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- Instructions:**
- 1) A parent or guardian, or other authorized person or agency under C.G.S. section 45a-715, may use this form to petition for 1) termination of parental rights of a parent or parents of a minor child based on consent of the parent to be terminated AND 2) an adoption by a stepparent, co-parent or relative. The relative must be a person descended from a common ancestor, whether by blood or adoption, but not more than three generations removed from the child.
  - 2) The petition should be filed in the court for the probate district in which the adoptive parent resides or in the case of a minor who is under the guardianship of any child care facility or child-placing agency, in the district in which the main or local office of the agency is located.
  - 3) The following documents should be filed with the petition: a) A long-form birth certificate, b) JD-FM-164, Affidavit Concerning Children, c) a statement of facts concerning the consent termination and the Affidavit of Consent to Termination of Parental Rights, JD-JM-60, d) Adoption Data Sheet, PC-680, e) Agreement of Adoption, PC-681.
  - 4) For more information, see C.G.S. sections 45a-715 et seq., 45a-724 et seq., 46b-115 et seq., and 52-231a, and Probate Court Rules of Procedure, rule 40.
  - 5) Type or print the form in ink. Use an additional sheet, or Second Sheet, PC-180, if more space is needed.

Probate Court Name	District Number
<b>In the Matter of</b> (Minor's name and address where minor is residing. Hereinafter referred to as the minor child.	<b>Place of Birth of Minor Child</b>
	<b>Birth Date of Minor Child</b>

**Tribe and Reservation of Minor Child, if an Indian Child as defined by 25 U.S.C. section 1903** (Name and address)

**Jurisdiction based on:**

- Adoptive parent resides in the probate district
- Minor child is under the guardianship of a duly-licensed child care or child-placing agency, which has an office in the probate district.

**Petitioner** (Name, address and telephone number and the nature of the relationship to the minor child)

**Parents of Minor Child** (For each parent, list name, address, telephone number, date of birth, military service of United States or Allied Nation (50 U.S.C. App. 520), Indian tribe and reservation, if a member as defined by 25 U.S.C. section 1903, and whether the parent is legally incompetent. Include any putative father of a child born out of wedlock. C.G.S. section 45a-716 (b) (2))

1.
  - a. Relationship to minor child:
  - b. Date of birth:
  - c. In military service of US or Allied Nation  Yes  No
  - d. Indian tribe or reservation:
  - e. Legally incompetent  Yes  No

- 2.
- a. Relationship to minor child:
  - b. Date of birth:
  - c. In military service of US or Allied Nation:  Yes  No
  - d. Indian tribe or reservation:
  - e. Legally incompetent  Yes  No

Hereinafter referred to as the respondent (s).

**If a parent listed above is a minor or legally incompetent, list the parents or guardian/conservator for the parent**  
(Include the name, address, telephone number and relationship.)

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2.

**Name of parent whose parental rights were previously terminated.** (Provide a copy of the court decree.)

**Adoptive Parent (s)** (Name, address, telephone number and the nature of the relationship to the minor child)

**Guardian of the person of the minor, if not a parent** (For each guardian, list name, address, telephone number, date of appointment as guardian and the court that appointed the guardian.)

**Child-placing agency involved with the minor child, if not the petitioner** (Name, address and telephone number)

**The petitioner represents that:**

\_\_\_\_\_ consent(s) to termination of his or her parental rights with respect to minor child. (Affidavit/ Consent to Termination of Parental Rights, JD-JM-60, and a statement of facts must accompany this petition.)

**and** (Check one of the following.)

- The sole parent of the minor child has entered into an Adoption Agreement for the adoption of the minor child with his or her spouse. The sole parent is not relinquishing parental rights to the child.
- The sole parent of the child has entered into an Adoption Agreement for the adoption of the minor child with a person who shares parental responsibility for child with such parent. The sole parent is not relinquishing parental rights to the child.
- The guardian (s) of the person of the minor child have entered into an Adoption Agreement for the adoption of the minor child with the adoptive parent (s), one of whom is a relative by blood or adoption, descended from a common ancestor not more than three generations removed from the minor child.

