, 2025 before the Honorable Sheryl B. Jolly. The Plaintiff was present, represented by counsel Adam Land. The Defendant was present, represented by counsel Holly G. Chapman. Also present was the appointed *Guardian ad Litem*, Renee Bell. Prior to the need for a full evidentiary hearing, the parties came to an agreement, which has been approved and adopted by the Court as follows:

1.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED on a temporary basis that Plaintiff shall continue to have primary physical custody of the minor child at issue in this matter; to wit: Wayland Brooks Willis, born in 2018.

2.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED on a temporary basis that Defendant's visitation shall be increased in steps, with the first step being overnight visitation supervised by Defendant's parents. The first overnight visitation shall be Saturday, August 23, 2025 beginning at 10AM and ending Sunday, August 24, 2025 at 6pm.

3.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED on a temporary basis that the *Guardian ad Litem* shall have the authority to increase visitation to unsupervised overnight visitations and full weekend visitations as she sees fit without further order of this Court.

4.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED on a temporary basis that the *Guardian ad Litem* shall require the Defendant to submit to a 17 panel hair follicle or

nail bed drug test as well as a blood Peth test and shall receive and review those results prior to authorizing unsupervised visitation.

5.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED on a temporary basis that either party may call or Facetime the child when the child is with the other parent. Calls should be reasonable in duration and frequency.

6.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED on a temporary basis that the minor child shall have no contact with Sara Berry.

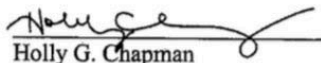
7.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that all other issues shall be held in abeyance until this matter comes before the Court for further hearing.

SO ORDERED this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Honorable Sheryl B. Jolly
Judge, Superior Court
Columbia Judicial Circuit

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EXHIBIT B

Email From Guardian ad Litem Stating She “Suspended Visitation”

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Renee Bell <kidsgal@aol.com>

To: Jo Lynn Harris <jharris@columbiacountyga.gov>; Adam D. Land <adam@tisdalelawfirm.com>; Holly Chapman <hchapman@dcwattorneys.com>

Cc: Tonnia DeBord <tonnia@tisdalelawfirm.com>

Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2025 at 11:23:39 AM EST

Subject: Order suspending visitation and need a status conference - 2025EDR0053 Crowe v Willis

Good morning,

I suspended visitation due to the failed hair follicle drug screen dated October 16th when we received the results on October 29th. I tried to reinstate visitation upon the negative drug screens results received on November 11th, but there were concerns regarding Mr. Willis' sobriety over the weekend. I suspended the visitation again to gather all the facts and get the clinical evaluation results prior to proceeding with visitation.

I am requesting an order suspending visitation and a status conference.

Thank you,

Renee

Renee Bell

EXHIBIT C
MRO-Verified Negative Drug Test Results



Requesting Agency:
 Analyze America Labs, Inc.
 1840 Wrightsboro Road
 Augusta, GA 30904
 Telephone: 706-738-3145

LAN: 05212102
 Specimen ID: 6792647
 Reason For Test: Random
 Date Collected: 11/04/2025
 Date Received: 11/07/2025
 Date Reported: 11/07/2025

Donor Name: Willis, Wayland

SSN/ID: 057-63-1540

Test(s) Requested: Hair 17 Drug Panel

The Hair 17 Drug Panel Test includes the testing of the following:
 Amphetamine, Methamphetamine, MDMA, MDA, Cocaine/Metabolites, Codeine, Morphine, Heroin Metabolite, Hydrocodone, Hydromorphone, Oxycodone, Oxymorphone, Phencyclidine, THC Metabolite, Alprazolam, Clonazepam, Diazepam, Nordiazepam, Lorazepam, Oxazepam, Temazepam, Meperidine, Normeperidine, Methadone, EDDP, Fentanyl, Norfentanyl, Tramadol, Zolpidem, Buprenorphine, Norbuprenorphine, Propoxyphene, Amobarbital, Butalbital, Pentobarbital, Phenobarbital, Secobarbital, Ketamine, Norketamine.

