

TITLE 8: FAMILY LAW AND PROBATE
DIVISION 1: DOMESTIC RELATIONS

§ 1709. Parties.

The child shall be made a party to the action. If he is a minor he shall be represented by his general guardian or a guardian ad litem appointed by the court. The child's mother or father may not represent the child as guardian or otherwise. The court may appoint the Division of Youth Services as guardian ad litem for the child. The natural mother, each man presumed to be the father under 8 CMC § 1704, and each man alleged to be the natural father shall be made parties or, if not subject to the jurisdiction of the court, shall be given notice of the action in a manner prescribed by the court, and opportunity to be heard. The court may align the parties.

Source: PL 4-38, § 9.

Commission Comment: With respect to the reference to the "Division of Youth Services," see Executive Order 94-3 (effective August 23, 1994), reorganizing the executive branch, changing agency names and official titles, and effecting other changes, set forth in the Commission comment to 1 CMC § 2001.