

MULTIPLE FAMILY SUPPORT CALCULATIONS

The workgroup considered the following case studies in making its recommendations to the CSAC. Calculations were performed using Dr. Jane Venohr's net income tables (Schedule B) that were developed for the CSAC.

CASE STUDY 1

- Bob and Betty have one child together, Donna, with Betty having primary residential custody
- Bob's net income is \$2,000 per month and Betty's net income is \$1,000 per month
- Bob pays \$400 per month for his son Dave, who lives with his mother, per court order
- Betty's only child is Donna

Illinois current law

- Bob's net income is \$1,600 after deducting the \$400 child support. 750 ILCS 5/505(a)(3)(g)
- Child support = **\$320** pursuant to the current guidelines. 750 ILCS 5/505(a)(1)

Recommended Approach Using Income Shares: Deducting Order Amount from Net Income

- If Bob's order is deducted from his net income, the total combined adjusted net income of Bob and Betty is \$2,600
- Total support for Donna per the net-income based schedule is \$564
- Bob's support order is **\$347**

Alternate Calculations

- Delaware: Bob's support order would be **\$357**

CASE STUDY 2

- Bob and Betty have one child together, Donna, with Betty having primary residential custody
- Bob's net income is \$2,000 per month and Betty's net income is \$1,000 per month
- Bob has one child at home with his wife
- Betty's only child is Donna

Illinois current law

- Bob's net income is \$2,000 because Illinois law does not have an express provision for residual children
- Bob would Case examples detailing child support calculations for each of these recommendations is attached. pay **\$400**

Recommended Approach Using Income Shares: Imputing a Support Obligation for Children in the Household and Deducting 75% of that Amount from Net Income

- At \$2,000 net per month and 1 child, the net income tables show support at \$435
- If that amount was deducted at 75% (\$326) of that amount from Bob's net income, his adjusted net income would be \$1,674
- The total combined adjusted net income of Bob and Betty is \$2,674
- Total support for Donna per the net-income based schedule is \$574
- Bob must pay **\$359**

Alternate Calculations

- If Illinois Allowed a 100% Deduction for Children in the Household, Bob's support order would be **\$337**
- Delaware: Bob's support order would be **\$357**

CASE STUDY 3

- Bob and Betty have one child together, Donna, with Betty having primary residential custody
- Bob's net income is \$2,000 per month and Betty's net income is \$1,000 per month
- Bob has one child at home with his wife
- Betty has another child at home with her husband

Illinois current law

- Bob's net income is \$2,000 because Illinois law does not have an express provision for residual children
- Bob would pay **\$400**

Recommended Approach Using Income Shares: Imputing a Support Obligation for Children in the Household and Deducting 75% of that Amount from Net Income

- For Bob, at \$2,000 net per month and 1 child, the net income tables show support at \$435
- If that amount was deducted at 75% from Bob's net income, his adjusted net income would be \$1,674
- For Betty, at \$1,000 net per month and 1 child, the net income tables show support at \$218
- If that amount was deducted at 75% (\$164) from Betty's net income, her adjusted net income would be \$836
- The total combined adjusted net income of Bob and Betty is \$2,510
- Total support for Donna per the net-income based schedule is \$543
- Child support = **\$362**

Alternate Calculations

- If Illinois Allowed a 100% Deduction for Children in the Household, Bob's support order would be **\$361**
- Delaware: Bob's support order would be **\$355**

CASE STUDY 4

- Bob and Betty have one child together, Donna, with Betty having custody
- Bob's net income is \$2,000 per month and Betty's net income is \$1,000 per month
- Bob pays \$400 per month for his son Dave, who lives with his mother, per court order
- Bob has one child at home with his wife
- Betty has another child at home with her husband

Illinois current law

- Bob's net income is \$1,600 after deducting the \$400 child support. 750 ILCS 5/505(a)(3)(g). Illinois does not allow further deductions for the residual child
- Child support = **\$320** pursuant to the current guidelines

Recommended Approach Using Income Shares: Deducting the Court Order Support and Imputing a Support Obligation for Children in the Household and Deducting 75% of that Amount from Net Income

- For Bob, at \$1,600 net per month after deducting the \$400 in support paid pursuant to court order, net income tables show \$348 for the child in Bob's household
- If 75% of that amount was deducted (\$261), Bob's adjusted net income would be \$1,339
- For Betty, at \$1,000 net per month and 1 child, the net income tables show support at \$218
- If 75% of that amount was deducted (\$164), Betty's adjusted net income would be \$836
- The total combined adjusted net income of Bob and Betty is \$2,175
- Total support for Donna per the net-income based schedule is \$479
- Child support = **\$295**

Alternate Calculations

- If Illinois Allowed a 100% Deduction for Children in the Household, Bob's support order would be **\$275**
- Delaware: Bob's support order would be **\$320**

CASE STUDY 5

Bob: 2 children at home, \$2,000 standardized net

Betty: Donna plus 2 other children at home with husband, \$1,000 standardized net

Current law = \$400

Recommended for Income Shares = \$327

CASE STUDY 6

Bob: 1 child with order at \$400, 2 children at home, \$2,000 net

Betty: Donna plus 2 other children at home, \$1,000 net from employment, \$1,000 in support for 2 children

If Donna's child support is counted in her net income:

Current law = \$320

Recommended for Income Shares (Order Deducted at 100%, Imputed Support at 75%) = \$260

If Donna's child support is not counted:

Current law = \$320

Recommended for Income Shares (Order Deducted at 100%, Imputed Support Order Deducted at 100%, Imputed Support at 75%) = \$262

CASE STUDY 7

Bob: 1 child with order at \$2,000, 2 children at home, \$10,000 net

Betty: Donna plus 2 children with husband, \$5,000 net

Current law = \$1,600

Recommended for Income Shares (Order Deducted at 100%, Imputed Support at 75%) = \$923

CASE STUDY 8

Bob: 1 child with order at \$400, 1 child at home, 1 child supporting at \$200/month,
\$2,000 net

Betty: Donna plus 2 children who are not receiving any support, \$1,000 net

Current law = **\$320**

Recommended for Income Shares (Imputed Support at 75%, Voluntary
Payment at 75%) = **\$229**