Hair 17 Drug Panel Test Result: Negative

A negative result indicates that none of the drugs listed were detected at a concentration equal to or greater than their listed cutoff levels.

Drugs Tested For	Result	Screening Cut off	Screening Method
Amphetamine	Negative	300 pg/mg	ELISA
Methamphetamines	Negative	500 pg/mg	ELISA
Cocaine/Metabolites	Negative	500 pg/mg	ELISA
Opiates	Negative	200 pg/mg	ELISA
Extended Opiates	Negative	200 pg/mg	ELISA
Phencyclidine	Negative	300 pg/mg	ELISA
Marijuana (THC/Carboxy THC)	Negative	50 pg/mg	ELISA
Benzodiazepines	Negative	100 pg/mg	ELISA
Meperidine/Metabolites	Negative	40 pg/mg	ELISA
Methadone/Metabolites	Negative	200 pg/mg	ELISA
Fentanyl/Metabolites	Negative	40 pg/mg	ELISA
Tramadol	Negative	40 pg/mg	ELISA
Zolpidem	Negative	40 pg/mg	ELISA
Buprenorphine/Metabolites	Negative	40 pg/mg	ELISA
Propoxyphene	Negative	8 pg/mg	ELISA
Barbiturates	Negative	200 pg/mg	ELISA
Ketamine/Metabolite	Negative	500 pg/mg	ELISA

REPORT NOTATIONS

1.5 inches (3.81 cm) - Head Hair

Certified By: John Masimore
 Result Report Version: US.11.2018

Test Version: 5680878.2
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Shaza Deeb
 Laboratory Director



Laboratory Final Report

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fax 706-738-3218

Report To: Reikya Smiley
Analyze America Labs Inc
1840 Wrightsboro Rd
Augusta, GA 30904

Client ID: F052505GA
Client: Analyze America Labs_No MRO
Location:
Collector: REIKYA SMILEY

Sample Information

Specimen ID: 8033023	Test Reason: Random
Donor ID: 057631540	Type: Blood
Lab Sample ID: 4499786	Collected: 11/04/2025 14:01
Donor: WAYLAND WILLIS	Received: 11/05/2025 12:54
	Report Date: 11/06/2025 19:23

Tests Requested

20PETBLDSP	BloodSpot PETH20	Sample Result:	negative
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Results

Test	Results	Quantitation	Screen Limit	Confirm Limit
PHOSPHATIDYL ETHANOL (LCMSMS)	negative		20 ng/mL	

Additional Sample Information

Comments

All screen methods are immunoassay unless otherwise noted.

Test developed and characteristics determined by United States Drug Testing Laboratories. See Compliance Statement on our website http://www.usdtl.com/compliance_statement.

Certification

Data approved by Keon Choi on 11/06/2025

UNITED STATES DRUG TESTING
1700 S. MOUNT PROSPECT ROAD
DES PLAINES, ILLINOIS 60018-1804
Phone 847-375-0770
Fax 847-375-0775



EXHIBIT D

Email From Petitioner to Counsel Dated November 21, 2025

Final Request Attempt: Vis. 11/22-11/23 Inbox x



 **Wayland Braxton Willis** <bhbwillis@gmail.com>
to Holly ▾

8:49 AM (12 hours ago) ☆ 😊 ↶ ⋮

Holly,

I received the new order directing me to complete a clinical evaluation. The order contains no modification to visitation, no suspension of my time, and no language altering the September 17 Temporary Order. As you know, only a judge-signed order can change visitation, and a GAL recommendation alone does not alter the existing schedule.

I have complied fully with every testing requirement; all results have been negative and MRO-verified. My assigned weekend begins shortly. In addition, my grandfather's funeral is on Saturday, and Brooks was expected to attend with me. I notified you, the GAL, and Haley of this several days ago, and no one has addressed how visitation is supposed to proceed under these circumstances.

