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**Scope of Retention Notification  
For Parents of Children Going Through Custody & Visitation  
Adjustments**

This notice is to let you know at the outset of therapy with your child the limits of the therapy. Because of my specialty and training I am the treating therapist for the child only. What this means is that I provide a safe environment and the necessary play therapy materials and techniques for your child to express his or her feelings, thoughts and conflicts regarding the situation he or she may be experiencing at this time. I am trained in Play Therapy, which is a child centered, child led therapy process. I am also trained in the use of cognitive behavioral therapy for depression and anxiety. Your child will work out their difficulties through the play and talking they do in the playroom. What this also means is that this is not the type of therapy to be used in making custody and visitation decisions. Because of California Court Rule 1257.4, this type of therapy requires someone who has taken 40 extra hours of specialized education dealing with the critical issues and factors affecting the health, safety and welfare of children in the context of custody and visitation disputes. If you need this type of process it may be best to contact a "730 evaluator" or special master to the court. These are licensed professionals who are trained to make these types of decisions and have completed the mandated 20 hour Child Custody training for Rule 1257.4.

I look forward to working with your child and helping him or her work through this time of difficulty and transition.

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I have read and agree to this notice (Client signature)

Date\_\_\_\_\_