

**PETITION FOR THE
ADOPTION OF A MINOR**

DOCKET NUMBER

**Trial Court of Massachusetts
Juvenile Court Department**

DIVISION

(If petitioner is married, his/her spouse must sign the petition.)

Petitioner No. 1

Petitioner No. 2

(PRINT name of petitioner)

(PRINT name of petitioner)

(street address)

(street address)

(city or town/state/zip code)

(county)

(city or town/state/zip code)

(county)

(telephone number)

(telephone number)

state that they are (he/she is) desirous of adopting the following child:

1. _____
(name of child)

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

(name of mother or parent No. 1)

(name of father or parent No. 2)

(street address)

(street address)

(city or town/state/zip code)

(city or town/state/zip code)

2. The petitioner(s) is(are) of sufficient ability to rear the child, and to provide suitable support and education for the child; and

3. ☐ the child has resided for at least six months in the home of the petitioner(s).
☐ the child was the subject of a proceeding pursuant to M. G. L. c. 210, § 3 or pursuant to M. G. L. c. 119, § 26 wherein the Court dispensed with the need for consent or notice to the parent(s) on a petition for adoption.
☐ the child was the subject of a surrender which was executed pursuant to M. G. L. c. 210, § 2. At the time of her surrender, the mother was _____ years old. At the time of his surrender, the father was _____ years old.
☐ the child is a blood relative or stepchild of the petitioner(s).
☐ the child is in the care and custody of the petitioner(s).

WHEREFORE, they (he/she) request(s) that the Court, grant them (him/her) leave to adopt said child; and (if applicable)

- ☐ waive the residence requirement for good cause: (explain)

- ☐ decree that said child's name be changed to that of _____

Date: _____

Signature of Petitioner No. 1

Signature of Spouse/Petitioner No. 2

This petition is sponsored, recommended and approved by _____
a charitable corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the purpose of engaging in
the care of children and principally so engaged.

CHILD'S CONSENT

I, _____, being above the age of twelve years hereby consent to this adoption as
(PRINT name of child)
requested above.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

NOTARIZATION

The above named child _____ made an oath before me on _____
(name of child) (date)
that this consent is his/her free act and deed.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

AFFIDAVIT OF PETITIONER(S) FOR ADOPTION

Petitioner No. 1

Petitioner No. 2

(PRINT name of petitioner, including maiden name if applicable)

(PRINT name of petitioner)

(street address)

(street address)

(city or town/state/zip code)

(city or town/state/zip code)

(telephone number)

(telephone number)

(date of birth)

(date of birth)

(place of birth: city/town, state, county, country)

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(occupation at the time of adoption)

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I (We) hereby request that a certificate of this adoption be sent to the city or town clerk of the place of birth of the child, and
that the clerk of the records amend the birth certificate of the child to reflect this adoption.

Signature of Petitioner No. 1

Signature of Petitioner No. 2

NOTARIZATION

The above signed made oath before me on _____
that this affidavit is his/her free act and deed.

Notary Public: _____

Print Name: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

The above signed made oath before me on _____
that this affidavit is his/her free act and deed.

Notary Public: _____

Print Name: _____

My Commission Expires: _____