

# CHECKLIST

## PETITION FOR INVOLUNTARY TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS 23 Pa. C.S.A. §2511

*To be filed simultaneously with the Petition for Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights:*

- \_\_\_\_\_ Order for Appointment of Counsel for Child – 23 Pa. C.S.A. §2313
- \_\_\_\_\_ Signed Motion for Appointment of Counsel for Child

*To be attached to the Petition in the order they appear:*

- \_\_\_\_\_ Preliminary Decree – Rule 15.1A(4)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Issues Citation
- \_\_\_\_\_ Citation – Rule 15.4A(1)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Final Decree
- \_\_\_\_\_ Form of Important Notice – 23 Pa. C.S.A. § 2513(b)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Petition for Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights [Agency] or [Individual]
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Attorney caption
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Signed by Attorney or Petitioner
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Petitioner is Adopting Parent, Intermediary, Other Birth Parent, Attorney, Guardian  
*Ad Litem* representing child
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Joinder of a parent of a petitioner, if an individual, who is under the age of 18  
unless excused by the court
  - \_\_\_\_\_ GROUNDS for Termination
- \_\_\_\_\_ Proof(s) of Notice – *to be filed at or before the hearing*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Original Long Form Birth Certificate – Rule 15.2(b)(2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Out of County Decrees – *Certified*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Foreign Decrees – *Translated*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Report of Intention to Adopt or Petition for Adoption filed
- \_\_\_\_\_ *If Agency Termination Petition*, Consent by Agency to accept custody of child
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pursuant to 23 Pa.C.S.A. §2733(c) Affidavit of Service OR Acknowledgement of Notice
- \_\_\_\_\_ Notice(s) Pursuant to 23 Pa.C.S.A. §2513(b)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ at least ten (10) days notice by personal service, *OR*
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Registered Mail, *OR*
  - \_\_\_\_\_ By such means as the Court may require (See, Pa.R.C.P. 430)