

**Maine Revised Statutes**  
**Title 19-A: DOMESTIC RELATIONS**  
**Chapter 61: MAINE PARENTAGE ACT**

**§1933. PARENTAGE; PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

If a gestational carrier agreement satisfies the requirements of this chapter: [ 2015, c. 296, Pt. A, §1 (NEW); 2015, c. 296, Pt. D, §1 (AFF). ]

**1. Parentage.** The intended parent or parents are by operation of law the parent or parents of the resulting child immediately upon the birth of the child, and the resulting child is considered the child of the intended parent or parents immediately upon the birth of the child.

A. Neither the gestational carrier nor her spouse, if any, is the parent of the resulting child. [ 2015, c. 296, Pt. A, §1 (NEW); 2015, c. 296, Pt. D, §1 (AFF). ]

B. A person who is determined to be a parent of the resulting child is obligated to support the child. The breach of the gestational carrier agreement by the intended parent or parents does not relieve the intended parent or parents of the obligation to support the resulting child; [ 2015, c. 296, Pt. A, §1 (NEW); 2015, c. 296, Pt. D, §1 (AFF). ]

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**2. Parental rights and responsibilities.** Parental rights and responsibilities vest exclusively in the intended parent or parents immediately upon the birth of the resulting child; and

[ 2015, c. 296, Pt. A, §1 (NEW); 2015, c. 296, Pt. D, §1 (AFF) . ]

**3. Laboratory error.** If due to a laboratory error the resulting child is not genetically related to either the intended parent or parents or any donor who donated to the intended parent or parents, the intended parent or parents are considered the parent or parents of the child.

[ 2015, c. 296, Pt. A, §1 (NEW); 2015, c. 296, Pt. D, §1 (AFF) . ]

SECTION HISTORY

2015, c. 296, Pt. A, §1 (NEW). 2015, c. 296, Pt. D, §1 (AFF).

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