

**STATE OF MAINE**

PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Location of Court

DOCKET NO. \_\_\_\_\_

In the Matter of the Adoption Petition of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Adoptee)

WAIVER OF NOTICE BY PUTATIVE  
FATHER OR BY LEGAL FATHER  
(WHO IS NOT THE BIOLOGICAL  
FATHER)<sup>1</sup> AND AFFIDAVIT OF LEGAL  
FATHER (WHO IS NOT THE  
BIOLOGICAL FATHER)

A. WAIVER OF NOTICE

1. I understand that I have been named the father or \_\_\_\_\_  
(adoptee) who is the child of \_\_\_\_\_ (name of mother)  
and that the mother wishes to consent to the adoption of the child or to sign a surrender and release for the  
purpose of allowing this child to be adopted and that a petition for adoption of this child is pending in the  
Probate Court of \_\_\_\_\_ County.

2. Check one of the following:

- a. I admit I am the biological father
- b. I admit that I am the legal father, but not the biological father of the child.
- c. I neither admit nor deny the paternity of the child.

3. I understand that by signing this Waiver of Notice it will operate as a consent to the adoption or as  
a surrender and release for the purpose of adoption and that I will give up any rights to the child if  
the adoption is granted.

4. I understand that unless one of the adopting parents is the other natural parent of my child, my  
child will lose all legal rights to inherit from me and my kin or heirs unless I request otherwise  
prior to this adoption, I therefore  request  do not request that my child be entitled to inherit  
from me and my kin of heirs.<sup>2</sup>

5. I understand that I have the right to obtain a lawyer's advice before signing this waiver and that if  
I want a lawyer and cannot afford one, a lawyer can be appointed by the Court to represent me. I  
 request  do not request that the Court appoint a lawyer to represent me.<sup>3</sup>

6. Acknowledging the above, I hereby waive all rights to notice of this adoption proceeding.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Putative Father or Legal Father  
(who is not the biological father)

**EXECUTION OF WAIVER**

Personally appeared before me the above Putative Father or Legal Father (who is not the biological father), \_\_\_\_\_, who, under penalty of perjury, affirmed under oath the truth of the facts in the foregoing Waiver of Notice as far as known or informed freely with full knowledge of the consequences executed this Waiver of Notice as of the date above-written.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public/Judge of Probate/Register of Probate

**B. AFFIDAVIT OF LEGAL FATHER  
(WHO IS NOT THE BIOLOGICAL FATHER)<sup>4</sup>**

1. I am \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_

2. Although I am the legal father of the child mentioned in the foregoing Waiver of Notice, I am not the biological father of said child.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Legal Father

STATE OF MAINE  
\_\_\_\_\_, ss.

Personally appeared before me the above named \_\_\_\_\_ who, under penalty of perjury, affirmed under oath the truth of the facts in the foregoing Affidavit.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public/Judge of Probate/Register of Probate

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<sup>1</sup> 18-A MRSA § 9-201(C)

<sup>2</sup> 18-A MRSA § 2-109; 18-A MRSA § 9-105

<sup>3</sup> 18-A MRSA § 9-106

<sup>4</sup> 18-A MRSA § 9-201 (C) (3)