

Case Name:  
Docket #:

Atty:  
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Initial RvwDate:

## CHECKLIST

### **PETITION FOR ADULT ADOPTION WITH NAME CHANGE\*\***

**\*\*ONLY available if the Adoptee is a resident of Chester County<sup>1</sup>**

- Motion to Release Copy of Adoption Petition to State Police
- Order to Release Copy of Adoption Petition to State Police (*PSP have 60 days to respond*)
- \*\*\*\*\*
- Preliminary Decree
- Final Decree (*name on decree and H105.091 must match*) **[NOTE: If the adult changing name is married and currently uses a "married surname" the name they "currently are" for use on the H105 must be their BIRTH NAME (the one on their original birth certificate). So that their "maiden surname" will change on birth certificate and if divorce will have a name to "go back to".]**
- Petition for Adult Adoption with Name Change
- Attorney Caption
- Signed by attorney or petitioner
- Petitioner is Adopting Parent
- Adoptee is currently a resident of Chester County
- Residence(s) of Adoptee for 5 years prior to filing of this petition (*current & all past*)
- Verified by Petitioner
- Pennsylvania State Police certified response received (*per 54 Pa.CS §702(b)(4)*)
- Out of County Decrees – certified
- Foreign Documents – translated
- Consent of Adoptee to being adopted
- Original Long Form Birth Certificate
- Form H105.091
- AT 7-DAY REVIEW CONFIRM WITH PETITIONER/COUNSEL:** Proof of requirements of 54 Pa.C.S. §701, 702: (1) publication of intention to change name & hearing date/time (in 2 newspapers of general circulation in county where adoptee resides or county contiguous. One of the newspapers may be the official paper for publication of legal notices in the county); (2) Certificates of Official searches (from all counties lived in past 5 years) conducted by the county offices of: Prothy; Clerk of Courts; Reg of Wills; Rec of Deeds)

**Termination of Birth Parent's rights is NOT required.**

**HEARING MUST BE SCHEDULED (per 54 PaCS § 701) no less than 1 month after filing of this Petition and no more than 3 months after this Petition.**

<sup>1</sup> See 54 Pa.C.S. § 702(a)