

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF _____ COUNTY

STATE OF GEORGIA

In re the Name Change of Child(ren):

Civil Action

Case Number _____

Petitioner,

vs.

Respondent.

**PETITION TO CHANGE NAME(S)
OF MINOR CHILD(REN)**

The Petitioner files this *Petition to Change Name(s) of Minor Children*, and states the following in support of the petition:

1)

The Petitioner's name is _____
, and she or he resides in _____ County, Georgia. Therefore, jurisdiction and venue are proper in this Court.

2)

The Petitioner's relationship to the children in this action is: *[Check only one below.]*
☐ Mother ☐ Father ☐ Guardian.

3)

These are the current names, birthdates and proposed new names of the child(ren) for whom the name change is sought:

<i>Current Name of Child</i>	<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Proposed New Name</i>

4)

[Check only one of the following.]

- ☐ The minor children live with the Petitioner in _____ County, Georgia.
- ☐ The minor children do not live with the Petitioner. They live with _____
_____ in _____
County, Georgia.

5)

[Explain here why you want to change the name(s).]

The reasons for this name change are as follows: _____

6)

The mother of the children is _____,
her address is _____

and she:

[You must check one (and only one) of the following.]

- ☐ Has consented to this name change and has acknowledged service; the signed consent and acknowledgement of service shall be filed with this *Petition*.
- ☐ Is deceased.
- ☐ Has abandoned the child(ren).
- ☐ Has not contributed to the support of the child(ren) for a continuous period of at least 5 years immediately preceding the filing of this *Petition*.

7)

The father of the children is _____,
his address is _____
_____, and he:

[You must check one (and only one) of the following.]

- ☐ Has consented to this name change and has acknowledged service; the signed consent and acknowledgement of service shall be filed with this *Petition*.
- ☐ Is deceased.
- ☐ Has abandoned the child(ren).
- ☐ Has not contributed to the support of the child(ren) for a continuous period of at least 5 years immediately preceding the filing of this *Petition*.

8)

[You must check one (and only one) of the following.]

- ☐ There is no legal guardian for these children, other than their parent(s).
- ☐ Both parents are deceased or have abandoned the child(ren), and the guardian of the child(ren) is _____,
whose address is _____

and she or he has consented to this name change and has acknowledged service; the signed consent and acknowledgment of service shall be filed with this *Petition*.

THEREFORE, the Petitioner asks:

- (a) That the name(s) of the minor child(ren) be changed to the names shown in Paragraph 3 of the petition.

*[Check one of the following methods of service for each person who must be served.
Be sure to carefully read the instructions about service before you complete this part.]*

- ☐ (b) That the sheriff's department personally serve the ☐ mother ☐ father ☐ person acting as guardian of the minor children, whose address is shown above.
- ☐ (c) That the ☐ mother ☐ father ☐ person acting as guardian of the minor children be served by certified mail, because they reside outside the state of Georgia.
- ☐ (d) That the Court order service by publication for the ☐ mother ☐ father ☐ person acting as guardian of the minor children, whose address is unknown.

Dated: _____

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Petitioner, *Pro se* (Signature)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone (day): (____) _____

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**VERIFICATION OF NAME CHANGE PETITION
FOR MINOR CHILD(REN)**

My name is _____. I hereby swear or affirm,
before a notary public, that I have read the *Petition to Change Name(s) of Minor
Child(ren)* that I am filing with this *Verification*, and the facts stated in it are true.

Subscribed and sworn before me
on _____, 20____.

Petitioner, *Pro se* (Signature)

Notary Public

SUPERIOR COURT OF FLOYD COUNTY

STATE OF GEORGIA

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**CONSENT TO CHANGE NAME(S)
OF MINOR CHILD(REN) and
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SERVICE**

1. My name is _____. My address is:

My relationship to the child(ren) in this action is: *[Check only one of the following.]*

☐ Mother ☐ Father ☐ Person Acting as Guardian.

2. I have received a copy of the *Petition* being filed by _____
to change the name(s) of the children, and I hereby give my consent to the name(s) being
changed as follows:

<i>Current Name of Child</i>	<i>Year of Birth</i>	<i>Proposed New Name</i>

3. I consent to both jurisdiction and venue as they are stated in the *Petition*. So long as any final order in this action is consistent with this consent form, then I waive formal process, further notice, my right to a hearing and, if I am on active duty in the armed forces, I also waive my rights under the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 USC §521. I give my consent for the Court to hear this matter as soon as possible after thirty days. Should further notice be required for any reason, the notice should be mailed to me at the address shown in Paragraph One above.

____ Mother ____ Father ____ Guardian
(Check one & sign in front of Notary Public)

 Personally appeared before me on _____, 20____, and stated under oath that s/he had read the foregoing document, understood it, and signed it voluntarily in my presence.

 Notary Public

Commission expires: _____

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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME(S)
OF MINOR CHILD(REN)**

_____ filed a petition in the _____
County Superior Court on _____, 20____, to change the name(s) of the following
minor child(ren)

from: _____

to: _____

Any interested party has the right to appear in this case and file objections within the time
prescribed in O.C.G.A. §§19-12-1(f)(2) and (3).

Dated: _____

Petitioner, *Pro se* (Signature)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone (day): () _____

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**FINAL ORDER CHANGING NAME(S)
OF MINOR CHILD(REN)**

This matter has come before the Court on the Petitioner's verified *Petition to Change Name(s) of Minor Children*. It appears to the Court that the required notice has been published, any necessary parties have been served or have acknowledged service, and that sufficient grounds exist for the requested relief.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the name(s) of the following minor child(ren) shall be changed as follows:

<i>Old Name of Child</i>	<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>New Name</i>

This Order entered on _____, 20____.

JUDGE _____
County Superior Court