

FORM 131B. PETITION TO ADOPT MINOR BY A STEPPARENT

STATE OF VERMONT
DISTRICT OF _____

PROBATE COURT
DOCKET NO. _____

IN RE: ADOPTION OF _____

**PETITION TO ADOPT MINOR BY STEPPARENT
15A V.S.A. § 4-107**

1. My Full Name Is: _____

2. My Date and Place of Birth Are: _____
(Date) (Place)

3. The City or Town Where I Reside is: _____

4. My Mailing Address Is: _____

5. The Length of Time I Have Lived at My Current Residence Is: _____

6. My Relationship to the Minor Child Being Adopted Is: _____

7. My Occupation is: _____

8. My Approximate Income Is: _____

9. I State That I Do Have the Facilities and Resources to Provide for the Care and Support of the Minor.

10. My Spouse's Occupation Is: _____

11. My Spouse's Approximate Income Is: _____

12. Full Birth Name, Or Legal Name of Minor Who Is Being Adopted:

13. Name by Which Minor Will be Known After Adoption:

14. Sex of the Minor Who Is Being Adopted: _____

15. Date of Birth and Time (or Approximate Time) of Birth of Minor Who Is Being Adopted:

16. Place of Birth of Minor Who Is Being Adopted: _____

17. The Minor ____ Is or ____ Is Not (Check One) An Indian Child as Defined in the Indian Child Welfare Act, 25 U.S.C. § 1901 et seq.

18. The Following Is A Description And Estimate of Value of Any Known Property of the Minor:

19. I state that to the best of my knowledge and belief, any law governing interstate or intercountry placement which applies to this adoption has been complied with.

20. Names and Mailing Addresses of the Biological Parents of the Person to be Adopted:

Name	Mailing Address
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____

21. The Following Persons Have Executed a Consent, Relinquishment, Or A Disclaimer of Parental Interest With Respect to This Adoption:

Name	Relationship	Type of Document Executed

22. A Consent or Relinquishment From Each of the Following Persons, Whose Parental Relationship with the Minor Has Not Been Terminated, May Be Required:

Name	Relationship

23. With Respect to the Persons Named in the Immediately Preceding Section, The Following Facts And Circumstances May Excuse The Lack of Their Consents:

24. I Have Either:

____ Filed a previous Petition to Adopt in another court. If so, the disposition of the Petition was as follows:

____ Not filed a previous Petition to Adopt in another court.

25. The Following Is A Description of Any Previous Court Order or Court Proceeding

Known to Me Concerning Child Support for the Minor or Concerning Custody of or Visitation With the Minor (Use Additional Sheets, If Necessary):

Name of Court	Docket Number	Type of Proceeding
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

26. My Marital Status Is: ___ Married ___ Single
27. If I Am Married:
- A. The Date of My Marriage Was: _____ .
 - B. The Place of My Marriage Was: _____ .
 - C. The Place of Birth of My Spouse Was: _____ .
 - D. The Date of Birth of My Spouse Was: _____ .
 - E. If My Spouse Is Incompetent, the Date When a Court Declared Him or Her Incompetent Was: _____ .
28. If My Spouse is Deceased:
- A. The Date of His or Her Death Was: _____ .
 - B. The Place of His or Her Death Was: _____ .
 - C. The Cause of His or Her Death Was: _____ .
29. The Minor Child Has been Residing with Me and My Spouse Since: _____
_____ .
30. If the Minor Is Not in My and My Spouse's Physical Custody:
- A. The Reason Why We Do Not Have Physical Custody Is As Follows:

 - B. The Date We Intend To Obtain Physical Custody Is: _____
31. My Spouse And I Have Had Legal Custody of the Minor Since _____
The Circumstances Under Which We Obtained Legal Custody Are As Follows:

32. I request that I be permitted to adopt the minor as my child.
33. I Request the Following Additional Relief From the Court:

34. I have attached to this petition an explanation of why any of the information requested in this petition has not been provided by me.

35. Names and Mailing Addresses of Living Maternal Grandparents:

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37. A Home Study:

_____ is being prepared. The name and address of the preparer is:

38. If a Home Study is Not Being Prepared, Are You Going to File a Request With This Court for Waiver of the Home Study?

_____ Yes _____ No

Dated at _____, this _____ day of _____, _____.

Petitioner

Subscribed and Sworn to this _____ day of _____, _____.

Notary Public

IF PETITIONER IS MARRIED, PETITIONER'S SPOUSE MUST SIGN THE FOLLOWING, UNLESS THE SPOUSE HAS BEEN JUDICIALLY DECLARED INCOMPETENT:

I, _____, the spouse of the petitioner, consent to the filing of this petition.

(signature)

(printed name)