D.R.L. §113 [This form <u>must</u> be submitted in cases where the adoption petition was filed before a judge <u>other than</u> the judge who heard the most recent Family Court proceeding]

FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF

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

Adoption Form 1-E (Affirmation Regarding Venue) (1/2024)

Docket No. AFFIRMATION REGARDING VENUE

I, [specify name]: , , an attorney duly admitted to practice law in the State of New York, affirm the following:

1. I represent [specify]: , the prospective adoptive parents in the above-entitled proceeding regarding the adoption of [specify child's first name]:

2. Upon information and belief, according to [specify agency having custody or guardianship of child or other source of information]:

the child was freed for adoption as follows [check applicable box(es)]:

a. The child's birth mother:

□ surrendered her parental rights in a

□judicial surrender executed before Judge [specify]: in Family Court, [specify county]: on [specify date]: in Docket # [specify]: □extra-judicial surrender approved by Judge [specify]: in Family Court, in Docket # [specify]: [specify county]: on [specify date]: □ had her parental rights terminated by order of Judge [specify]: in Family Court, [specify county]: on [specify date]: in Docket # [specify]: \Box is unknown. \square is deceased.

b. The child's birth father or any other individual entitled to consent to the adoption:
 □ surrendered his parental rights in a

 □judicial surrender executed before Judge [specify]: in Family Court,

 [specify county]: on [specify date]: in Docket # [specify]:

 □extra-judicial surrender approved by Judge [specify]: in Family Court,

 [specify county]: on [specify date]: in Docket # [specify]:

 □ had his parental rights terminated by order of Judge [specify]: in Family

 Court, [specify county]: on [specify date]: in Docket # [specify]:

 □ had his parental rights terminated by order of Judge [specify]: in Family

 Court, [specify county]: on [specify date]: in Docket # [specify]:

□ is unknown.□ is deceased.

3. Upon information and belief, according to [specify agency having custody or guardianship of child or other source of information]:

the child's most recent permanency hearing was held before [specify judge or referee] in Family Court, [specify county]: , on [specify date]:

4. This adoption proceeding has been filed before this Court for the following reasons [check applicable box(es) and explain]:

□ This Court is more familiar with the facts and circumstances regarding permanency planning for, and the needs and best interests of, this child, because [specify]:

□ The child's law guardian [specify]: is able to continue to represent the child in this proceeding.

□ The prospective adoptive parents reside in [specify county] and would find it inconvenient to travel to the Family Court in [specify county]:

□ This Court will be able to proceed in this matter more expeditiously because [specify]:

□ Other [specify]:

5. I affirm under the penalties of perjury under the laws of New York, which may include a fine or imprisonment, that the above statements are true, and I understand that this document may be filed in an action or proceeding in a court of law.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated above, I am requesting that this Court retain jurisdiction over this adoption proceeding.

Dated:

Signature of Affirmant

Affirmant's Name (print or type)

Affirmant's Address and Telephone Number