

At a term of the Family Court of the
State of New York, held in and for the
County of _____,
at _____, New York,
on _____, _____.

PRESENT:

Hon.

Judge

.....
In the Matter of the Adoption of
A Child Whose First Name Is

(Docket) (File) No.

ORDER OF
ADOPTION
(Agency)

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The Petition of _____ (and _____), verified the
day of _____, _____, having been duly presented to this Court, together with an agreement on
the part of the petitioning adoptive parent(s) to adopt and treat as (his)(her)(their) own lawful child the
adoptive child having the given first name of _____
and whose full name is _____, and whose birth day is _____, _____, and who
was born at _____, _____, as set forth in the verified schedule attached to the
petition for adoption and having been made a part thereof; together with a document setting forth all
available information comprising the adoptive child's medical history; together with the affidavit(s) of
and the consent(s) of _____

[Delete if inapplicable]: AND together with the written post-adoption contact agreement,
consented to by Petitioner(s), by the child's birth parent(s)[specify]: _____,
by the child's attorney for the child [specify]: _____, by the child's sibling(s) or
half-sibling(s) [specify; delete if inapplicable] : _____
and by the child, attached and incorporated into this Order;¹

AND, although (his)(her)(their) consent(s) (is)(are) not required, the Court having given notice
of the proposed adoption to [specify]: _____

AND the above-named petitioning adoptive parent(s) and the adoptive child and all other
persons whose consents are required having personally appeared before this Court for examination,
(except [specify]: _____);

[Required in cases involving Native-American children; check if applicable]:

¹ NOTE: If a post-adoption contact agreement is incorporated into this order, the court-ordered
agreement, but not this Order, shall be given to the birth parents.

And the following having been duly notified [check applicable box(es)]:
 parent/custodian tribe/nation United States Secretary of the Interior;
And the tribe/nation having: appeared not appeared;

AND the agency having obtained a New York State and national criminal history of the petitioning adoptive parents and adults over 18 residing in their home and [check applicable box]:
 such check having revealed no disqualifying convictions, as provided in Section 378-a of the Social Services Law;

such check having revealed that Petitioner [specify]: _____ was criminally convicted but the Court having determined that denial of Petitioner's petition will create an unreasonable risk of harm to the physical or mental health of the child and that granting the petition will not place the child's safety in jeopardy and will be in the best interests of the child, pursuant to Social Services Law §378-a(2)(e)(1);

such check having revealed that another adult over 18 in the home [specify]: _____ was criminally convicted but the Court having determined that adoption by the Petitioner(s) will nonetheless be in the child's best interests;

AND an investigation having been ordered and made and the written report of such investigation having been filed with the Court, as required by the Domestic Relations Law;

[Check if applicable]: AND the verified report of _____, the authorized agency, dated _____, is hereby accepted, pursuant to section 113 of the Domestic Relations Law, as the report of investigation required by section 112 of the Domestic Relations Law;

AND the adoptive child having resided with the petitioning adoptive parent(s) since [specify date]: _____ and [check box, if applicable]: the judge having dispensed with the three month period of residency with the adoptive parent(s), pursuant to section 112 of the Domestic Relations Law because [specify]: _____

AND the court having inquired of the statewide central register of child abuse and maltreatment and having been informed that [check applicable box(es)]:

Neither the adoptive parent(s) (is) (are) not the subject of, or another person named in, an indicated report filed with such register as such terms are defined in section 412 of the Social Services Law);

The adoptive parent(s) (is) (are) the subject of, or another person named in, an indicated report filed with such register as such terms are defined in section 412 of the Social Services Law, as follows [specify]: _____

and the Court having given due consideration to the information contained therein;

AND this Court having determined that the best interests of the adoptive child will be promoted by the adoption and that there is no reasonable objection to the proposed change of the name of the adoptive child;

NOW, on motion of _____, attorney for the petitioner(s) herein, and upon all the papers and proceedings herein, it is

ORDERED that the petition of _____ (and _____) for the adoption of [specify]: _____, a person born on [specify date]: at [specify]: _____, is allowed and approved; and it is further

ORDERED that the adoptive child shall henceforth be regarded and treated in all respects as the lawful child of the adoptive parent(s); and it is further

ORDERED that the name of the adoptive child is changed to [specify]: and that the adoptive child shall hereafter be known by that name; and it is further

ORDERED that the Clerk prepare, certify and deliver to [specify]: a copy of this order; and it is further

ORDERED that the child's medical history; heritage of the parents, which shall include nationality, ethnic background and race; education, which shall be the number of years of school completed by the parents at the time of the birth of the adoptive child; general physical appearance of the parents at the time of the birth of the adoptive child, including height, weight, color of hair, eyes, skin; occupation of the parents at the time of birth of the adoptive child; health and medical history of the parents at the time of birth of the adoptive child, including all available information setting forth conditions or diseases believed to be hereditary, any drugs or medication taken during pregnancy by the mother; and other information which may be a factor influencing the child's present or future well-being; and talents, hobbies and special interests of the parents as contained in the petition, shall be furnished to the adoptive parent(s); and it is

[Check box if applicable]: ORDERED that the post-adoption contact agreement, which was approved as being in the child's best interests by the Court that approved the child's conditional surrender and which was consented to in writing by the following [specify]:

- Adoptive parent(s)[specify]:
- Birth parent(s) [specify]:
- Adoptive child's attorney [specify]:
- Sibling(s) or half-sibling(s) over the age of 14, if contact is with siblings or half-siblings [specify]:

is hereby incorporated into this Order of Adoption; and a true copy of such post-adoption contact agreement and Order of Incorporation shall be given to all parties to the post-adoption contact agreement;² and it is further

[Check box if applicable]: ORDERED that, if required by a governmental agency, including but not limited to, the United States Social Security Administration, the United States Passport Office and the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, in connection with an application submitted by

² The Order of Incorporation and Post-Adoption Contact Agreement, but not this Order of Adoption, must be given to the parties to the agreement.

or on behalf of the adoptive child, the adoptive parent(s)' attorney [specify]:
is authorized to deliver a certified copy of this Order of Adoption to such agency directly or to the
adoptive parent, as he or she deems appropriate; and it is further

ORDERED that this order, together with all other papers pertaining to the adoption, shall be
filed and kept as provided in the Domestic Relations Law and shall not be subject to access or
inspection except as provided in this Order or such Law.

ENTER

 Judge of the Family Court Surrogate

Dated: , .

PURSUANT TO SECTION 1113 OF THE FAMILY COURT ACT,
AN APPEAL FROM THIS ORDER MUST BE TAKEN WITHIN 30
DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE ORDER BY APPELLANT IN COURT,
35 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF MAILING OF THE ORDER TO
APPELLANT BY THE CLERK OF COURT, OR 30 DAYS AFTER
SERVICE BY A PARTY OR THE ATTORNEY FOR THE CHILD UPON
THE APPELLANT, WHICHEVER IS EARLIEST.

Check applicable box:

- Order mailed on [specify date(s) and to whom mailed]: _____
- Order received in court on [specify date(s) and to whom given]: _____