Given the timing, I need written confirmation today regarding whether visitation proceeds under the September 17 order. If any motion or court order exists that changes my visitation, please forward it to me immediately. If no such order exists, please confirm that visitation remains as previously ordered.

– Wayland Braxton Willis

EXHIBIT E
Timeline of Denied Visitation

EXHIBIT E – TIMELINE OF DENIED VISITATION

November 9–10, 2025

Petitioner appeared ready for court-ordered supervised visitation under the September 17 Temporary Order.

Respondent did **not** make the minor child available.

No written order existed modifying or suspending visitation.

November 16–17, 2025

Petitioner again appeared ready for supervised visitation.

Respondent again refused to make the child available.

As a result, the child missed a **family wedding** on Petitioner’s side.

No written order existed modifying or suspending visitation.

November 23–24, 2025 (Immediate Weekend)

Petitioner is prepared for supervised visitation.

Respondent has indicated she will not comply due to an alleged verbal “suspension.”

This would cause the child to miss **Petitioner’s grandfather’s funeral**, an irreplaceable family event.

No written order exists modifying or suspending visitation.

Summary:

Since the September 17 Temporary Order remains the only controlling written order, Respondent’s repeated refusal to produce the child for supervised visitation represents **ongoing willful non-compliance**, causing immediate and irreparable harm to the parent–child relationship.

EXHIBIT F

Summary of Respondent's Non-Compliance and Obstruction

EXHIBIT F – SUMMARY OF RESPONDENT'S NON-COMPLIANCE

Petitioner provides the following summary of Respondent's pattern of non-compliance with the Court's September 17, 2025 Temporary Order and her ongoing obstruction of reasonable co-parenting communication:

1. **Respondent has not communicated directly with Petitioner since approximately October 10, 2025**, despite the Court's expectation of reasonable co-parenting communication.
2. Respondent **only replies when Petitioner messages her and the Guardian ad Litem simultaneously**, indicating that her communication depends on oversight rather than good-faith participation.
3. Respondent has **ignored or delayed Petitioner's attempts to confirm visitation**, often refusing to respond unless compelled.
4. Respondent has **repeatedly allowed visitation weekends to pass without producing the child**, despite no written order modifying or suspending visitation.
5. Respondent has shown **no willingness to coordinate, cooperate, or engage in the communication required to facilitate the Court-ordered visitation schedule**.
6. This pattern existed prior to October 10 and has **progressively worsened**, resulting in ongoing interference with the parent-child relationship and Petitioner's ability to exercise court-ordered visitation.

These examples reflect a persistent and intentional pattern of non-compliance and obstruction.

Evidence of Communication Interference and Misrepresentation of the Child's Availability

EXHIBIT G – SUMMARY OF COMMUNICATION INTERFERENCE

Petitioner provides the following representative examples of Respondent's interference with reasonable communication with the minor child. These examples demonstrate an ongoing pattern of:

1. Respondent claiming the minor child is "already in bed" even when Petitioner calls **before** the agreed-upon evening communication time or within minutes after.
2. Respondent delaying responses by **20–30 minutes or more**, then stating the child is "already at school," despite Petitioner's timely morning attempts to contact him.
3. Respondent refusing to respond at all unless Petitioner includes the Guardian ad Litem in the message.
4. Respondent providing **inconsistent or implausible explanations** regarding the child's schedule, preventing Petitioner from maintaining regular contact.
5. This behavior interfering with Petitioner's ability to maintain a meaningful relationship with the minor child and representing willful obstruction of communication.

The following screenshots reflect this pattern.

EXHIBIT G-1

Evidence of Respondent denying receipt of Petitioner's calls despite multiple unanswered Facetime attempts. This screenshot shows Petitioner placing two Facetime calls (7:14 PM and 7:41 PM) with no answer, followed by Respondent falsely claiming she only has "one missed call," a recurring pattern Petitioner experiences.

