

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
PROBATE DIVISION
PIKE COUNTY, OHIO**

IN THE MATTER OF:

CASE NO. _____

AFFIDAVIT FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

State of Ohio

County of _____:

_____, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and states as follows:

1. Service of notice in this case cannot be made because the residence of the following: _____, is unknown to me and cannot be ascertained with reasonable diligence.

2. The following efforts have been made herein to ascertain the residence of the following: _____, but have been unsuccessful. The efforts made are as follows:

3. The last known address(es) is/are: _____

I request: () Newspaper publication

Name of Affiant

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this _____ day of
_____, 20_____.

Notary Public

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ENTRY FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The court in the above-captioned case has received an application for service by publication. It appearing to the Court that service cannot be made upon the party because the residence is unknown and cannot with reasonable diligence be ascertained.

The Court therefore, pursuant to Ohio Civil Rule 73E(7), does hereby direct that service be made upon said party by publication for three (3) weeks in the Pike County News Watchman, a newspaper of general circulation in Pike County according to law.

The person requesting service by publication shall be responsible for the return of service.

JUDGE PAUL PRICE

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE

TO: The News Watchman

Please publish the following notice once per week for three consecutive weeks. When publication is complete, please return proof of publication to: _____

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF PIKE COUNTY, OHIO

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF _____
(NAME AFTER ADOPTION), CASE NO. _____**

NOTICE OF HEARING ON ADOPTION OF MINOR

(Notice must be served not less than 20 days before the date of the hearing) [R.C. 3107.11]

TO: _____,
whose last known address is _____

You are hereby notified that on the _____ day of _____, 20____, _____
_____ filed in this Court a Petition for Adoption of _____
_____ a minor, whose date of birth is _____, and for change of the name
of the minor to _____. This Court, located at 230 Waverly Plaza,
Suite 600, Waverly, Ohio 45690, will hear the petition on the _____ day of _____, 20____
at _____ o'clock _____.m.

It is alleged in the petition, pursuant to R.C. 3107.07, that the consent of _____ is not required due to the following: That person is a parent who has failed without justifiable cause to provide more than de minimis contact with the minor for a period of at least one year immediately preceding the filing of the adoption petition or the placement of the minor in the home of the petitioner. That person is a parent who has failed without justifiable cause to provide for the maintenance of support of the minor as required by law or judicial decree for a period of one year immediately preceding the filing of the adoption petition or the placement of the minor in the home of the petitioner. State other grounds under R.C. 3107.07 (includes putative father of the minor born prior to January 1, 1997) _____.

“A FINAL DECREE OF ADOPTION, IF GRANTED, WILL RELIEVE YOU OF ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO CONTACT

THE MINOR, AND, EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO A SPOUSE OF THE ADOPTION PETITIONER AND RELATIVES OF THAT SPOUSE, TERMINATE ALL LEGAL RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE MINOR AND YOU AND THE MINOR'S OTHER RELATIVES, SO THAT THE MINOR THEREAFTER IS A STRANGER TO YOU AND THE MINOR'S FORMER RELATIVES FOR ALL PURPOSES. IF YOU WISH TO CONTEST THE ADOPTION, YOU MUST FILE AN OBJECTION TO THE PETITION WITHIN FOURTEEN DAYS AFTER PROOF OF SERVICE OF NOTICE OF THE FILING OF THE PETITION AND OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING IS GIVEN TO YOU. IF YOU WISH TO CONTEST THE ADOPTION, YOU MUST ALSO APPEAR AT THE HEARING. A FINAL DECREE OF ADOPTION MAY BE ENTERED IF YOU FAIL TO FILE AN OBJECTION TO THE ADOPTION PETITION OR APPEAR AT THE HEARING."

As the natural parent of the minor, you are entitled to have an attorney represent your interests. In the event that you are indigent and cannot afford counsel, you are entitled to have counsel appointed for you at no cost to you.

If you desire counsel and are not able to afford counsel, you must complete and file an Application for Appointed Counsel at the Pike County Probate Court, 230 Waverly Plaza, Suite 600, Waverly, Ohio 45690.

The Application for Appointed Counsel should be filed within fourteen days of service.

PAUL PRICE
Probate Judge