



Adoption Placement Agreement

The Adoption Act, Division 1 of Part 3

IN THE MATTER OF:

_____ ("the child")
(Given Names only)

born the ____ day of _____, ____.

BETWEEN:

_____ ("the applicant(s)")
of _____,
(complete address)

in the Province of _____

-and-

_____ ("the agency")

WHEREAS:

1. The applicant(s) has/have made application for placement of a child in compliance with section 36 of *The Adoption Act*;
2. The names and particulars of the applicant(s) has/have been duly entered in the central adoption registry in compliance with section 39 of *The Adoption Act*;
3. The Director of Child and Family Services has approved the placement of the child with the applicant(s), in compliance with section 42 of *The Adoption Act*; and
4. The agency has agreed to place the child in the home of the applicant(s) for the purpose of adoption.

THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSES:

1. The applicant(s) hereby acknowledge and agree:
 - (a) On request of the agency, to pay for the transportation of the child to the home of the applicant(s);

(b) To undertake responsibility for the proper care, maintenance, support and education of the child from the date of placement;

(c) To notify the agency or its nominee immediately in case of any serious illness of the child, or if the child should leave the care of the applicant(s);

(d) To notify the agency or its nominee immediately of any change of address and report from time to time to the agency, as it may require, regarding the welfare of the child;

(e) To immediately return the child to the agency if the agency notifies the applicant(s) that a Voluntary Surrender of Guardianship with respect to the child was withdrawn within twenty-one days after signing, in compliance with clause 44(3) of *The Adoption Act*;

(f) To immediately return the child to the agency if, in the opinion of the agency, it is in the child's best interests to be removed from the home of the applicant(s) prior to an Order of Adoption being made;

(g) With the approval of the agency, to proceed with an application to the court for an Order of Adoption of the child in compliance with section 49 of *The Adoption Act*.

(h) To pay such fees and expenses approved by regulation for services rendered in relation to the proposed adoption, whether or not an Order of Adoption is made;

(i) That _____ has/have been informed of the availability and effect of openness agreements in *The Adoption Act*;

(j) That _____ has/have been informed of the financial assistance to a person adopting a child which may be authorized by the Director of Child and Family Services under section 34 of *The Adoption Act*;

(k) That if an Order of Adoption is made in Manitoba as a result of this agreement, _____ has/have been informed that

i) adoptive parents may, on behalf of the child, register on the post-adoption registry to request a search by the director to locate the adoptee's birth parent or adult birth siblings, provided that the child consents if he or she is 12 years of age or older;

ii) a registration on the post-adoption registry by an adoptive parent will no longer be valid when the adoptee becomes an adult unless the adoptee consents to the registration being continued;

iii) when the adoptee turns 16, he or she may file a contact preference on the post-adoption registry to indicate his or her preferences concerning contact, if any, with his or her birth parents;

iv) if the adoptee files a contact preference, he or she may include with it

A) a description of his or her preferences regarding contact;

B) an explanation for his or her preferences regarding contact;

C) a brief summary of any available information about his or her medical or social history and that of his or her family; and

D) any other relevant non-identifying information;

- v) the adoptee may cancel his or her contact preference at any time by notifying the post-adoption registry in a form and manner acceptable to the director;
- vi) when the adoptee reaches the age of majority, he or she may apply to the director for a copy of his or her pre-adoption Manitoba birth registration or information from his or her pre-adoption non-Manitoba birth registration;
- vii) when the adoptee reaches the age of majority, the birth parent(s) named on his or her pre-adoption Manitoba birth registration may apply to the director for a copy of the adoptee's pre-adoption birth registration and substituted registration of birth, from which will be removed any identifying information about the adoptive parents;
- viii) when the adoptee who was adopted in Manitoba turns 18, he or she may register on the post-adoption registry to request a search by the director to locate his or her birth parents and adult birth siblings;
- ix) the sharing of identifying information or personal contact will not occur except in accordance with *The Adoption Act*.

2. The agency agrees as follows:

- (a) That if in the opinion of the agency it is in the best interests of the child, and all the requirements of *The Adoption Act* have been satisfied, it will consent to the adoption of the child by the applicant(s);
- (b) That the agency hereby consents to any medical treatment or surgical operation that is deemed necessary by a qualified physician for the health and welfare of the child.

SIGNED, by the applicant(s) on the ____ day of _____, _____.

Witness

Applicant

Witness

Applicant

SIGNED on behalf of the agency on the ____ day _____, _____.

Witness

Agency Director/Regional Manager

Copy 1 – Court of King's Bench (Family Division)
 Copy 2 – Child's File
 Copy 3 – Applicant(s)' File
 Copy 4 – Applicant(s)
 Copy 5 – The director
 All five copies must be signed and witnessed.