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2 People >

Mon, Sep 15 at 7:49 PM



Does that start today? I FaceTimed at 7:14 and 7:41 and did not get an answer.



Mon, Sep 15 at 8:52 PM



Haley Estelle



 **Braxton Willis** 7:41 PM 
FaceTime Video

 **+1 (405) 548-2251** 2:00 PM 
Oklahoma City, OK

 **+1 (706) 526-3685** 12:20 PM 
Waynesboro, GA

 **Brittany Hyatt (2)** 11:52 AM 
FaceTime Audio

 **Brittany Hyatt (2)** 11:32 AM 
phone

 **My Husband** 10:04 AM 
phone


 **+1 (706) 597-9200**



EXHIBIT G-2 —

Respondent ignoring calls for extended periods and then falsely claiming Petitioner never called or texted.

This screenshot reflects Respondent ignoring communication for 1–2 days, then denying calls or texts she clearly missed. Petitioner repeatedly must text in the group message to obtain any response.

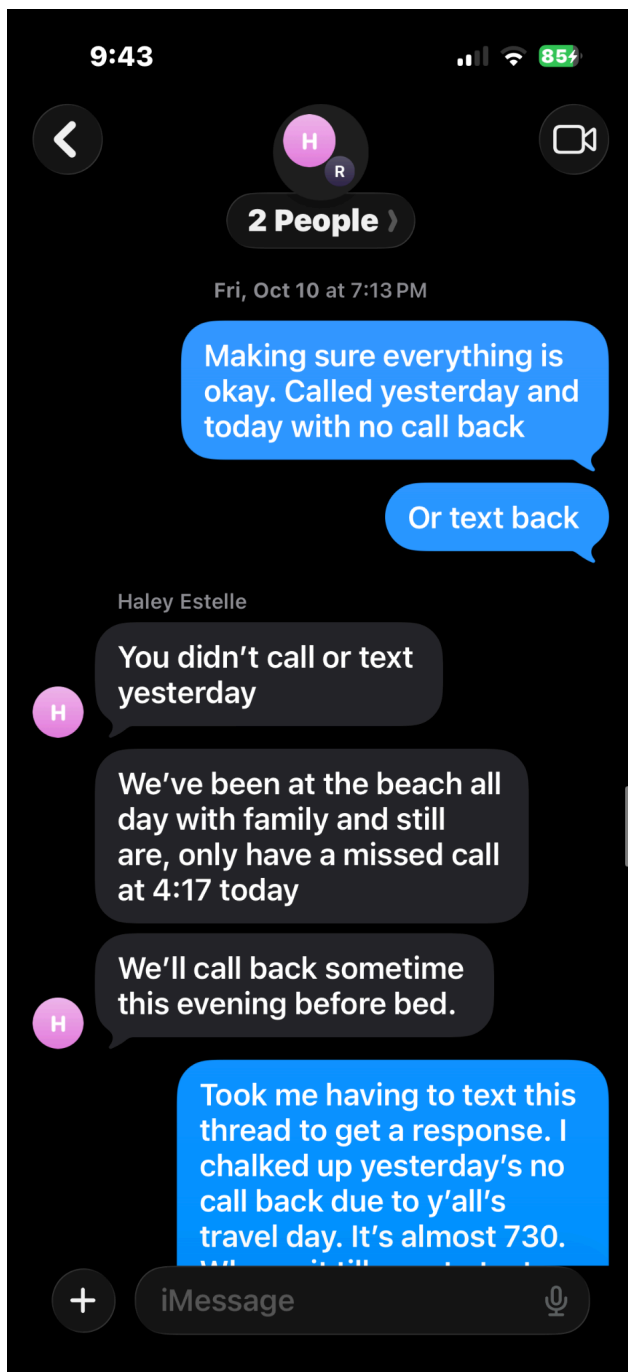


EXHIBIT G-3

Respondent only provides timely or reasonable communication when the Guardian ad Litem is included in the message. This demonstrates a consistent pattern where Respondent refuses communication unless under supervision, obstructing basic co-parenting communication.

