

*ALBRIGHT V. ALBRIGHT, 437 SO.2D 1003 (Miss1983)*

FACTORS TO CONSIDER IN AWARDING CHILD CUSTODY

1. Polestar consideration is the best interest and welfare of the child;
2. Age of the child;
3. Health and sex of the child;
4. Determination of the parent that has had the continuity of care prior to the separation;
5. Which parent exhibits the best parenting skills and which has the willingness and capacity to provide the primary child care;
6. Employment of the parent and responsibilities of that employment;
7. Physical and mental health and age of the parent;
8. Emotional ties of parent and child;
9. Moral fitness of parents;
10. The home, school and community record of the child;
11. The preference of the child at the age sufficient to express a preference by law;
12. Stability of home environment and employment of each parent and other factors relevant to the parent/child relationship.