



3. Petitioner #1 is employed as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Occupation of Petitioner and the name of employer]

4. The race of Petitioner #1 is \_\_\_\_\_ and the religion is \_\_\_\_\_.

5. Petitioner #2, \_\_\_\_\_, was born on \_\_\_\_\_.

[Name] [Date]  
and resides at \_\_\_\_\_  
[Address]

6. Petitioner #2 is employed as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Occupation of Petitioner and the name of employer]

7. The race of Petitioner #2 is \_\_\_\_\_ and the religion is \_\_\_\_\_.

8. [If co-petitioners] Petitioner #1 and Petitioner #2 are:

- married
- domestic partners
- other \_\_\_\_\_.

9. [If sole petitioner] Petitioner is  married.<sup>1</sup>  
 unmarried.

10. During the past 10 years:

- the Petitioner(s) has/have not been a party in a personal capacity in any criminal, civil, or domestic matters.
- the Petitioner(s) has/have been a party in a personal capacity in the following criminal, civil, or domestic matters [provide caption, case number and name of court, if known]:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

11. [If the prospective adoptee is currently in foster care]

An adoption subsidy agreement  is  is not being requested by the Petitioner(s).

12. The Petitioner(s) is/are fit and able to give the prospective adoptee a proper home and education and wish to treat the prospective adoptee as the Petitioner's/Petitioners' lawful child.

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<sup>1</sup> If the Petitioner is married, consent of the Petitioner's spouse is required.

**Information about prospective adoptee<sup>2</sup>**

13. The name of the prospective adoptee is \_\_\_\_\_, a

- female born on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_.
- male \_\_\_\_\_ [Date, if known] \_\_\_\_\_ [City and State of birth, if known].

14. The prospective adoptee is related to the Petitioner(s) as follows:

- \_\_\_\_\_ [Relationship].
- Petitioner is the prospective adoptee’s step-parent (spouse/domestic partner of the prospective adoptee’s parent)
- not related.

15.  Petitioner(s) and prospective adoptee began residing together in the same home on or about \_\_\_\_\_.

Petitioner(s) and the prospective adoptee are not residing together because \_\_\_\_\_.

16. The race of the prospective adoptee is \_\_\_\_\_ [if unknown, state “unknown”].

17. The religion of the prospective adoptee is \_\_\_\_\_ [if unknown, state “unknown”].

18.  The prospective adoptee was placed with Petitioner(s) by a licensed child-placing agency. The agency is \_\_\_\_\_.

The prospective adoptee was placed with Petitioner(s) as follows [brief description of circumstances]:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

19. During the past five years:

- there have been no other court actions involving the prospective adoptee.
- there are the following other court actions involving the prospective adoptee [provide the name of case, case number, and name of court, if known]:

<sup>2</sup> A separate petition for adoption should be filed for each prospective adoptee

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

20. The combined assets of the prospective adoptee:

- do not exceed \$3,000.00  
 exceed \$3,000 *[itemized list of child's assets]:*

\_\_\_\_\_.

21. The Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children

- is applicable and approval has been received.  
 is applicable and approval has not been received.  
 is not applicable.  
 I/we do not know whether approval is necessary.

22. The Indian Child Welfare Act (25 U.S.C. §1901)

- is applicable and there has been compliance with the Act.  
 is applicable and there has been compliance with the Act.  
 is not applicable.  
 I/we do not know whether the Act is applicable.

23. The Petitioner(s)  has/have received

has not/have not received

medical, social and background information on the prospective adoptee.

24. The prospective adoptee is physically, mentally, and otherwise suitable for adoption by the Petitioner(s).

25. The petitioners wish that the name of the prospective adoptee:

not be changed.

be changed to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Information about birth parents**

*[If information is unknown, that should be stated.]*

26. The prospective adoptee's birth mother is \_\_\_\_\_.

She resides at \_\_\_\_\_.

27. The prospective adoptee's birth father is \_\_\_\_\_.

He resides at \_\_\_\_\_.

28. *[If the birth parent(s) is/are unknown]* The following efforts have been made to identify and locate the unknown birth parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

29. There  is  is not an executed original written consent to adoption by the birth mother.
30. There  is  is not an executed original written consent to adoption by the birth father.
31. There  is  is not an order terminating the parental rights of the birth mother by a court of competent jurisdiction.
32. There  is  is not an order terminating the parental rights of the birth father by a court of competent jurisdiction.
33. There  is  is not an affidavit by a putative father denying paternity.
34. There  is  is not an affidavit by the birth mother that the birth father is unknown.
35. *[If this is a step-parent adoption]* This is a step-parent adoption and my spouse/domestic partner  consents  does not consent.
36. *[If the prospective adoptee was conceived using artificial insemination]*  The prospective adoptee was conceived by a sperm donor other than the biological mother's spouse or domestic partner and, as such, no consent of the sperm donor is required.
37. *[If the prospective adoptee is 14 years of age or older]* There  is  is not a written consent to the adoption from the prospective adoptee.
38. *[If the prospective adoptee was placed by a licensed child placement agency]* The name and address of the agency responsible for securing any required consents or relinquishments is:  
 \_\_\_\_\_.

