

(Complaint for private or agency placement adoption)

Plaintiff's Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel. No.: _____

<p>IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF</p> <p>A CHILD BY _____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY CHANCERY DIVISION-FAMILY PART CUMBERLAND COUNTY</p> <p>CIVIL ACTION</p> <p>DOCKET NO.:</p> <p>VERIFIED COMPLAINT FOR ADOPTION</p>
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_____, residing at _____,
(PLAINTIFF'S NAME)

City of _____, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey, by way of
complaint says:

1. Plaintiff, _____, is _____ years old, a citizen of the
(NAME)
United States and resides at _____, _____, New
(ADDRESS)
Jersey.

2. The child to be adopted is _____, who was born in _____
(NAME)
_____ on _____ and is _____ years old.
(PLACE OF BIRTH) (DATE OF BIRTH)

3. The Plaintiff is married / not married and has _____ other children, ages
(CIRCLE ONE)
_____. Those children reside / do not
(CIRCLE ONE)
reside with Plaintiff.

4. The Plaintiff received the child to be adopted by and through the following stated
persons, agencies and circumstances: _____

5. The child came under the continuous care of the plaintiff in or about _____
_____ and has continued thereunder until the date of the
(MONTH AND YEAR)

commencement of this action. The complaint has not been filed prior to this time
to allow the child to remain in the continuous care of the Plaintiff for at least six months.

6. The child's natural father is _____ / or is unknown.
(INSERT NAME OR CIRCLE UNKNOWN)
(Insert information concerning the natural father and his relationship/support of the child)

Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is the Child's Birth Certificate.

7. The child's natural mother is _____ .
(NAME)
(Insert information concerning the natural mother and her relationship/support of the
child on the lines below)

8. The natural father has consented / has not consented to the adoption. Attached hereto
(CHOOSE ONE)
as Exhibit "B" is the consent form signed by the natural father.

9. The natural mother has consented / has not consented to the adoption. Attached hereto
(CHOOSE ONE)
as Exhibit "C" is the consent form signed by the natural mother.

10. The child to be adopted has the following listed property / has no property:
(CHOOSE ONE AND COMPLETE LIST, IF ANY)

9. Upon the granting of the petition for adoption, the name, by which the child to be adopted shall be known, is _____.

10. The Plaintiff is employed by _____
(NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER)

_____ and is able to support the child to be adopted.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment of this court granting said adoption by the plaintiff.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO R. 4:5-1. The undersigned hereby certifies that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there are no other parties who should be joined in this action. I further certify that the matter in controversy is not subject to any other action pending in any Court or of a pending arbitration proceeding, nor is any other action or arbitration proceeding contemplated.

Dated: _____
(INSERT DATE OF SIGNATURE)

(SIGNATURE OF FILER/PLAINTIFF)

(PRINT NAME OF FILER/PLAINTIFF)

Name:

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY) SS:
COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND)

I, _____, Plaintiff in the annexed complaint,
(NAME OF PLAINTIFF)
being duly sworn on his/her oath, according to law, deposes and says that the contents of
the annexed Complaint are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature Plaintiff/Adopter/Filer's Name

Sworn and Subscribed to Before me
this _____ day of _____, 20____.

NOTARY

(This document must be notarized By a Notary Public. Rule 4:83-5. All Complaints shall be verified by the plaintiff upon oath that the allegations of the Complaint are true to the best of the plaintiff's knowledge and belief. The Verified Complaint can be notarized by one of the notaries in the Surrogate's Office. Do not sign the Complaint until you are in front of one of the Notary. They are verifying your signature and must actually see you sign.)

For litigants filing without an attorney, please list your information in the spaces below:

Plaintiff's name: _____

Address: _____

Tel. #: _____

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION
OF A CHILD BY :

Adopter's Name above

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: FINAL JUDGMENT OF ADOPTION
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THIS MATTER being opened to the Court by _____,
Pro Se, upon Complaint to adopt the child, _____,
born _____ in _____,

and the Final Hearing having been held, and it appearing that the statutory requirements have fulfilled, and the Court having found that the best interests of the child would be promoted by such adoption and for good cause shown;

IT IS on this _____ **day of** _____, **20** ____, **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that _____ be adopted by the Plaintiff(s) and that the legal name of the adopted child shall be _____

_____ and all relationships between the adopted child and the biological father and mother, and all rights and duties and obligations of said biological father and mother, except as such rights may have vested prior to the entry of the within Judgment of Adoption be and the same are hereby terminated.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the entry of the within Judgment shall establish the same relationships, rights, duties and obligations between the adopted child and the adopting parents, as if such adopted child were born to such adopted parent in lawful wedlock, including but not limited to, the adopted child's rights of inheritance, as if born to the adopting parent, in lawful wedlock and shall be deemed the lawful issue of the adopting parent.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that neither the child nor the natural parents are members or eligible to be members of a federally recognized Indian Tribe pursuant to the Indian Child Welfare Act and pursuant to Rule 5:10-6.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services, Bureau of Vital Statistics, is directed and authorized to issue an amended birth certificate amending the child's name to

_____ and naming _____
_____ as the parent(s) of said child.

HON. HAROLD U. JOHNSON, P.J.S.C.

(SAMPLE FOR PRIVATE ADOPTION)

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Address: _____

Tel. No.: _____

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: ORDER FIXING DATE FOR HEARING
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THIS MATTER, having been opened to the Court by (Adopter's Name) _____
_____, upon a duly Verified Complaint in the above matter applying for the
adoption of a child, (Adoptee's Name) _____, in accordance with the
provisions of the statute, and it appearing that said child is under the custody and control of
(Adopter's Name) _____, and the consent of the child's natural mother/father
being annexed to the said Complaint; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING from the said surrender executed by the natural
mother/father of the minor child, that she/he has surrendered parental rights and consented to
said adoption; and

IT IS, on this (Court fills in dates) _____ day of _____, 20____, ORDERED that
the final hearing in the above matter be set down for the _____ day of _____, 20____,
at _____:____AM/PM or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard, before the Judge then sitting
in the Family Part of the Superior Court, Chancery Division for Cumberland County, at the
Courthouse, Bridgeton, New Jersey; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that (Agency) _____
shall be appointed to conduct an investigation of the Plaintiff's home and to provide a report to

the Court prior to return date required by N.J.S.A. 9:3-48 and the plaintiff shall assist to the fullest extent in making of such an investigation and report; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 9:3-45, notice to the birth mother/father is waived based upon the surrender of parental rights by the birth mother/father to the plaintiff; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order shall be mailed to the birth mother/father within five days of the date of this Order.

(Signature of the Judge of the Superior Court)

Proof of Service: Adoption pleadings

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I certify that on date of mailing , I caused to be mailed to the birth father/mother (insert name)

_____, who resides at (address) _____

_____, by (type of mailing) _____

ex: UPS; FedEx; US Postal Service; Registered mail, certified, return receipt requested) a copy of the Verified Complaint for Adoption and the Order Fixing Date for Preliminary and Final Hearing.

I certify the foregoing statement made by me is true and correct. I am aware if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Signature of Plaintiff/Adopting person

Date of signature: _____