

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

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

**THE ADOPTION OF:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name after Adoption)

**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.

3. The efforts made are as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I request newspaper publication

\_\_\_\_\_  
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:

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**PROBATE COURT OF PIKE COUNTY, OHIO  
PAUL PRICE, JUDGE**

**ADOPTION OF**

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**CASE NO.** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Name after adoption)**

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR ADOPTION**

Notice must be served not less than 30 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 have more than de minimis contact with the minor for a period of one year immediately preceding the filing of the adoption petition.
- ☐ That person is a parent who has failed without justifiable cause to provide meaningful and regular maintenance and 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.
- ☐ The person meets criteria set forth under subsection \_\_\_\_\_ of R.C. 3107.07 and therefore the person's consent is not required.

**A FINAL DECREE OF ADOPTION, IF GRANTED, WILL TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO CONTACT THE MINOR. ALL LEGAL RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE MINOR AND YOU AND YOUR RELATIVES WILL TERMINATE, SO THAT THE MINOR IS A STRANGER TO YOU AND YOUR RELATIVES FOR ALL PURPOSES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF DIVISION (A)(1)(b) OF SECTION 3107.15 OF THE REVISED CODE.**

**IF YOU OBJECT TO THE ADOPTION, AND THE MINOR WAS LESS THAN ONE YEAR OF AGE AT THE TIME THE PETITION FOR ADOPTION WAS FILED, YOU MUST DO BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:**

**(1) FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION WITH THE COURT WITHIN FOURTEEN DAYS FROM THE DATE OF SERVICE OF NOTICE OF THE FILING OF THE PETITION AND OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING.**

**(2) APPEAR AT THE HEARING.**

**IF YOU OBJECT TO THE ADOPTION, AND THE MINOR WAS ONE YEAR OF AGE OR OLDER AT THE TIME THE PETITION FOR ADOPTION WAS FILED, YOU MUST DO BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:**

**(1) FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION WITH THE COURT WITHIN TWENTY-EIGHT DAYS FROM THE DATE OF SERVICE OF NOTICE OF THE FILING OF THE PETITION AND OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING. FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN, THE COURT MAY EXTEND THE TIME IN WHICH A WRITTEN OBJECTION MAY BE FILED.**

**(2) APPEAR AT THE HEARING.**

**A FINAL DECREE OF ADOPTION MAY BE ENTERED IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION ON TIME AND APPEAR AT THE HEARING.**

**RIGHT TO AN ATTORNEY: YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY. IF YOU ARE INDIGENT AND UNABLE TO EMPLOY AN ATTORNEY, YOU ARE ENTITLED TO HAVE AN ATTORNEY PROVIDED FOR YOU PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 120. OF THE REVISED CODE. YOU MUST CONTACT THE COURT ON RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE IF YOU ARE REQUESTING THAT AN ATTORNEY BE APPOINTED FOR YOU. THE COURT SHALL CONSIDER A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR AN ATTORNEY OR A NOTICE OF APPEARANCE FILED BY AN ATTORNEY ON YOUR BEHALF, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVEMENTIONED TIME FRAMES, AS GROUNDS FOR AN EXTENSION TO FILE WRITTEN OBJECTIONS.**

**Paul Price, Probate Judge**

**By: \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy Clerk**