**WHEREFORE**, the Petitioner requests:

1. That the Court enter a final decree of adoption establishing the relationship of parent and child for all purposes between the Petitioner(s) and the prospective adoptee.
2. That the Court declare that the Petitioner(s) is/are the sole legal parents of the prospective adoptee
3. That the name of the prospective adoptee:
  - not be changed.
  - be changed to \_\_\_\_\_.

4. That the District of Columbia Vital Records Division be ordered to issue an amended certificate of birth for the prospective adoptee naming the Petitioner(s) as parent(s)<sup>3</sup>;
5. That the Court waive the Investigation and Report pursuant to D.C. Code §16-909(a)(2);
6. That the Court waive any consent that may be required by the unknown sperm donor, as he has no legal rights to the prospective adoptee pursuant to D.C. Code § 16-909(e)(2);

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Petitioner #1

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Petitioner #2

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone number

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, ss:**

\_\_\_\_\_, being first duly sworn upon oath, hereby states that s/he has read the Petition for Adoption and that the statements contained in it are true to the best of her/his information and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Petitioner #1**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Deputy Clerk/ Notary Public**

<sup>3</sup> If the prospective adoptee was born in a state other than the District of Columbia, that the Court request that the Vital Records Division issue an amended certificate of birth for the prospective adoptee naming the Petitioner(s) as parent(s)

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, ss:**

\_\_\_\_\_, being first duly sworn upon oath, hereby states that s/he has read the Petition for Adoption and that the statements contained in it are true to the best of her/his information and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Petitioner #2**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ .

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Deputy Clerk/ Notary Public**

**ADOPTION INFORMATION SHEET  
SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
FAMILY COURT  
DOMESTIC RELATIONS BRANCH – ADOPTION**

**EX PARTE IN THE MATTER OF  
THE PETITION OF  
FOR ADOPTION OF MINOR CHILD**

**ADOPTION CASE NO.**

**JUDGE**

**ADOPTION INFORMATION SHEET**

- 1. Petitioner's Full Name:**
2. Petitioner's Address:
3. Petitioner's Phone Number:
4. Petitioner's Date of Birth:
5. Petitioner's Social Security Number:
6. Petitioner's Driver's License No.:
- 7. Minor Child's Full Name:**
8. Minor Child's Address:
9. Minor Child's Phone No.:
10. Minor Child's Date of Birth:
11. Minor Child's Place of Birth:
12. Minor Child's Social Security Number:
- 13. Is the Mother's Affidavit of Paternity attached?**
- 14. Has the Mother's Affidavit of Paternity been filed?**

**15. Please provide the case number of the case in which the affidavit was filed:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**16 Mother's Full Name:**

17. Mother's Last Known Address:

18. Mother's Phone Number:

19. Mother's Date of Birth:

20. Mother's Social Security No.:

21. Mother's Driver's License No.:

**22. Father's Full Name:**

23. Father's Last Known Address:

24. Father's Phone Number:

25. Father's Date of Birth:

26. Father's Social Security No.:

27. Father's Driver's License No.:

**28. Consent from Mother:**

**29. Consent from Father:**

**30. Relinquishment from Mother:**

**31. Relinquishment from Father:**

**32. Termination of Mother's Parental Rights:**

**33. Termination of Father's Parental Rights:**

**34. Social Worker's Agency:**

35. Social Worker's Name:

**36. Next Neglect Hearing Date:**

37. Place of Hearing: Courtroom No. Hearing Room No.

**38. Petitioner's Counsel's Name:**

39. Address:

40. Phone Number:

41. Fax, if any:

42. Email, if any:

**43. Petitioner's Additional Contact Information if not Represented by Counsel:**

44. Fax, if any:

45. Email, if any:

**46. Mother's Counsel's Name:**

47. Address:

48. Phone Number:

**49. Father's Counsel's Name:**

50. Address:

51. Phone Number:

**52. Guardian *Ad Litem*'s Name:**

53. Address:

54. Phone Number:

**55. Petitioner's Relationship to Adoptee:**

**56. Child has Lived with Petitioner Since:**

**57. Petitioner's Marital Status:**

**58. Jurisdiction in Which Petitioner Resides:**

**59. Competing Case:**

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES AGENCY  
VITAL RECORDS FORM FOR ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS**

1. Original name of child \_\_\_\_\_
2. Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name of Natural father \_\_\_\_\_
4. Name of Natural mother (including maiden name) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Birth certificate number if known \_\_\_\_\_
6. Name of child-placing agency \_\_\_\_\_  
(required only when the names of the natural parents are unknown)

In order that there may be a complete record of the history of the adoptive parents as if they were the natural on the new certificate, it will be necessary that the information requested below be furnished.

