

**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. _____ PETITION FOR ADOPTION
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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):

******WAIT TO SIGN UNTIL BEFORE A NOTARY******

SAC & FOX TRIBE OF THE MISSISSIPPI IN IOWA)
) ss.
STATE OF IOWA)

I, _____ have read the Petition for Adoption and swear or affirm that the information stated therein is true and correct.

Petitioner "A"

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
____ day, of _____, 20__.

Signature of Notary Public or Other Official

SAC & FOX TRIBE OF THE MISSISSIPPI IN IOWA)
) ss.
STATE OF IOWA)

I, _____ have read the Petition for Adoption and swear or affirm that the information stated therein is true and correct.

Petitioner "B"

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
____ day, of _____, 20__.

Signature of Notary Public or Other Official