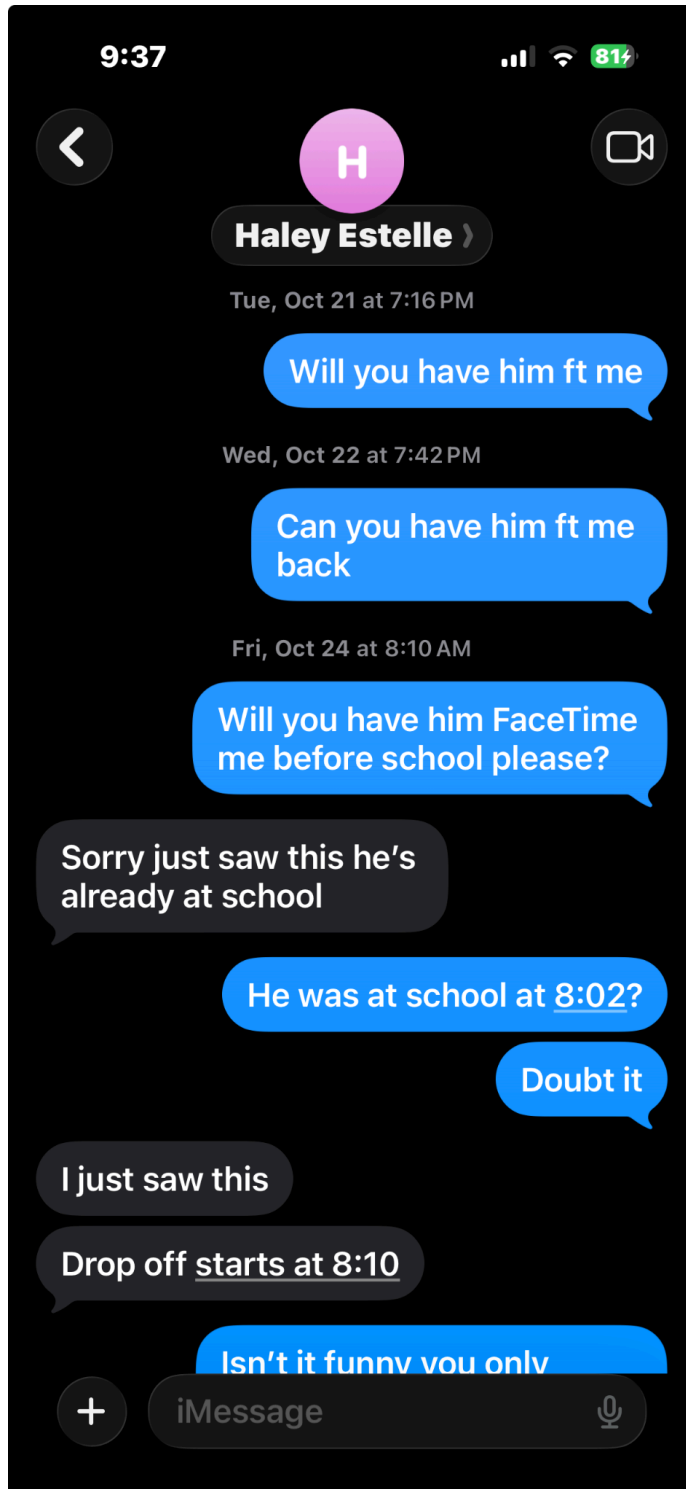


EXHIBIT G-4

— Respondent ignoring significant messages about family events, visitation opportunities, and urgent matters for more than 24 hours.

Petitioner’s detailed and time-sensitive messages were ignored entirely, including requests related to major family events and visitation coordination.

