



PUEBLO OF LAGUNA COURT CIVIL COVER SHEET

This document is CONFIDENTIAL, and shall not be disclosed to the public. The purpose of this document is to assist the Court in keeping accurate records and making sure that we notify the correct people of upcoming Court hearings.

Because you started this legal action you are called the Petitioner(s). The person or persons that you are bringing the action against are called the Respondent(s).

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL INFORMATION IS FILLED IN ACCURATELY OR TO THE BEST OF YOUR KNOWLEDGE. UNFILLED INFORMATION ONLY DELAYS THE COURT PROCESS.

PETITIONER

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Social Security # ____ - ____ - ____

Tribal Affiliation: _____ Enrollment#: _____ Phone #: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

PETITIONER

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Social Security # ____ - ____ - ____

Tribal Affiliation: _____ Enrollment#: _____ Phone #: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

RESPONDENT's mailing or physical information MUST be filled out in order for the courts to serve proper notice. It is the Petitioners responsibility to provide the mailing/physical information.

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Social Security # ____ - ____ - ____

Tribal Affiliation: _____ Enrollment#: _____ Phone #: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

RESPONDENT

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Social Security # ____ - ____ - ____

Tribal Affiliation: _____ Enrollment#: _____ Phone #: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
PUEBLO OF LAGUNA
IN THE TRIBAL COURT

IN THE MATTER OF THE

NO. _____

PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF:

PETITION FOR ADOPTION

Pursuant to the Pueblo of Laguna Resolutions NO. 11-82, Adoption by the Laguna Tribal Council on February 22, 1982, we state the following;

1. I, _____, age _____, and I _____, age _____, are enrolled members of the Pueblo/Tribe of _____, and currently reside in the Village of _____, New Mexico on the Pueblo of Laguna Reservation. We have resided on this reservation for all of our respective lives.

2. We/I are/not married on _____, _____, in _____ (city).

3. That the above-named _____ a minor age (s) _____ child/children was born _____ day of _____ in the _____ (city) enrolled member of Pueblo/Tribe _____, New Mexico.

4. The above-named minor child/children has/have been in our care and has lived with use for the following length of time _____.

5. The *consent of the natural mother*, _____ age _____ an enrolled member of the Pueblo/Tribe of _____, and resides at _____ has/has not been obtained, such affidavit of consent is/is not attached hereto as evidencing the natural mother consent.

6. The *consent of the natural father*, _____ age _____ an enrolled member of the Pueblo/Tribe of _____, and resides at _____ has/has not been obtained, such affidavit of consent is/is not attached hereto as evidencing the natural mother consent.

7. *(If applicable)* the consent of the *natural mother* should be waived in the particular situation for the following reason:

8. *(If applicable)* the consent of the *natural father* should be waived in the particular situation for the following reason:

9. *(Alternative)* the consent of the *natural father* is not required as the natural father was not and is not married to the natural mother, and has never acknowledged the child/children as his own. The above-named child _____ has not been adopted by the natural father nor has paternity been established by any court proceedings.

10. The home investigation required by Section 40-7 13 N,N,S,A, 1978 and as adopted by the Tribal Council in Resolution No. 11-82 has/has not been complied with, such home investigation report is/is not attached hereto as evidence such compliance.

11. *(If applicable)* the reason that a home investigation has not been done, and in this particular case should be waived, is that:

12. That we are fit and proper persons to adopt the above-named minor child/children, and that we will care for and protect the minor child/children to best of our ability.

WHEREFORE, we pray the Court;

1. To enter an order granting our petition for adoption of the above-named minor child/children, and that from and after the date of such order the said minor child be decreed and considered, for all legal purposed, the child of said petitioners, and that the name of the said minor child/children shall heretofore to known as _____.

Respectfully Submitted

Name of Petitioners

Address/City/State

Telephone

IN THE PUEBLO COURT
PUEBLO OF LAGUNA
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION FOR
ADOPTION OF MINOR CHILD:

_____.

NO. _____

**AFFIDAVIT OF CONSENT FOR
STEP PARENT ADOPTION**

I, _____, am the natural *mother/father* of the above-named minor child(ren) and I hereby voluntarily consent to the adoption of the said minor child(ren) by _____.

(petitioner's name)

Signature

Print name

Address

Telephone

The foregoing consent of the natural father/mother was acknowledged, subscribed and sworn to, before me on this _____ day of _____, 20____, by _____.

Notary Public/Court Clerk

(Notary Seal)

My Commission Expires:

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
PUEBLO OF LAGUNA
IN THE TRIBAL COURT

IN THE MATTER OF THE

NO. _____

PETITION FOR CESSATION OF
PARENTAL RIGHTS

AFFIDAVIT OF CONSENT
(CESSATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS)

I _____ am the *natural mother/father* of the above named child/children and I voluntarily consent to the relinquishment of parental rights to the said minor child/children.

Signature

Print Name

Address/City/State

Telephone

The foregoing consent of the natural mother/father was acknowledged, subscribed, and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, _____ by _____.

Notary Public

(SEAL)

My Commission Expires

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
PUEBLO OF LAGUNA
IN THE TRIBAL COURT

IN THE MATTER OF THE

NO. _____

PETITION FOR CESSATION OF
PARENTAL RIGHTS

AFFIDAVIT OF CONSENT
(CESSATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS)

I _____ am the *natural mother/father* of the above named child/children and I voluntarily consent to the relinquishment of parental rights to the said minor child/children.

Signature

Print Name

Address/City/State

Telephone

The foregoing consent of the natural mother/father was acknowledged, subscribed, and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, _____ by _____.

Notary Public

(SEAL)

My Commission Expires

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
PUEBLO OF LAGUNA
IN THE TRIBAL COURT**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF:**

NO. _____

CESSATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS CERTIFICATION

I _____ Laguna Judge of the Pueblo of Laguna, do hereby certify that;

1. I am the Presiding Judge of the Pueblo of Laguna duly appointed by the Laguna Council pursuant to the Judges Ordinance of January 22, 2003.
2. This Court has jurisdiction over both the parties and the subject matter of the above-entitled cause of action, pursuant to the Laguna Children's Code of February 11, 2003 and the Indian Child Welfare Act:
3. Pursuant to 25 USSC 1913, I fully explained to _____ the *natural mother/father* of the aforementioned child/children the terms and consequences and his/her consent;

_____ Relinquishment of parental rights

_____ Relinquishment placement

_____ Adoption

and I am completely satisfied, after extensive questioning of the *natural mother/ father* that he/she fully understands the meaning and gravity of his/her;

_____ Relinquishment of parents rights

_____ Relinquishment placement

_____ Adoption

_____ am I am completely satisfied that he/she is fluent in the English language;

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_____ I was not completely satisfied that he/she is fluent in the English language so I utilized the services of an interpreter with is fluent in the primary language of the parent herein the language used was _____ the interpreter was _____ (Name & Address)

I _____, am the *natural mother/father* of the above-named minor child/children, and I do hereby certify that:

1. I was fully informed in detail as to the terms and consequences of my consent to;

- _____ Relinquishment of parental rights
- _____ Relinquishment placement
- _____ Adoption

and that I am hereby voluntary consenting to the relinquishment of my parental rights to the above-named minor child/children.

Natural Parent's Signature and Address

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Tribal Court, at my office, in Laguna New Mexico, this ____ day of _____,

Laguna Tribal Court Judge
P.O. Box 194
Laguna, New Mexico 87026

(COURT SEAL)