

IN THE TRIAL COURT OF THE SAC & FOX TRIBE OF THE MISSISSIPPI IN IOWA
MESKWAKI SETTLEMENT
307 Meskwaki Rd.
Tama, IA 52339

In the Matter of the Adoption of	Court Case No.
Child: _____	_____
DOB: _____	(Court Clerk will assign #)
By Petitioner (Adoptive Parent)	PETITION
Name: _____ .	FOR ADOPTION

!!! IMPORTANT: *Attach a certified copy of the child's birth certificate to this Petition*

Petitioner, upon his/her oath or affirmation, represents now to the Court that:

1. PETITIONER INFORMATION – Adoptive Parent

Full Legal Name, current _____

Last name (surname) *before any marriage*, if any _____

Date of Birth _____

Place of Birth (City/State) _____

Residential Address _____

County of Residence _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone _____

Gender _____

Tribal Affiliation/s _____

Tribal Enrollment _____

Occupation _____

Marital Status* _____

** If married, attach certified copy of Marriage License or other form of recognition of solemnized marriage*

2. CHILD

Petitioner hereby states desires to adopt:

Child's Full Name _____

Native American Name _____

Residence _____

Date of Birth _____ Age at time of filing petition: _____

Place of Birth (hospital name or other) _____

Birth City, County, State _____

Gender _____

Natural Mother, full name _____

Address _____

Natural Father, full name _____

Address _____

Child's Tribal Affiliation/s _____

Child's Tribal Enrollment _____

Child's Clan Affiliation _____

3. PROPERTY STATEMENT

- a) Said above child owns no real estate, savings or bank accounts, bonds, securities or personal property other than clothing and personal effects of inconsequential market value.

_____ (Petitioner to Initial, if statement is true).

OR

- b) Full description of value of all property owned or possessed by child is attached.

4. CUSTODY

Petitioner has either jointly or individually had physical custody of child, or child was placed with Petitioner by Meskwaki Family Services or a social services agency, during the following period/s of time: _____.

5. ADOPTION

I, the Petitioner, desire that the relationship of parent and child be established between myself and said Child, that such is in the best interests of the Child and will be the best means to secure the child’s sense of belonging to family, clan and Tribe and that I freely undertake the obligation fully to support and care for said Child until the Child’s maturity.

NATURAL MOTHER – Consent to Adoption, or a Court has terminated parental rights

- a) The natural mother consents to this adoption _____ (Petitioner’s initials, if true, and attach written consent), **OR**
- b) The legal parental rights of the child’s natural mother have **or** have not been terminated by an order of a court of law (*attach documentation of termination*).

NATURAL FATHER – Consent to Adoption, or a Court has terminated parental rights

- c) The natural father (*ONLY IF FATHER IS KNOWN*) consents to this adoption _____ (Petitioner’s initials, if true, and also attach written notarized consent), **OR**
- d) The legal parental rights of the child’s natural father have **or** have not been terminated by an order of a court of law (*attach documentation of termination*).

NAME CHANGE OF CHILD. WHEREFORE, I request a decree of adoption of the Child and for a change of the Child's full legal name to exactly be (print new name):

_____.

I understand that by submitting this petition I will be contacted by Meskwaki Family Services to conduct a home-study and background investigation and I voluntarily submit to this requirement.

_____ Initialed by Petitioner, to acknowledge the above statement.

STOP!

Wait to sign this page until before a notary or Tribal Court staff

I, _____, am the Petitioner. I have completed the petition for adoption and swear or affirm that the information stated therein is true and correct.

Signature of Petitioner

Mailing Address to which the Court should address all contact regarding the Petition

Telephone

E-mail

SIGNATURE WITNESSED BY:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day, of _____, 20____.

Signature of Notary Public or Other Official

cc: