

TO GET A NEW BIRTH CERTIFICATE AFTER ADOPTION

When a child is adopted through an Alabama court, the court forwards the order of adoption and information showing the child's new name and the names of the new parents to the Center for Health Statistics in Alabama. Upon receipt of the information, the Center for Health Statistics will do one of the following depending upon where your child was born:

IF YOUR ADOPTED CHILD WAS BORN IN ALABAMA:

- The Center for Health Statistics will prepare a new birth certificate for your child showing the new names.
- The fee to prepare the new certificate of birth after adoption is \$25.00 which includes one certified copy of the new record. Additional copies of the same record ordered at the same time are \$6.00 each.
- To obtain a copy of your child's new birth certificate, complete the application form below.

IF YOUR ADOPTED CHILD WAS NOT BORN IN ALABAMA:

- The new birth certificate for your child must be prepared in the state where your child was born.
- The fee for the Center for Health Statistics to forward the order of adoption to your child's state of birth is \$10.00.
- Upon receipt of the fee, the Center for Health Statistics will forward the court order of adoption and the information showing the new name to the appropriate vital records office in the state where your child was born.
- Sign the documents forwarded by the Center for Health Statistics, the state where your child was born will then prepare a new birth certificate according to its laws. They may require an additional fee.
- You will need to contact the state of birth for a copy of the new certificate. Information on other state vital records offices may be obtained at www.cdc.gov/nchs under the Top 10 Links.

Complete and send the application below with the appropriate fee for the action you are requesting to:

Center for Health Statistics
Adoption Section
P.O. Box 5625
Montgomery, AL 36103-5625

If you have additional questions, call (334) 206-2637.

PLEASE ALLOW 2-4 WEEKS AFTER THE COURT ACTION HAS BEEN COMPLETED BEFORE MAILING YOUR APPLICATION AND FEE.

STATE OF BIRTH _____	COUNTY OF BIRTH _____
FULL NAME AFTER ADOPTION _____	FIRST _____ MIDDLE _____ LAST _____
DATE OF BIRTH _____	SEX _____
FULL MAIDEN NAME OF ADOPTIVE MOTHER _____	FIRST _____ MIDDLE _____ LAST _____
FULL NAME OF ADOPTIVE FATHER _____	FIRST _____ MIDDLE _____ LAST _____

APPLICANT SECTION (THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED)

Enclose appropriate fee. Make check payable to "Alabama Vital Records." FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE.

If Alabama Birth, Number of Copies: _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Anyone falsely applying for a record is subject to a penalty upon conviction of up to three months in the county jail or a fine of up to \$500. Code of Ala. 1975, § 13A-10-109. By signing, you are certifying you have a legal right to the record requested.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PRINT NAME _____ DAY TIME PHONE (____) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____