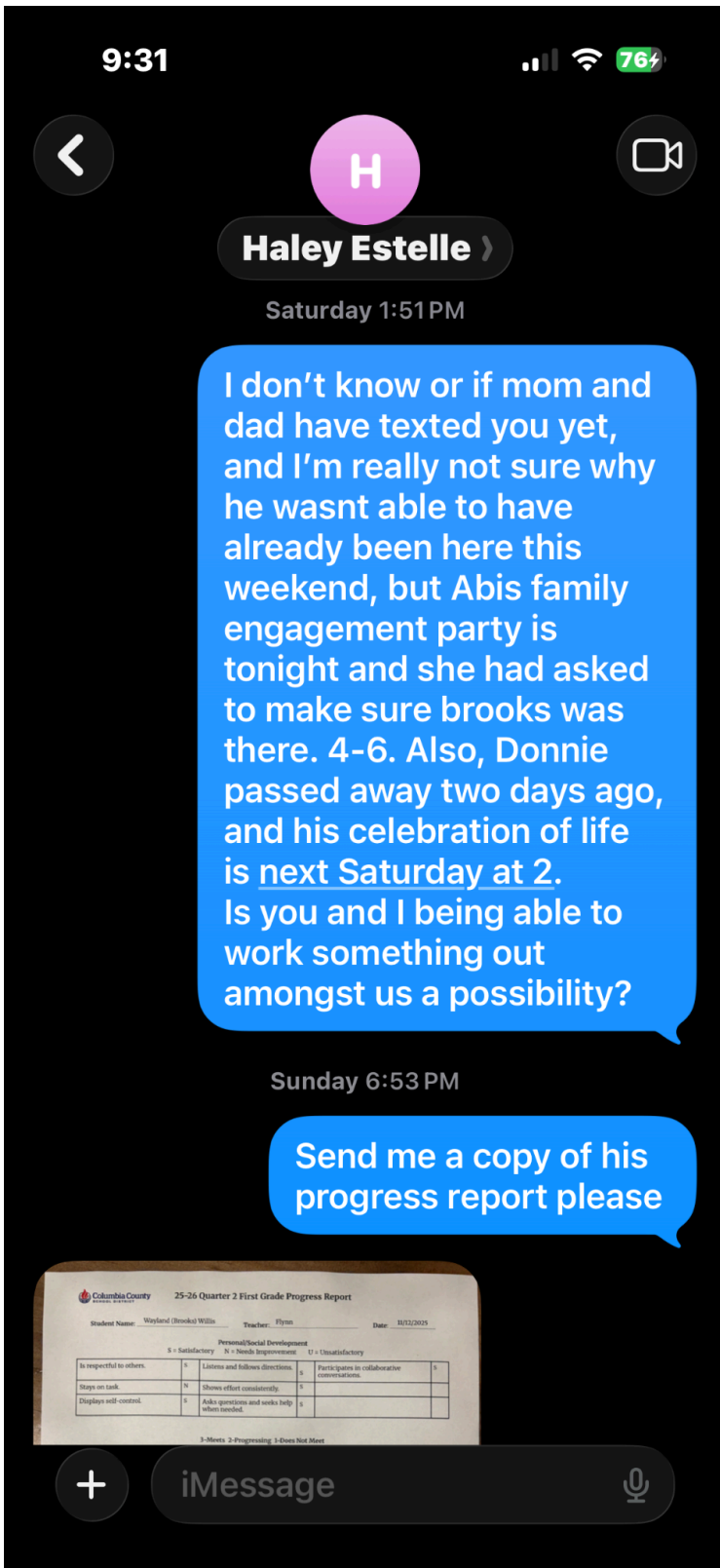


EXHIBIT G-5

— Respondent repeatedly placing the child “already in bed” immediately after missed calls, even when Petitioner calls well before reasonable bedtime. This shows consistent obstruction of nightly communication by claiming the child is unavailable **only after ignoring** Petitioner’s timely calls.

