



# Checklist of Forms Change of Name for Adult

Massachusetts Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court

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*REQUIRED	<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Petition to Change Name of Adult (CJP 27)</a>	<p>This form must be signed in the presence of a Notary Public.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> You may be asked to provide a photo identification with your <b>current legal name</b>.</p> <p>Contact the Notary Public for more information on what proof they require.</p> <p>To find a Notary Public go to: <a href="https://www.mass.gov/service-details/find-a-notary-public">https://www.mass.gov/service-details/find-a-notary-public</a></p> <p>For a sample form: <a href="#">Probate and Family Court Petition to Change Name of Adult (CJP 27)   Mass.gov</a></p>
*REQUIRED	<input type="checkbox"/>	A certified copy of your birth record (certificate)	<p>You <b>must</b> file a certified copy of your birth record (certificate).</p> <p><a href="#">How to request a certified copy of your birth record (certificate) from Massachusetts</a></p> <p><a href="#">How to request a certified copy of your birth record (certificate) if you were born elsewhere</a></p> <p><b>Note:</b> If you were born out of state and plan to bring evidence of your name change back to that state, you may need to provide additional information to the court. Please contact the state where you were</p>

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			born for more information on updating your name in that state.  <b>Note:</b> If a certified copy of the birth certificate is in another language, it <b>must</b> include a written translation signed by the person translating the birth certificate with a statement that they are fluent in the foreign language and English and that the translation is a true and accurate translation.
<b>*REQUIRED</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Court Activity Record Information (CARI) and Warrant Management System (WMS) Release Request form (CJP 34)</a>	
<b>*REQUIRED if you have changed your name before.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Certified copy of any prior name change	Common name change documents include, but are not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Certified copies of Judgments or Decrees of Divorce</li><li>• Marriage Certificates</li><li>• Certified copies of Decrees, Orders, or Judgments of name changes</li><li>• Certificates of Change of Name</li><li>• Certificates of Naturalization</li></ul>
<b>MAY NEED</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Motion (CJD 400)</a>	Use this form to make additional requests to the court. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Motion to waive the publication requirement.</li><li>• Motion to impound part or all of your case.</li><li>• Motion to waive notarization requirement.</li></ul>

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