

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF _____ COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF
[PETITIONERS] FOR ADOPTION OF
THE MINOR CHILD NAMED HEREIN

[PETITIONERS]

PETITIONERS

CAUSE NO. _____

FINAL JUDGMENT GRANTING ADOPTION

This Cause came on for hearing this day on the Petition for Adoption filed by Petitioners, [Petitioners], concerning the minor child named in the Petition, whose name after the adoption will be _____. For the reasons fully set forth in this Court's Memorandum Opinion Establishing the Findings for Termination of Parental Rights and Adoption that was filed contemporaneously with this Order, this Court is of the opinion that the Petition for Adoption should be GRANTED.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED AS FOLLOWS:

- A. This Court has personal jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter jurisdiction over these proceedings, and venue is proper in this County.
- B. No other person or entity was entitled to notice of these proceedings.
- C. The provisions of the Indian Child Welfare Act do not apply in this case.
- D. The parental rights of the biological parents of the minor child were terminated in a separate Final Judgment Terminating Parental Rights that was entered by this Court.
- E. The relief requested by Petitioners in the Petition for Adoption is in the best interests of the minor child, and the Petition for Adoption is hereby GRANTED.

- F. In entering this Final Judgment of Adoption, the Court hereby exercises its discretion pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 93-17-13(1) (West 20___) by waiving and dispensing with the usual six-month waiting period and the entry of an Interlocutory Decree of Adoption. The immediate entry of a Final Judgment of Adoption is in the best interests of the minor child.
- G. The Department of Vital Records of the Mississippi State Board of Health is hereby directed to record and issue to Petitioners a new Mississippi Certificate of Live Birth for the minor child, changing the minor child's name to [NEW NAME], and identifying and recording Petitioner [ADOPTIVE MOTHER] as the mother of the minor child and Petitioner [ADOPTIVE FATHER] as the father of the minor child.
- H. The minor child is hereby declared to be by all legal intents and purposes the child of [Petitioners]. As such, the minor child shall hereafter be afforded full and complete rights of inheritance from and through Petitioners and their other family members, and, vested in the minor child and in Petitioners and their family members, shall be all mutual rights of inheritance arising and existing under and by virtue of Miss. Code Ann. §§ 93-17-13(2) and 11-7-13 (West 20___), and the laws of the State of Mississippi. Further, the natural parents and their family members shall be precluded from inheriting from the minor child, although the minor child can still inherit from the natural parents.
- I. The usual requirement of appointment of a Guardian ad Litem under Miss. Code Ann. § 93-17-8(5) (West 20___) is hereby waived. **[IF THIS APPLIES – OTHERWISE MENTION GAL QUALIFICATIONS AND**

**RECOMMENDATION, AND IF THE COURT DISAGREED, REFER TO
THE REASONS SET FORTH IN THE MEMORANDUM OPINION.]**

- J. The usual requirement of a formal home study under Miss. Code Ann. § 93-17-11 (West 20____) is hereby waived. **[IF THIS APPLIES – OTHERWISE MENTION THE HOME STUDY, AS DISCUSSED IN THE MEMORANDUM OPINION.]**
- K. The Clerk of Court shall provide to the Attorney for Petitioners **four (4) certified copies** of this Order.

SO ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED this the _____ day of _____,
20_____.

CHANCELLOR

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