

Fifth District Court of Appeal
2424 Ventura Street
Fresno, CA 93721

[insert current date]

Re: Court of Appeal no. [insert appeal case # here – it starts with the letter “F”]

To the Honorable Presiding Justice James Ardaiz:

I [insert your name here] am the appellant in this case and I respectfully request leave to file a supplemental brief in this matter, following the filing of an opening brief by my appointed appellate counsel in which counsel stated that there are no arguable issues in my appeal.

I disagree with counsel and I would like the court to consider that the following arguable issues are present and require review by this court:

- 1.
- 2.
3. *[here, list in numbered paragraphs the issues that you believe require review by the Court of Appeal. You must show for each issue what mistake was made by the juvenile court, and how that mistake has harmed you. It would also assist the court if you can list the record page number(s) where to find the specific issue you are referring to.]*

For these reasons, appellant respectfully requests that the court grant leave for appellant to file a supplemental opening brief raising these issues.

[If you want to request that I be relieved and that you be appointed as your own attorney, include that request in a separate paragraph here.]

Dated: [insert current date]

Respectfully submitted,
[sign your name in blue ink]
[type your name]
[type your address & phone #]

Instructions: Be sure you mail copies to the persons to whom I mailed my document and send one to me too. Their names and addresses are on the Proof of Service, which is the last page in my brief; put “Letter to Fifth District” where it says “Opening Brief.” The Proof of Service

should be signed by anyone over age 18 who is not you and not the child's parent.