

ADOPT-215 Adoption Order

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

1 Adopting parent(s)

a. Name: _____

b. Name: _____

Relationship to child: _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime telephone number: _____

Lawyer (if any) (name, address, telephone number, email address, and State Bar number): _____

2 Information about the child

Child's name after adoption: _____

First name: _____

Middle name: _____

Last name: _____

Date of birth: _____ Age: _____

Place of birth (if known): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____

3 Name of adoption agency (if any): _____

4 Hearing details

Hearing date: _____ Dept.: _____ Div.: _____ Rm.: _____

Judicial officer: _____ Clerk's office telephone number: _____

People present at the hearing:

Adopting parent(s) Lawyer for adopting parent(s)

Child Child's lawyer

Parent keeping parental rights: _____

Other people present (list each name and relationship to child): _____

a. _____

b. _____

Check here if there are more names. Attach a sheet of paper, write "ADOPT-215, Item 4" at the top, and list the additional names and each person's relationship to child. You may use form MC-025, Attachment.

The hearing is waived pursuant to Family Code section 9000.5 (Check this box only if this is an adoption confirming parentage of a parent who was married to or in a state-registered domestic partnership, including a registered domestic partnership or civil union from another jurisdiction, with the legal parent at the time the child was born.)

Judge will fill out section below.

5 The judge finds that the child (check all that apply):

a. Is 12 or older and agrees to the adoption

b. Is under 12

c. Is not required to consent because this is a tribal customary adoption.

Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of _____

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

Case Number: _____



Case Number: _____

Your name: _____

- 6 The judge has reviewed the report and other documents and evidence and finds that each adopting parent:
 - a. Is at least 10 years older than the child or meets the criteria in Family Code section 8601(b);
 - b. Will treat the child as their own;
 - c. Will support and care for the child;
 - d. Has a suitable home for the child; *and*
 - e. Agrees to adopt the child.

7 Child's name before adoption
Complete for nonrelative agency, independent, intercountry, or stepparent adoption.
If this is an adoption of a dependent child by a relative filed under Family Code section 8714.5, complete only if requested by the adopting relative or by the child being adopted, if 12 years of age or older.
 First name: _____ Middle name: _____ Last name: _____

8 The child is an Indian child. The judge finds that this adoption meets the placement requirements of the Indian Child Welfare Act or that there is good cause to give preference to these adopting parents. The clerk will fill out 13 below.

9 The judge approves the *Contact After Adoption Agreement* (form [ADOPT-310](#))
 As submitted As amended on form ADOPT-310

10 This is a tribal customary adoption. The tribal customary adoption order of the _____ tribe dated _____ containing ___ pages and attached hereto is fully incorporated into this order of adoption.

11 This is an adoption under the Hague Adoption Convention. *Verification of Compliance with Hague Adoption Convention Attachment* (form ADOPT-216) is attached and fully incorporated into this order.

12 This is an adoption involving an additional parent or parents. All persons with existing parental rights agreed to this adoption and will maintain their existing parental rights. An agreement waiving termination of parental rights, signed by both the existing parent(s) and the adopting parent(s), was filed with the court.

13 The judge believes the adoption is in the child's best interest and orders this adoption.
 The child's name after adoption will be:

First name: _____ Middle name: _____ Last name: _____

The adopting parent or parents and the child are now parent and child under the law, with all the rights and duties of the parent-child relationship or, in the case of a tribal customary adoption, all the rights and duties set out in the tribal customary adoption order and Welfare and Institutions Code section 366.24.

The judge believes it will serve public policy and the best interest of the child to grant the request of the adopting parent or parents for the court to make this order effective as of (date): _____.

Date: _____
 (Date of Signature)

 Judge (or Judicial Officer)

Clerk will fill out section below.

14 Clerk's Certificate of Mailing

For the adoption of an Indian child, the clerk certifies:

I am not a party to this adoption. I placed a filed copy of:

- Adoption Request* (form ADOPT-200) *Adoption of Indian Child* (form ADOPT-220)
 - Adoption Order* (form ADOPT-215) *Contact After Adoption Agreement* (form ADOPT-310)
- in a sealed envelope, marked "Confidential" and addressed to:

Chief, Division of Social Services
 Bureau of Indian Affairs
 1849 C Street, NW
 Mail Stop 310-SIB
 Washington, DC 20240

The envelope was mailed by U.S. mail, with full postage, from:

Place: _____ on (date): _____

Date: _____ Clerk, by: _____, Deputy