

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

<b>In the matter of</b>	:	
	:	<b>Docket No. 2022 BCN 212</b>
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<b>Tiffany Corder,</b>	:	
<b>Applicant</b>	:	<b>Judge Jennifer A. Di Toro</b>
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**ORDER TO SERVE BY POSTING**  
**AND NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO CHANGE NAME OF A MINOR TO JOHN**  
**ALLEN PIPER**

This case is before the Court upon consideration of Ms. Tiffany Corder’s (“Applicant”) Application to Change Name of a Minor, filed September 1, 2022, on behalf of the minor child, Leo RaShard Piper, born on July 26, 2019. The Application seeks to change the minor’s name from Leo RaShard Piper to **LEO CHASE RUSSELL**.

The subject minor child’s biological father, John Allen Piper, has failed to file an answer as he has not been served with notice of the instant litigation, to which he is an interested party. Applicant does not know Mr. Piper’s current whereabouts to enable her to properly serve him and give him notice of the above-captioned court proceeding in which he is an interested party. Applicant testified that she has not had contact with Mr. Piper or any of his acquaintances or relatives since 2019.

Before an Order allowing Service by Publication or Posting may be issued, the plaintiff must furnish the Court with the following:

- (1) the time and place at which the parties last resided together;
- (2) the last time the parties were in contact with each other;
- (3) the name and address of the last employer of the Defendant either during the time the parties resided together or at a later time if known to the Plaintiff;
- (4) the names and addresses of those relatives known to be close to the Defendant; and
- (5) any other information which could furnish a fruitful basis for further inquiry by one truly bent on learning the present whereabouts of the Defendant.

From such basic information, the Plaintiff should then detail for the Court the particular efforts which have been made in the effort to ascertain the Defendant's present address. *Bearstop v. Bearstop*, 377 A.2d 405, 408 (D.C. 1977).

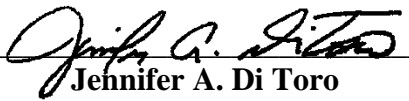
Based on Applicant's testimony, the Court found that Applicant's efforts to serve Mr. Piper would be futile. She testified, and the Court credited, that she and Mr. Piper do not have relatives or friends in common with whom they are in contact, and that the parties have not spoken since 2019.

Accordingly, it is this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022, hereby

**ORDERED** that this Order and a copy of the Application to Change Name of a Minor shall be posted in the Clerk's Office of the Family Division of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for a period of twenty-one (21) calendar days from the date of this Order in order to serve Mr. Piper and notify him of the present case in which he is an interested party. It is further

**ORDERED** that the parties appear for a default hearing on the Application to Change Name of a Minor on **Thursday, November 17, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. in Courtroom JM-12** via Webex. Failure of the interested party to appear may result in the entry of a judgment by default.

**SO ORDERED.**

  
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Jennifer A. Di Toro  
Associate Judge

Copies to:

Tiffany Corder via Mail  
*Applicant*

John Allen Piper

*By posting  
Interested Party*

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONNECTING TO WEBEX – COURTROOM JM-12**

### **Laptop/Desktop Users (1):**

#### **METHOD 1:**

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2. Click Join Meeting and make sure your microphone is muted and your video is unmuted (if you need to be seen). If you only need to speak and do not need to be seen use the audio only option.
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### **Laptop/Desktop Users (2):**

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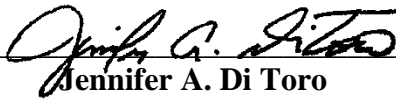
**ORDER CONTINUING CASE**

The above-captioned matter was scheduled to come before the court on October 27, 2022, at 10:30am. Due to scheduling conflicts, the court must continue the above-captioned matter.

Accordingly, it is this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022, hereby

**ORDERED** that the matter is **CONTINUED**. The parties shall appear for the Hearing on Application to Change Name on **Thursday, November 17, 2022, at 10:30am in Courtroom JM-12 via WebEx<sup>1</sup>**. Failure to appear may result in a default or dismissal.

**SO ORDERED.**



**Jennifer A. Di Toro**  
**Associate Judge**  
*Signed in Chambers*

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<sup>1</sup> Instructions for accessing the virtual court room are attached.

Copies to:

Tiffany Corder via Mail  
*Petitioner*

John Allen Piper via Posting  
*Biological Father*