

What To Know

Relocation Cases

10 Commonly Cited Factors Recognized in Relocation Cases

- ① Reasons given for the move
- ② Reasons given for the opposition
- ③ Past history of dealings between the parties insofar as it bears on reasons advanced by both parties for supporting/opposing the move.
- ④ The extent to which the child will receive educational, health and leisure opportunities in each of the states concerned.
- ⑤ Any special needs or talents of the child that require accommodation and whether such accommodation or its equivalent is available in the new location.
- ⑥ Whether a visitation and communication schedule can be developed that will allow the noncustodial parent to maintain a full and continuous relationship with the child.
- ⑦ The likelihood that the custodial parent will continue to foster the child's relationship with the noncustodial parent if the move is allowed.
- ⑧ The effect of the move on the extended family relationships.
- ⑨ If the child is of age, his or her preference.
- ⑩ Whether the child is entering his or her senior year in high school at which point he or she should generally not be moved until graduation without his or her consent.