

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

EX PARTE IN THE MATTER OF) **ADOPTION CASE NO. _____**
)
THE PETITION OF)
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[Petitioner's Intials]) **JUDGE JULIET MCKENNA**
)
FOR ADOPTION OF A MINOR CHILD)
)

FINAL DECREE OF ADOPTION

Upon consideration of the Petition for Adoption filed by [Petitioner(s) Name] for the adoption of a minor child, [Adoptee 's Name], and pursuant to D.C. Code §16-317(b)(2)(A)(i-vi)(2010) the Court has made the following findings of fact that (1) the adoptive parents are [Petitioner(s) Name]; (2) the adoptee is [Adoptee's Name]; (3) the adoptee's date of birth is [Date of Birth] ; (4) the adoptee was born in [Foreign City and Country] ; (5) the foreign adoption of [Adoptee's Name] by [Petitioner(s) Name] took place in [Foreign County] on [Date of Adoption and, if applicable the agency, or court that issued the final judgment]; (6) the adoptee's IR-3 Immigrant Visa was issued on [Date] for [Adoptee's Name on Visa] by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services; and (7) that the adoption form has been completed pursuant to Section 10 of the Vital Records Act of 1981, D.C. Code Ann. § 7-209 (Supp. 2003).

Accordingly, it is now by the court this ____ day of [Month], 2011.

ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED:

1.That a Final Decree of Adoption be, and hereby is, entered establishing the legal relationship of natural parent and natural child for all purposes between [Insert Petitioner(s) Name], the petitioners, and [Adoptee's Name], the adoptee, to the same extent as if the adoptee had been

naturally born to the petitioner.

2. That the name of the adoptee shall [remain **Insert Name**] or [be and is hereby legally changed to **Insert New Name**].

3. That **[Petitioner(s) Name]** be, and hereby are, declared to be the legal parents of **[Adoptee's Name]**.

4. That the District of Columbia be, and hereby is, ordered to issue a new Certificate of Foreign Birth for the adoptee, **[Adoptee's Name]**, naming **[Petitioner(s) Names]** as **[his/her]** parents.

5. That the Clerk of the court is hereby authorized and directed to furnish four certified copies of this Final Decree of Adoption [to the petitioner] or [to the petitioner through the petitioners' counsel of record in this matter].

SO ORDERED.

Judge Juliet J. McKenna