

**IN THE TRIAL COURT OF THE  
SAC & FOX TRIBE OF THE MISSISSIPPI IN IOWA COURT  
MESKWAKI SETTLEMENT**

In the Matter of the Petition of  _____ and  _____  To adopt _____  DOB: _____	Court Case No.  _____  <b>PETITION FOR ADOPTION</b>
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➔ **IMPORTANT:** *Attach Certified Copy of the Child's Birth Certificate to this Petition*

Petitioner(s), upon his/her oath or affirmation, represent to the Court that the following information is true:

**1. CHILD:** Petitioner(s) desires to adopt:

Full Name (current): \_\_\_\_\_

Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

Natural Mother: \_\_\_\_\_

Natural Father: \_\_\_\_\_

Enrollment Status: \_\_\_\_\_

*As required by Meskwaki Tribal Code § 6-1903(a), I have attached a certified birth certificate of the child I am seeking to adopt.*

**2. PETITIONER(S)**

Petitioner "A"

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal enrollment: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital status: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*If married, attach Certified Copy of Marriage License/other form of recognition of a solemnized marriage*

Petitioner "B"

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal enrollment: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital status: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*If married, attach Certified Copy of Marriage License/other form of recognition of a solemnized marriage*

**3. PROPERTY**

Give a full description and statement of value of all property owned or possessed by the child (include real estate, savings or bank accounts, bonds, securities, and personal property other than clothing and personal effects of inconsequential market value):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- Child owns or possesses no property beyond clothing and personal effects

**4. CONSENT OF NATURAL PARENTS OR GUARDIAN**

- I have attached a fully witnessed and notarized natural parent consent to the adoption of the above-named Child or a Court Order terminating the parent-child relationship with respect to the above-named Child and its natural parents.
- Child has no living natural parents and I have attached the written consent of Child's guardian and evidence of guardian's authority to consent to adoption.
- Child has no living natural parents and no guardian has been appointed for Child.

**5. CONSENT OF CHILD (IF 12 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER)**

- Child has consented in writing, subject to Court review, and said written consent is attached here.
- Child will give consent in Court.
- N/A (Child is less than 12 years of age).

**6. CONSENT OF PARENTS OF MINOR ADOPTIVE PARENT (IF APPLICABLE)**

- Petitioner is a minor and has attached Petitioner’s parents’ written consent to adoption
- N/A (Petitioner is not a minor).

**7. ADOPTION**

Petitioner(s) desires that the relationship of parent and child be established between Petitioner(s) and said Child.

This 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. The Petitioner(s) freely undertakes the obligation fully to support and care for said Child until the Child’s maturity.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner(s) requests a decree of adoption of the Child by Petitioner(s) and for a change of the Child's name to \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Petitioner(s) or Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address for all information regarding this Petition

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

**7. NAME CHANGE**

Children adopted by order of the Tribal Court shall assume the surname chosen by the persons by whom they are adopted, unless the Court orders otherwise. Please give below the Child’s prospective name, pending adoption (be specific with regard to spelling, capitalization, hyphenation, and other grammatical matters):

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