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IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF IOWA

No. 4-146 / 93-842

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF CHERYL L. AULWES AND JOHN E. AULWES

Upon the Petition of
CHERYL L. AULWES,

Appellee,

And Concerning
JOHN E. AULWES,

Appellant.

Appeal from the Iowa District Court for Madison County, James W. Brown, Judge.

John appeals the visitation provisions of the parties' dissolution decree, contending he should be awarded more frequent visitation with his daughter. **AFFIRMED.**

John E. Aulwes, Earlham, pro se.

Tom Hyland of Hyland, Laden & Pearson, P.C., Des Moines, for appellee.

Heard by Donielson, C.J., and Hayden and Habhab, JJ.

PER CURIAM

Cheryl and John Aulwes were married on November 1, 1990. Their daughter, Kathryn, was born January 14, 1992. Cheryl is a pediatrician. John has a degree in parks and recreation but is currently unemployed. John has custody of his twelve-year-old son from a previous marriage.

The amount of visitation was the only issue presented to the district court. Cheryl testified she intended to breastfeed Kathryn until she is two years old and opposed overnight visitation until then. She expressed concern about the suitability for visitation of John's residence because there was no electricity or plumbing. Cheryl also testified John was verbally abusive to his son and she did not want Kathryn subjected to the same treatment. John described his mobile home as humble but clean, warm, and safe. He denied being verbally abusive and testified he and his son were undergoing counseling to improve their relationship. John requested more visitation than the nine hours per week proposed by Cheryl.

For the first year, John was awarded visitation every Wednesday from 5 to 8 p.m. and each Saturday or Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Beginning May 1, 1994, John was awarded visitation every other weekend from 9 a.m. Saturday to 4 p.m. Sunday, every Wednesday evening, alternate holidays, time during the child's birthday, and three weeks in the summer. However, no overnight visitation was allowed until John established his residence complied with minimum housing standards.

John appeals. He contends the trial court erred in not granting greater visitation between John and Kathryn. We determine the trial court provided reasonable and adequate visitation and will not disturb this on appeal.

Our review in this matter is de novo. Iowa R. App. P. 4. The governing consideration in establishing visitation rights is the best interests of the child. Petition of Dierling, 421 N.W.2d 168, 171 (Iowa App. 1988). The initial visitation granted by the court is reasonable. Additionally, beginning May 1, 1994, the visitation was enlarged to include overnight stays every other weekend. The appellant provides this court with nothing to support his claim the current visitation order is unreasonable. The visitation ordered by the trial court is affirmed.

AFFIRMED.