

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

**IN RE: Adoption of**

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

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

**PETITION FOR ADOPTION UNDER 23 PA.C.S. §2701  
Petitioner(s) must comply with Pa. O.C. Rule 15 and Y.C.O.C.R. 15.13**

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

**1. List name(s) and address of petitioner(s):**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Marital Status** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Marriage** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **resided at**  
**the above address continuously since** \_\_\_\_\_. **other addresses for the past five years**  
**include:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Age** \_\_\_\_\_ **Social Security Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Religious Affiliation** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth** \_\_\_\_\_ **Birthplace** \_\_\_\_\_ **Racial background** \_\_\_\_\_

**Occupation** \_\_\_\_\_ **Employer** \_\_\_\_\_ **Income** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship, if any, to adoptee** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Marital Status** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Marriage** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **resided at**  
**the above address continuously since** \_\_\_\_\_. **other addresses for the past five years**  
**include:** \_\_\_\_\_.

Additional Information:

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ Religious Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Racial background \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Income \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship, if any, to adoptee \_\_\_\_\_

If married, Petitioners were married on \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The following facts are alleged regarding the proposed adoptee:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Racial Background: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Said adoptee has resided continuously with Petitioner(s) since: \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Petitioners desire to adopt the said adoptee as one of their heirs, with the establishment of relationship of parent and child and declare that they will perform all the duties of parents to said adoptee.

5. The reports under 23 PA.C.S. §2530 (relating to Home Study and Pre-Placement Report) §2531 (relating to Report of Intention to Adopt) and §2533 (relating to Report of Intermediary) have been filed on \_\_\_\_\_ and are attached here to.  
If these reports are not required, the reason(s) they are not required is/are:

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

6. All consents required by 23 PA.C.S. §2711 (relating to consents to adoption) are attached as exhibits to this Petition. If not, the reasons those consents are not required are as follows:

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

7. All **other exhibits** required by 23 PA.C.S. §2701 are attached to this Petition, including the following exhibits enumerated in §2534:

- Adoptee's **birth certificate** or registration of birth. If not available compliance with §2701(9) is required.
- Certified copy of any **decree of termination of parental rights** by another court.

- Certified copy of any Court Order for guardianship or custody of the child
- Certified copy of any Court Order concerning placement of the child.
- Copy of the approval document from Interstate Compact on Placement of Child, if applicable.
- Proof of service of notice of Act 101 to all required recipients as outlined in 23 PA.C.S. 2733(c).

If these exhibits are not attached to this Petition, the reasons those exhibits are not attached are as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

8. All background reports and clearances as required by 23 PA.C.S. §6344 and York OC 15.3 certifications have been filed on \_\_\_\_\_ or are being filed with this Petition.

9. The name and address of the intermediary, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

10. If there is no intermediary or if no report of the intermediary has been filed or if the adoptee is age 18 or older, all vital statistics and other information enumerated and required to be stated of record by 23 PA.C.S. §2533, so far as applicable, are represented as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

11. If an agreement for post-adoption contacts and communication has been negotiated and executed by the Prospective Adoptive Parents and one or more birth relatives, a petition to approve the executed proposed agreement for post-adoption contact and communication has been submitted and is pending before the court or is being filed under a separate petition simultaneously with the filing of this petition.

12. Petitioner(s) desire the minor adoptee's name be changed to \_\_\_\_\_ if the Court grants this Petition for Adoption. (See York O.C Rule 15.13 (f) Adult Adoption/Change of Name)

**WHEREFORE**, your Petitioner(s), believing and alleging that the welfare of the said adoptee will be promoted by the adoption, pray your Honorable Court for a Decree of Adoption providing that the person proposed to be adopted shall have all the rights of a child and heir of your Petitioner(s) and be subject to the duties of such child.

**VERIFICATION**

I, Petitioner, verify that the statements made in this Petition for Adoption are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. I understand that the statements made herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 PA.C.S. §4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Petitioner)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Petitioner)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Attorney for Petitioner(s) & Supreme Court ID No.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Phone Number)

**CONSENT BY ADOPTEE**

I, the undersigned proposed adoptee named in the within Petition for Adoption, being over twelve years of age, hereby assure the Court that I fully understand the nature and consequence of the adoption and hereby consent to my adoption as requested in the with Petition.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Adoptee

The undersigned two witnesses hereby certify that the above adoptee signed the above consent in our presence on the above date.

Printed Name(s)	Address	Relationship to Adoptee
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of First Witness

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Second Witness