

**TIMOTHY J. GREDELL, JUDGE**

TO \_\_\_\_\_ (Requested Name)

# APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF NAME OF MINOR

[R.C. 2717.01]

to 

First	Middle	Last
First	Middle	Last

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

- ☐ The Waiver of Notice of Hearing and Consent of Parent 2 or the alleged father accompanies this Application.
- ☐ Applicant states that the address of Parent 2 or the alleged father is unknown. Applicant has exercised all due diligence and made every reasonable effort to find the current address but cannot locate this individual.
- ☐ There is no person alleged to be the father/Parent 2 of the minor.

An Affidavit in support of this Application is attached.

The Applicant will serve Notice of the Hearing on any nonconsenting parent or alleged father as the Court requires pursuant to R.C. 2717.14.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney for Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed or Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed or Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

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City State Zip

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Telephone Number (include area code)

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Telephone Number (include area code)

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Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

Attorney Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_

**PROBATE COURT OF GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO**

**TIMOTHY J. GRENDELL, JUDGE**

**IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Present Name)

**TO** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Requested Name)

**CASE NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

**AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF  
APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF NAME OF MINOR  
[R.C. 2717.06]**

State of Ohio }  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ } SS

The undersigned, in support of the Applicant's Application for Change of Name of Minor, deposes, says, and verifies the following:

Check all that apply:

1. ☐ Applicant is the ☐ parent ☐ legal guardian ☐ legal custodian ☐ guardian ad litem of the minor;
2. ☐ The minor has been a bona fide resident of \_\_\_\_\_, County, Ohio, for at least sixty (60) days immediately prior to the filing of the Application;
3. ☐ The Application is not made for the purpose of evading any creditors or other obligations;
4. ☐ The minor has not been adjudicated a delinquent child for identity fraud;
5. ☐ The minor does not have a duty to comply with R.C. 2950.04 or R.C. 2950.041 because the minor was NOT adjudicated a delinquent child for having committed a sexually oriented offense or a child-victim-oriented offense;

Any other information relevant to the Application

All documentary evidence submitted with the Application is true, accurate, and complete.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public/Deputy Clerk

**PROBATE COURT OF GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO**  
**TIMOTHY J. GRENDALL, JUDGE**

**IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF** \_\_\_\_\_  
TO \_\_\_\_\_  
**CASE NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

(Present Name)  
(Requested Name)

**CONSENT TO CHANGE OF NAME**  
[R.C. 2717.14]

The undersigned \_\_\_\_\_

**[check one of the following 2 capacities by which your consent is given]**

Parent

Alleged Father

hereby waives notice of the hearing on the Application for Change of Name and consents to the change of  
name of \_\_\_\_\_  
to \_\_\_\_\_  
as proposed in the Application.

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk/Notary Public

**PROBATE COURT OF GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO**  
**TIMOTHY J. GRENDALL, JUDGE**

**IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Present Name)  
**TO** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Requested Name)  
**CASE NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

**[ ] JUDGMENT ENTRY [ ] MAGISTRATE'S DECISION**  
**CHANGING NAME OF MINOR**  
**[R.C. 2717.09]**

On \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, an Application for Change of Name of Minor was heard by this Court. The Court finds that all parties entitled to notice, e.g., legal parents, parent, father, or alleged father, either have waived notice of hearing and consented to the Application or were properly served and failed to object to the Application. The Court finds that Applicant has provided sufficient proof that the facts in the Application show reasonable and proper cause for changing the minor's name as requested.

The Court finds the minor's complete name at birth was \_\_\_\_\_. The minor's date of birth is \_\_\_\_\_, and the place of birth is \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
City County State

Therefore, it is **ORDERED** the name of \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

be changed to \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_  
Judge / Magistrate

**Judgment Entry Adopting Magistrate's Decision**

The Court, having reviewed the record and the Magistrate's Decision for any errors pursuant to Civ. R. 53, finds that Decision to be well taken, adopts that Decision as an Order of this Court, and incorporates the Decision into the Entry by reference.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_  
Judge Timothy J. Grendell

**CERTIFICATION OF JUDGMENT ENTRY**

The above Judgment Entry Changing Name of Minor is a true copy of the original kept by me as custodian of the records of this Court.

**Judge Timothy J. Grendell**

**(Seal)**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**PROBATE COURT OF GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO  
TIMOTHY J. GRENDALL, JUDGE**

**IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Present Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name Requested)  
**Case No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF NAME**  
[R.C. 2717.01]

Applicant hereby gives notice to all interested persons and to \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Necessary person whose address is unknown)

whose last known address is \_\_\_\_\_,

that the applicant has filed an Application for Change of Name in the Probate Court of Geauga County, Ohio,

requesting the change of name of \_\_\_\_\_

to \_\_\_\_\_.

The hearing on the application will be held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_,

at \_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_M. in the Probate Court of Geauga, County, located at the Court Annex, 231 Main Street - 2nd  
Floor, Chardon, Ohio 44024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed or Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

Note to Publisher: The above legal notice including the caption is to be published once in its entirety. Costs are to be paid by applicant and an Affidavit of Publication is to be furnished to applicant.

**PROBATE COURT OF GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO**  
**TIMOTHY J. GRENDELL, JUDGE**

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF \_\_\_\_\_  
TO \_\_\_\_\_  
CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

(Present Name)  
(Requested Name)

**APPLICATION TO WAIVE PUBLICATION AND SEAL FILE**  
[R.C. 2717.11]

Now comes \_\_\_\_\_, pursuant to R.C. 2717.11, hereby requests this Court to waive the publication and order the file in the above-captioned matter be sealed. The open records of the name change or publication of the hearing notice will jeopardize the applicant's personal safety for the following reason:

☐ Exhibits attached in support of application.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney for Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

Attorney Reg. No. \_\_\_\_\_

**JUDGMENT ENTRY WAIVING PUBLICATION AND SEALING FILE**

It is hereby ORDERED that the publication for the Application for Change of Name is waived, and the file in the above-captioned matter be and hereby is sealed pursuant to R.C.2717.11. The record of these proceedings shall be opened only by Order of the Court for good cause shown or at the request of the applicant for any reason.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Probate Judge

**PROBATE COURT OF GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO**  
**JUDGE TIMOTHY J. GRENDALL**

**In Re** \_\_\_\_\_, ☐ Estate  
☐ Guardianship  
**Case No.** \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**AFFIDAVIT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION**  
**[Civ.R. 73(C) and Civ .R. 4.4(A)(1) ]**

The undersigned, being duly sworn, states the following:

1. The undersigned is: ☐ a party ☐ an attorney for a party, in the above titled action.
2. Service of Summons cannot be made upon the following Defendants because the residence of such person(s) is unknown to the undersigned; the residence of those person(s) to be served or notified cannot be ascertained with reasonable diligence; and such Defendant(s), together with their last known address, are set forth below:

Name	Last Known Address
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

3. The efforts made to ascertain the residence of such Defendant(s) are the following:

4. The undersigned requests service of summons by newspaper publication

State of Ohio  
County of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Affiant

Sworn to or affirmed and subscribed before me by \_\_\_\_\_, this  
\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk/Notary Public