**Statement of facts in support of termination of parental rights based on consent:**

The information contained in the Adoption Data Sheet, PC-680 and other documents submitted with the petition is true and complete to the best knowledge and belief of the petitioner.

The termination of parental rights of the parent(s), \_\_\_\_\_, and adoption by the adoptive parent (s) is in the best interests of the child.

**The petitioner further represents that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief:**

The minor child  has resided  has not resided in Connecticut continuously for the last six months.

There  is a proceeding  is no proceeding pending or contemplated in Connecticut or any other state affecting the custody of the minor child.

There  has been a proceeding  has not been a proceeding in the past in Connecticut or any other state affecting the custody of the minor child.

There  is  is not a current safety or service agreement between the Department of Children and Families and the parent/guardian of the minor child.

There  is  is not a current protective order or restraining order involving any party. If so, please attach.

The minor child  is  is not the subject of a pre-existing child support order.

**WHEREFORE, the petitioner requests** that the court terminate the parental rights of \_\_\_\_\_, and approve the Adoption Agreement on file.

The petitioner further requests that the court change the name of the minor child to: \_\_\_\_\_.

**The representations made in this petition are made under the penalty of false statement.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Petitioner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Type or Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Consent to Termination**

**I consent to the termination of my parental rights with respect to the minor child.** (Any consent to termination of parental rights must be accompanied by an Affidavit/ Consent to Termination of Parental Rights, JD-JM-60. C.G.S. section 45a-715. A parent may waive personal service by filing a Waiver of Personal or Abode Service/Parental Rights Matter, PC-633.)

Signature of Parent	Duly Acknowledged Before Me
Type or Print Name	
Date	Judge, Clerk, Public Notary, Comm. Sup. Ct.
Signature of Parent	Duly Acknowledged Before Me
Type or Print Name	
Date	Judge, Clerk, Public Notary, Comm. Sup. Ct.

**Joinder and Consent of Minor Child**

**I, the undersigned minor child, being at least 12 years of age, do join in the petition for termination of parental rights and consent to adoption by the proposed adoptive parent (s).** C.G.S. sections 45a-715 and 45a-724.

Signature of Minor Child	Duly Acknowledged Before Me
Type or Print Name	
Date	Judge, Clerk, Public Notary, Comm. Sup. Ct.

**Legal Effects of a Termination of Parental Rights Decree**

Termination of parental rights means “the complete severance by court order of the legal relationship, with all of its rights and responsibilities between the child and his parent or parents so that the child is free for adoption except it shall not affect the right of inheritance of the child or the religious affiliation of the child.” C.G.S. section 45a-707(8). (Inheritance rights cease upon adoption.) No action taken with respect to the termination of parental rights of one parent affects the parental rights of the other parent.

Upon a decree of termination of parental rights, the parent will NO LONGER have the following rights and responsibilities with respect to the minor child who is the subject of the decree:

- The legal right to custody, guardianship or control of the minor child. The parent will have no legal right to care for the minor child or to make any decisions on behalf of the minor child.
- The legal right to the minor child's birth certificate.
- The legal right to any state and federal benefits the parent may have been receiving for the minor child.
- The legal responsibility to support the minor child and to pay for the minor child's maintenance, medical and other expenses, but the parent MAY be responsible for support of the minor child until the effective date of the termination.
- The legal responsibility to care for the minor child or make any decisions on his or her behalf.

Furthermore, upon a decree of termination, the minor child will be legally free for adoption, and the parent will have no right to notice of the adoption proceedings nor any right to participate in the proceedings.

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**Probate Court Name**

**District Number**

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**In the Matter of**

**, a minor child.**

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**The social security numbers of the following persons are required in connection with this proceeding.**

**1) Mother/ Parent 1:**

**a. Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Social Security Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**2) Father/ Parent 2:**

**a. Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Social Security Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**3) Adoptive Parent(s)**

**a. Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Social Security Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**b. Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Social Security Number** \_\_\_\_\_