

<b>STATE OF MICHIGAN</b> <b>JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - FAMILY DIVISION</b> <b>COUNTY</b>	<b>ORDER FOLLOWING HEARING ON</b> <b>PETITION TO CHANGE NAME</b>	<b>FILE NO.</b>
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In the matter of the name change of \_\_\_\_\_  
Present first name(s), middle name(s), and last name(s) (type or print)

to \_\_\_\_\_  
Requested new first name(s), middle name(s), and last name(s) (type or print)

1. Date of Hearing: \_\_\_\_\_ Judge: \_\_\_\_\_ Bar no.

**THE COURT FINDS:**

- 2. A petition for name change has been filed.
- 3. Notice of hearing was given by publication.
- 4. Each person for whom a name change is sought has been a resident of the county for at least one year.
- 5. The court has received the required criminal record report(s) from the Michigan Department of State Police.
- 6. \_\_\_\_\_ has a criminal record.  
Name(s) (type or print)
- 7.  a. The request for name change of \_\_\_\_\_ is made with fraudulent intent.  
Name(s) (type or print)
- b. The request for name change of \_\_\_\_\_ is not made with fraudulent intent.  
Name(s) (type or print)
- 8. The petitioner, having legal custody, requests the name change of a minor. The noncustodial parent has consented to the name change.
- 9. The petitioner requests the name change of a minor. The custodial parent has consented to the name change. The noncustodial parent was given notice of the hearing.
  - a. The noncustodial parent has had the ability to visit, contact, or communicate with the minor but has regularly and substantially failed or neglected to do so for the past two years, **and**
    - a support order has been entered, and the noncustodial parent has failed to substantially comply with the order for a period of two years or more before the filing of the petition for name change. **or**
    - a support order has not been entered and the noncustodial parent, having the ability to support or assist in supporting the child, has failed or neglected to provide regular and substantial support for two years or more before the filing of the petition for name change.
  - b. The noncustodial parent has been convicted of child abuse (MCL 750.136b), criminal sexual conduct (MCL 750.520b, 750.520c, 750.520d, or 750.520e), or assault with intent to commit criminal sexual conduct (MCL 750.520g), and the child or a sibling of the child was the victim.
- 10. The minor(s) under the age of 14 has/have stated a preference to a name change.
- 11. The minor(s) is/are not of sufficient age to express a preference to a name change.

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**IT IS ORDERED:**

12. The name(s) of the following person(s) is/are changed:

FROM	TO	DATE OF BIRTH
		month, day, year
		month, day, year
		month, day, year
		month, day, year
		month, day, year
		month, day, year

13. The State Registrar shall create a new live birth certificate for \_\_\_\_\_  
Name

that does not disclose the name at birth and shall seal the original certificate.

14. The request to change the name of \_\_\_\_\_ is denied.  
Name

15. The request is denied and the petition is dismissed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney name (type or print) Bar no.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, state, zip Telephone no.

**NOTE TO PETITIONER:** You must provide this order to the State Registrar if you want to change your birth certificate.

**Note to Clerk:** Pursuant to MCL 711.1(3), if the court enters an order to change the name of a person who has a criminal record, the court shall forward the order to the Criminal Records Division of the Michigan State Police and to one or more of the following:

- The Department of Corrections if the person named in the order is in prison or on parole or has been imprisoned or released from parole in the immediately preceding two years.
- The sheriff of the county in which the person named in the order was last convicted if the person was incarcerated in a county jail or released from a county jail within the immediately preceding two years.
- The court that has jurisdiction over the person named in the order if the person named in the order is under the jurisdiction of the family division of the circuit court.