<b>ADOPTIVE FATHER</b>		<b>ADOPTIVE MOTHER</b>	
Full Name _____		Full Maiden Name _____	
Race _____	Date of birth _____	Race _____	Date of birth _____
Birthplace _____		Birthplace _____	
Occupation _____		Occupation _____	
Usual residence _____		Usual residence _____	
Other children born to, or adopted by this mother ( <b>do not include this child</b> ):			
No. now living _____	No. born alive but now dead _____	No. born dead _____	

**The items regarding the age, occupation, and residence of the adopters are to be furnished as of the date that the adoptee was born.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**ADOPTION NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
FAMILY COURT**

**IN THE MATTER OF**

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**Case No.** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Biological Mother's Affidavit Concerning Paternity**

1. My full name is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Insert the full name of the biological mother and any other names used)

2. I am the biological mother of \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Insert the full name of the child)

whose date of birth is \_\_\_\_\_ and whose place of birth is

\_\_\_\_\_.

3. **(Complete if the biological father is known.)**

\_\_\_\_\_ My initials on the preceding line indicate I believe no one else could be the child's father other than the person whose name appears immediately below and that I am unable to identify anyone else who could be the child's father. (Insert full name of known biological father and any other names used or leave blank if unknown.)

\_\_\_\_\_

4. **(Complete if the biological mother is unsure about the identity of the biological father.)**

\_\_\_\_\_ My initials on the preceding line indicate I am unsure of the identity of the biological father of this child and that I have listed below all of the people known to me who may be the child's father. I have checked the name of the person who I believe is most likely the father. (Insert the full names of possible biological fathers and any other names used. Put a check mark next to anyone who is most likely the father, if there is such a person.)

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

c. \_\_\_\_\_





**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
FAMILY COURT  
DOMESTIC RELATIONS BRANCH – ADOPTION**

**IN THE MATTER OF:** \_\_\_\_\_ ) **ADOPTION CASE NO. \_\_\_\_ ADA \_\_\_\_**  
 )  
 )  
 )  
**THE PETITION OF:** \_\_\_\_\_ ) **JUDGE**  
 )  
 )

**FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MINOR**

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**BIO PARENT CONSENT TO STEPPARENT ADOPTION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being the biological (mother/father) of the minor child \_\_\_\_\_, born on \_\_\_\_\_ (in/out of) wedlock, do hereby consent to the legal adoption of my child by the Petitioner, \_\_\_\_\_.

In the best interests of the minor child, \_\_\_\_\_, I support the Petition of Adoption filed herein and support granting the Petition for Adoption, and I wish to preserve my parental rights as a mother/father of the minor child. I do hereby irrevocably consent to the adoption of the minor child, \_\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_.

I understand that this consent is irrevocable and that I cannot change my mind. I understand that this consent cannot be withdrawn with a court order. This consent is signed by me freely and voluntarily, and without fraud, duress, coercion, or undue influence, before a notary public.

I understand that after the adoption is granted, the petitioner \_\_\_\_\_ and I will have equal rights and responsibilities with respect to the minor child, \_\_\_\_\_, including the right to visitation and child custody, and the responsibility for child support. I understand that my rights to the minor child \_\_\_\_\_ shall be no greater than those of the petitioner, \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

Signature of Birth Parent

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being first sworn under oath, states that he/she has read the Consent and believes that the statements made therein are true to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mother/Father of Minor Child

Subscribed and sworn to before me on \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk/Notary Public



**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
FAMILY COURT  
DOMESTIC RELATIONS BRANCH – ADOPTION**

**EX PARTE IN THE MATTER OF**            )  
  )  
**THE PETITION OF**                            )  
  )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )  
  )  
**FOR ADOPTION OF MINOR CHILD**    )

**CASE NO A** \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSENT OF BIOLOGICAL PARENT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being the biological (father) (mother) of the minor child, \_\_\_\_\_, born on \_\_\_\_\_ (out of) (in) wedlock, do hereby consent to the legal adoption of my child by the Petitioner(s) \_\_\_\_\_ and

\_\_\_\_\_, being fully aware that in the event the Petition for Adoption is granted by this Court, I will lose all parental rights and decision-making authority permanently over this child. In addition, I understand that the minor child's name may be changed to that of the Petitioner(s).

I have discussed this matter fully with my lawyer and have concluded that it is in the best interests of my minor child that this adoption is granted. I, therefore, request that the Court grant the Petition for Adoption and that a Decree be entered legalizing the adoption of the minor child by the Petitioner(s).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Biological Parent

\_\_\_\_\_, being first sworn under oath, states that he/she has read the Consent and believes that the statements made therein are true to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date  
Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Associate Judge/Deputy Clerk/Notary

Subscribed and sworn to before me on \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk/Notary Public