

FORGERECEIPTS

A Local-First Evidence Integrity Platform for Pro Se Fathers in Family Court

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ForgeReceipts is a local-first, privacy-preserving evidence integrity platform designed for pro se litigants—particularly fathers—in high-conflict custody and family court proceedings. It transforms how individuals build, organize, and present verifiable records by combining cryptographic hash-chaining, jurisdiction-aware legal guidance, positive parenting documentation, and beginner-accessible procedural support.

Core innovations include hash-chained evidence logging with automatic SHA-256 verification, state-aware legal standards reference, Forensics Mode for chain-of-custody documentation, Time with Child Journal with multimedia hashing, guided filing templates and Odyssey e-filing assistant, and a mobile Progressive Web App with local password protection. All data remains on the user's device with no cloud accounts or telemetry required.

The platform addresses the documentation gap, knowledge gap, and credibility gap that disadvantage self-represented parents, enabling fathers to produce court-admissible, child-focused evidence that directly advances their children's best interests.

THE PROBLEM

In contested custody cases, documentation quality often determines outcomes. Pro se litigants lack tools to produce court-admissible records. Common failures include inconsistent logging, lack of timestamps or corroboration, inability to prove authenticity, poor organization, and failure to connect facts to statutory best interests factors. Fathers frequently face lingering biases and struggle to present evidence of involvement or interference patterns. Digital evidence is vulnerable to alteration claims without cryptographic verification. Children ultimately suffer when fathers cannot effectively document violations or their own positive parenting.

THE SOLUTION

ForgeReceipts operates on four principles: Integrity Over Narrative (hash-chained, verifiable records), Child-First Documentation (every entry requires child impact), Local-First Privacy (all data on user's device), and Empowerment Through Education (legal guidance embedded in workflow).

Architecture includes a hash-chained ledger engine, state-aware legal reference module, forensics and evidence integrity layer, Time with Child Journal, filing and procedure assistant, analytics and decision support, and mobile PWA. Every entry is timestamped and hash-chained; file evidence is SHA-256 hashed at intake with re-verification capability.

CORE FEATURES

- Guided incident logging with auto-suggest legal tags (Guidelines sections, best interests factors, federal rules, UCCJEA)
- State selector with jurisdiction-specific guidelines and national baseline (Troxel, Stanley, federal rules, UCCJEA)
- Forensics Mode with structured chain-of-custody prompts for physical/digital evidence and hash verification
- Time with Child Journal for positive parenting records with hashed photos, videos, and receipts plus private financial tracking
- Pre-formatted filing templates with autofill and Odyssey/general e-filing step-by-step assistant
- Pattern Strength Score, Concern/Sway Meter, Filing Flags, and Next Best Move recommendations
- Mobile PWA with local password protection, offline operation, and cross-device import/export
- Beginner Legal Procedure Guide with plain-English explanations of motions, contempt, GALs, discovery, UCCJEA, and exhibit formatting (Petitioner's Exhibit 1, 2, 3... or Respondent's Exhibit A, B, C... based on user role)

BENEFITS AND IMPACT

ForgeReceipts delivers evidentiary strength through cryptographic proof that rebuts authenticity challenges, procedural empowerment through embedded education and guided templates, psychological and strategic balance via positive parenting documentation, and child protection by enabling fathers to document both interference and their own consistent involvement. The platform levels the playing field for pro se fathers while keeping the child's best interests at the center.

CONCLUSION

ForgeReceipts provides pro se fathers with a cryptographically grounded, jurisdiction-aware, child-focused documentation platform that addresses the systemic disadvantages they face in family court. By enabling verifiable, organized, and strategically framed evidence, it helps courts see the full picture and make decisions that protect children's relationships with both parents. Child's Best Interests First. Integrity Over Narrative. Local Control. Always.