

## DECLARATION OF MOTHER

### INSTRUCTIONS:

#### For Independent Adoptions:

This form must be completed prior to the signing of the Adoption Placement Agreement. The birth mother may request assistance of family members to complete this form. To ensure completeness, this form must be filled out by the birth mother with the assistance of an Adoption Service Provider (ASP).

For Independent adoptions that do not require ASP services the form may be used by the California Department of Social Services District Office or Delegated County Adoption Agency to obtain information from the birth mother about any possible father(s).

#### For Agency Adoptions:

This form may be used by the Adoption Agency in obtaining information from the birth mother about any possible father(s).

### INFORMATION ABOUT THE BIRTH MOTHER

I, \_\_\_\_\_, make the following statement in connection with the adoption plans for my child.  
(Name of Birth Mother)

I am \_\_\_\_\_ years old.  
(Age)

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of a Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month, Day, Year) (City, State)

If not born, expected birth date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month, Day, Year)

Were you married when you became pregnant, during the pregnancy, or when the child was born?  Yes  No

If yes, give husband's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last known address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and place of marriage: \_\_\_\_\_

If you were married did your marriage end because of:  Divorce  Death  Annulment

If divorce or annulment, give date and place of the termination of your marriage:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Month, Day, Year) \_\_\_\_\_ (Place)

If deceased, give date and place of death:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Month, Day, Year) \_\_\_\_\_ (Place)

## QUESTIONS REGARDING POSSIBLE BIRTH FATHERS

(If more than one person may be the child's birth father, please provide the following information for each person whom you believe to be the child's birth father.)

There is more than one possible father:  Yes  No

If yes, please give the name, address, phone number and birth date for each possible father:

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INITIAL In addition to the above information, I am aware that I must complete this form (AD 880) for each possible father listed above.

## INFORMATION ABOUT POSSIBLE BIRTH FATHER

1. I believe that the birth father of the child is: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name, Including Any Aliases)

He lives at: \_\_\_\_\_

(If present address unknown, give any known past addresses.)

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He works for: \_\_\_\_\_

Job title: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Position, or Type of Work)

Give the names and addresses of any past employers, if known:

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2. Is he in school?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of School, City, State)

3. Is he in the armed forces?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, what branch of the armed forces is he enlisted in and where is he stationed? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Do you know where or when the birth father was born?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, date: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month, Day, Year: or Age) (City, State)

5. Where did you meet the birth father? \_\_\_\_\_  
When did you meet the birth father? \_\_\_\_\_ (Month, Day, Year)  
How did you meet the birth father? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. Do you know any of his friends or relatives?  Yes  No  
If yes, give their names and addresses: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. Did you and the birth father get married or try to get married?  Yes  No  
If yes, give place and date: \_\_\_\_\_ (City, State, Date)

8. Did you and the birth father ever live together?  Yes  No  
If yes, where and when? \_\_\_\_\_ (Street Address, City, State)  
From \_\_\_\_\_ (Month, Day, Year) to \_\_\_\_\_ (Month, Day, Year)

When you lived together, were there any other persons who lived with you?  Yes  No  
If yes, give their names and present addresses: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. Did (or does) the birth father know you were pregnant with his child?  Yes  No  Don't Know  
Did you tell him he is the child's father?  Yes  No  
Has he ever given you any money or items to help with the pregnancy or child support expenses?  Yes  No  
If yes, what did he give you (if money, state amounts), and when?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever refused to take his money or items to help with the pregnancy or child support expenses?  Yes  No  
If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Has he promised you in writing to help support the child?  Yes  No  
If yes, where is the written agreement? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10. Is the birth father married to another woman?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, when, where, and in what manner? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, has he offered to take the child into his home?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, has he in fact taken the child into his home?  Yes  No  Don't Know

11. Has the birth father ever acknowledged that he is the father of the child?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, when, where, and in what manner? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Has the birth father ever told anyone he is the father?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, give names and addresses of persons he has told, and the circumstances: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

12. Did you and the birth father sign a Voluntary Declaration of Paternity?  Yes  No

If yes, when and where was the declaration signed? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

13. Has the child ever lived with the birth father rather than with you?  Yes  No

If yes, give dates: From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month, Day, Year) (Month, Day, Year)

14. Has the birth father ever written to, spoken to, or visited with the child?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, what did he do, when, and how many times (state in numbers): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever refused to let him write to, speak to, or visit with the child?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

15. Has a paternity test been administered to the child and any possible fathers?  Yes  No

If yes, who administered the tests and what were their results? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

16. Has a court ordered the birth father to help support the child?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, which court, when, and in what amounts? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

17. Has any legal action been brought to determine custody or paternity of the child?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, who brought the action, where, and when? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Has the legal action been resolved?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, how? \_\_\_\_\_

Is such action still pending?  Yes  No  Don't Know

If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Court, City, State)

18. Have you discussed adoption of the child with the birth father?  Yes  No  
Do you think he would agree to an adoption if that is what you wished?  Yes  No  Don't Know

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS**

1. The identity of the birth father of the minor is unknown to me because:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. I am unable to identify the birth father of the minor because:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**DECLARATION AND SIGNATURES**

\_\_\_\_\_  
INITIAL I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS INFORMATION IS GIVEN IN CONNECTION WITH ADOPTION PLANNING.

\_\_\_\_\_  
INITIAL I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Executed at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
(City, State) (Month, Day, Year)

The foregoing *Declaration of Mother* form was signed on:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Month, Day, Year) by \_\_\_\_\_ in the presence of:  
(Signature of Birth Mother)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Month, Day, Year) (Witness Name) (Witness Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Witness Address)