

Holley Factors

Per Holley V. Adams, the following are frequently considered best interest factors:

- the desires of the child
- the emotional and physical needs of the child now and in the future
- the emotional and physical danger (of one parent) to the child now and in the future
- the parental abilities of the individuals seeking custody
- the programs available to assist the parents
- the plans for the child by these individuals
- the stability of both parties' homes and any acts or omissions of a parent which may indicate that the existing parent-child relationship is not a proper one
- any excuse for the acts or omissions of a parent.