

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
CHANGE OF NAME FROM

\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Civil Action No. \_\_\_\_\_

PETITION

Comes now the Petitioner, \_\_\_\_\_, on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_,  
an infant, and petitions this Court to change the child's name from \_\_\_\_\_  
to \_\_\_\_\_.

In support of this Petition, the Petitioner, \_\_\_\_\_, states as follows:

1. The child has been a bona fide resident of \_\_\_\_\_ County, West  
Virginia, for at least one year prior to the filing of this Petition;
2. The child is currently under the age of eighteen (18) years of age, having been  
born on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.
3. The child's name at birth was \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The child was born in the State of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Explain reasons for name change: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

4. Petitioner would seek the child's name to be \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

5. The name change sought is not for purposes of avoiding any state or federal law.

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6. The name change sought is not for purposes of avoiding any state or federal law regarding identity.
7. The name change sought is not for any improper or illegal purpose.
8. The Petitioner is not a convicted felon in any jurisdiction
9. The name change sought is not for any purpose of evading detection, identification or arrest by any local, state, or federal law enforcement agency.

WHEREFORE, your Petitioner prays that the Court declare the minor child henceforth be known as \_\_\_\_\_ and for such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and proper.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Petitioner,  
Pro Se

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_, TO WIT:

\_\_\_\_\_, the Petitioner named in the attached Petition, being first duly sworn, says that the facts and allegations contained in said Petition are true, except so far as they are stated to be on information, and belief, s/he believes them to be true.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Petitioner,

Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_.

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