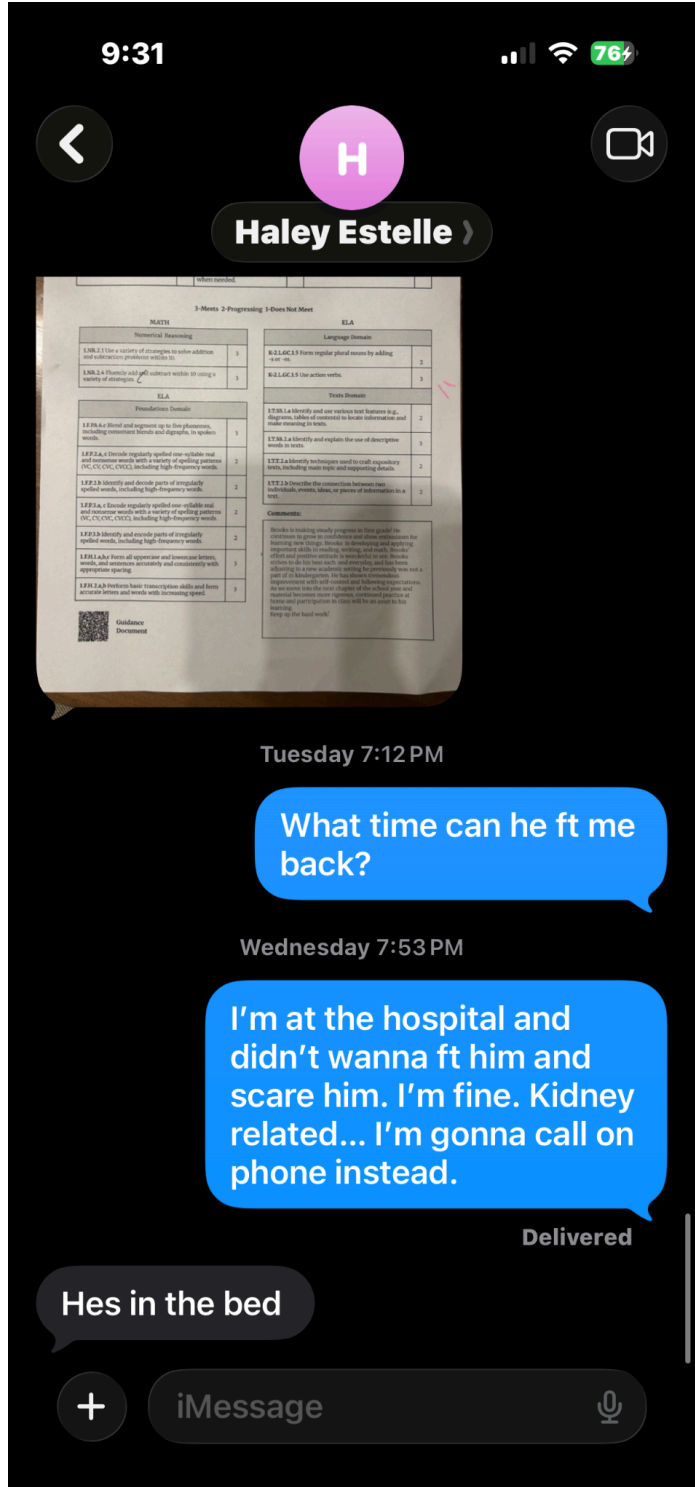


EXHIBIT G-6

— Respondent delaying responses in the morning until claiming the child is “already at school,” even when Petitioner messages well before normal school hours.

This pattern demonstrates deliberate delay and obstruction of morning communication.

This specific morning Oct. 24, father tried to Facetime at 7:55am before texting.

