

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE _____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
_____ COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF:)

_____ and)
_____,)
Husband and Wife,)

TO ADOPT)

_____,)
A Minor.)

No. _____

PETITION FOR ADOPTION

Now come the petitioners, _____, and they
allege as follows:

1. They are husband and wife, of lawful age, and under no legal disability. They reside in the City of _____, County of _____ and State of Illinois. The male petitioner, _____ has resided in the State of Illinois for a period of _____ years immediately preceding the filing of this Petition, and the female petitioner, _____ has resided in the State of Illinois for a period of _____ years immediately preceding the filing of this Petition.

2. They desire to adopt _____, a male/female minor child who is about _____ years of age and who was born on _____, at _____, in _____ County, _____. The child is in the custody of and resides with the petitioners.

3. The mother of the child is _____, and she is the female petitioner in this cause. The father is _____.

4. The mother and father of the child were not married. Paternity was established by _____
_____.

5. The mother married _____, the male petitioner herein, on _____, and the mother consents to the adoption of the minor child by the petitioners herein, and her consent is evidenced in writing by the mother signing her name to this Petition for Adoption.

6. The biological father of the said child is _____ who resides in _____, _____ County, _____.

7. The petitioners are reputable people of good moral character with sufficient ability and financial means to rear, nurture, and educate the said child in a suitable and proper manner.

8. The biological father is an unfit parent in that he has abandoned and deserted the minor child for more than three months proceeding the commencement of this adoption and has failed to maintain a reasonable degree of interest, concern or responsibility as to the minor child's welfare.

Your petitioners make _____, a minor, and _____, the father, parties defendant to this cause, and

THE PETITIONERS REQUEST OF THIS COURT:

A. For leave to adopt as their own child the said minor and for leave to change the name of the said minor child to _____.

B. For such further relief and for the entry of such additional order or orders as may be necessary or appropriate in this proceeding.

Petitioner

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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
COUNTY OF _____) SS:

_____ and _____, husband and wife, being first duly sworn on oath depose and say that they have signed their name to the above and foregoing PETITION FOR ADOPTION, that they know the contents thereof and that the matters alleged in it are true.

Petitioners

Signed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public