

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
ORPHANS' COURT DIVISION**

IN RE: Adoption of _____

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No.

(Adoptee's name exactly as it appears on birth certificate)

**PETITION FOR VOLUNTARY RELINQUISHMENT
OF ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS AND DUTIES TO ADULT**
23 Pa.C.S. §2502

TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:
The following is respectfully represented:

1. The petitioner(s) allege(s) the following information regarding each parent: [See Pa Orphans' Court Rule 15.3]

a. Biological Mother:

b. Legal Father:

Name:
(full name including complete middle name)

Name:
(full name including complete middle name)

Address:

Address:

Age:

Age:

Race:

Race:

Religious Affiliation:

Religious Affiliation:

Maiden name, if applicable:

2. If the legal father is not also the biological or putative father, attached is the relevant information, unless the Court, for cause shown, has determined that such information is not essential.

3. Marital status of the mother at the time of the birth of the child and during one year prior thereto:

a. If the mother has ever been married, the name(s) of her husband(s) is/are:

b. If the child was born out of wedlock, do the mother and father intend to marry? Yes No

4. With respect to said child:

Name: _____ Sex: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Race: _____ Religion: _____

5. Since _____ (insert date), the child has been in the continuous care of the following adult(s):

Name: _____

Address:

6. The reason(s) for seeking the relinquishment is/are:

7. A Report of Intention to Adopt was filed on _____ Date _____ None Filed.

8. Each petitioner understands the petition, has considered the alternatives, and has executed the petition voluntarily to promote what the petitioner believes to be in the petitioner's and the child's best interest.

9. Attached is the original birth certificate or certification of registration of birth of the child and the separate consent of the adult or adults to accept custody of the child until such time as the child is adopted.

WHEREFORE, the petitioner(s) hereby pray(s) the Court for permission to relinquish forever all parental rights and duties with respect to said child and to enter a decree of termination of all such rights and duties, awarding custody to the said adult(s), all as provided in 23 PA.C.S. §2521, fully understanding that such child may be adopted without notice to any petitioner and without power or right in him or her to object thereto.

Petitioner

Attorney

Petitioner

Parent and or Guardian, if Petitioner is under the age of eighteen (18) years, unless excused by this Court.

VERIFICATION

This ____ day of _____, 20____, the foregoing Petitioners hereby verify, subject to the penalties of 18 PA.C.S. §4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities), that the facts set forth in the foregoing petition which are within their knowledge are true, and as to the facts based on information received, after diligent inquiry, they believe them to be true.

Petitioner

Petitioner

ORDER OF COURT

AND NOW, TO WIT, this ____ day of _____, 20____, the foregoing petition is ordered filed, and a private hearing thereon is fixed for at ____ .m., in Courtroom number _____ in the York Judicial Center at York, Pennsylvania.

At least ten (10) days notice of the hearing in the form prescribed by 23 PA.C.S. §2503(b) shall be given to each petitioner, to the other parent (unless waived), to the putative father whose parental rights could be terminated pursuant to 23 PA.C.S. §2503(d), and to the parents or guardian of a petitioner who has not reached 18 years of age by personal service, service at his or her residence on an adult member of the household, or by registered or certified mail to his or her last known address.

BY THE COURT:

Judge

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**CONSENT TO ACCEPT CUSTODY OF CHILD
23 PA.C.S. §2502(b)**

The undersigned adult or adults, having care of _____ who was
born on _____ at _____ and for whom a Petition for Voluntary
Relinquishment of parental rights is about to be presented to the Court under 23 PA.C.S. §2502, hereby
consent to accept custody of said child with the intention of adopting said child, and have filed a Report of
Intention to Adopt as required by 23 PA.C.S. §2531 on _____ .

Dated: _____