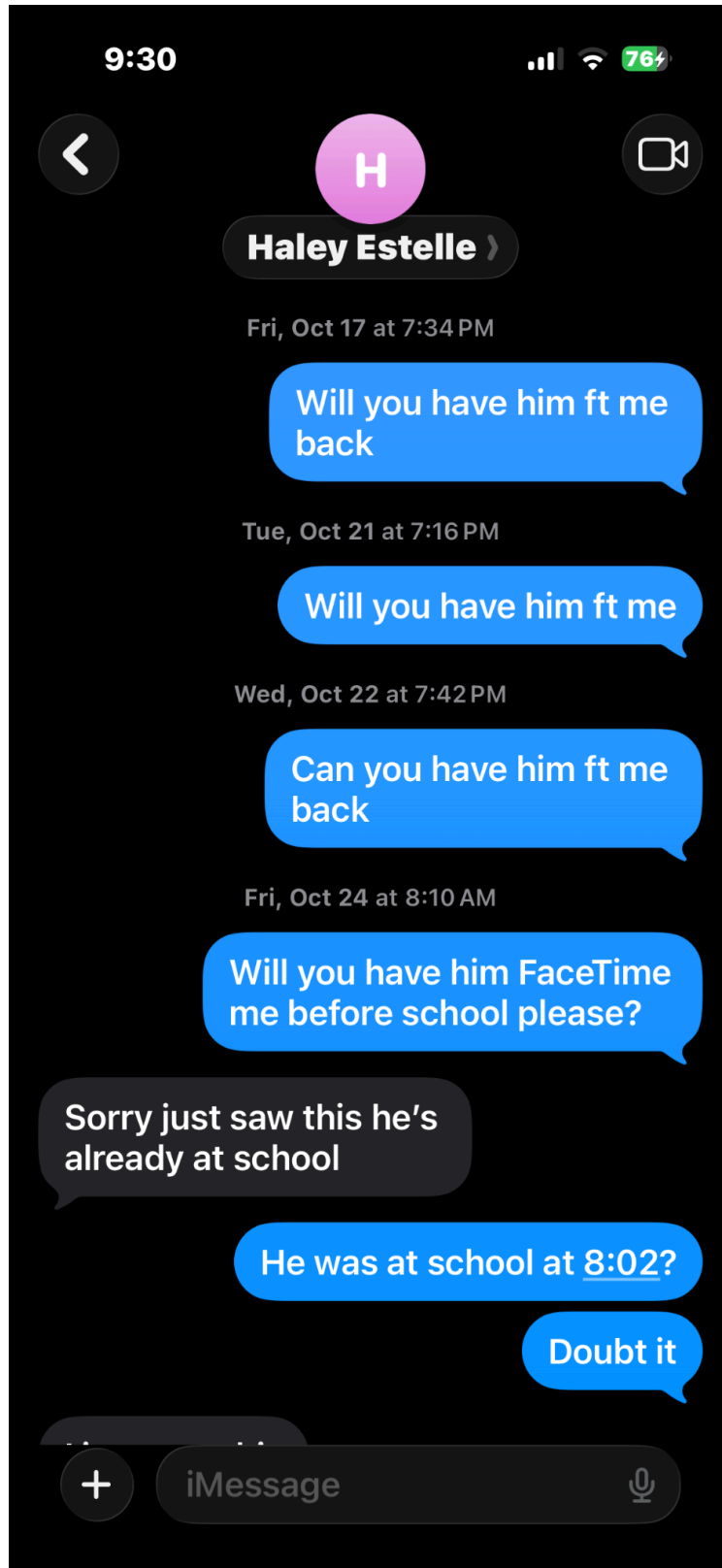


EXHIBIT G-7

Screenshot: Respondent Delaying Morning Responses Until Claiming the Child Is “Already at School,” Despite Petitioner Messaging Well Before Normal School Hours

This screenshot demonstrates another instance of Respondent ignoring multiple timely requests for a morning Facetime call and then replying only after a significant delay to claim the child is “already at school.” Petitioner sent his message **before 8:10 AM**, yet Respondent asserted the child was at school by **8:02 AM**, a timeline inconsistent with the school’s actual drop-off procedures and typical arrival times.

This pattern — delay, ignore, then claim unavailability — mirrors the previous examples and further shows **intentional obstruction** of Petitioner’s communication with the minor child.

