



CONSENT TO ADOPTION ORDER

(The Adoption (High Court) Rules, 1963 (L. 1. 276)

Whereas an application is to be/has been made by...../and.....

(or under the serial number (1) for an adoption order in respect of..... (2), juvenile;

[And whereas the juvenile is the person to whom the birth certificate (3) now produced and shown to me marked-“A”relates) (4).

I the undersigned..... of.....being (5) the mother/father (6), guardian of the juvenile hereby state as follows:

1. I understand that the effect of an adoption order will be to deprive me permanently of My rights as a parent/guardian and to transfer them to the applicant(s) and in particular I understand that, if an order is made, I shall have no right to see or get in touch with the juvenile or to have him/her returned to me:
2. I further understand that the court cannot make an adoption order without the consent of each parent or guardian of the juvenile unless the court dispenses with a consent on the ground that the person concerned had abandoned, neglected or persistently ill-treated the juvenile or cannot be found, or is incapable of giving consent, or, is unreasonably withholding consent.
3. I further understand that when the application for an adoption order is heard, this document may be used as evidence of my consent to the making of the order unless I inform the court that I no longer consent (7).
4. I hereby consent to the making of an adoption order in pursuance of the application p[on condition that the religious persuasion in which the juvenile is proposed to be brought up is.....] (8)
5. As far as I know, no other person or body has taken part in the arrangements for placing the juvenile in care and possession of the application(s) [except..... Of.....] (9)

.....
Signature

This form, duly completed, was signed, by the said..... before me (10) at.....

On the..... Day of..... 20*Signature*.....

Address.....

Description.....

Warning. It is an offence to receive or give any reward or payment for, or in consideration, of the adoption of the juvenile or for giving consent to the making of an adoption order, other than a payment sanctioned by the court.

NOTES

- (1) Insert either name of the applicant or the serial number assigned to the applicant for the purpose of the application.**
- (2) Insert the name(s) and surname as known to the consenting party.**
- (3) If the juvenile has previously been adopted a certified copy of the entry in the Adopted Children Register should be attached, and not a certified copy of the original entry in the Register of Births: and the description of the consenting party should include the words “by adoption” where appropriate.**
- (4) Delete the words in square brackets except where the consenting party is the mother or father of the juvenile and’ the birth certificate has not already been identified by the other parent.**
- (5) Delete all but one of the descriptions which follow.**
- (6) “Father” includes the natural father of an illegitimate child.**
- (7) Notice will be given of the making of the application and of the court by which it is to be heard. After the making of the application the consenting parent or parent or guardian cannot remove the infant from the care possession of the applicant except with leave of the court.**
- (8) Delete the word in square brackets if the applicant is named or if, although the applicant is not named, the consenting ‘party does not desire to impose a condition as to religious upbringing.**
- (9) Enter the name of any adoption society or body or any individual who is known to have arranged, or to have taken part in the arrangements for the juvenile to be placed in the care and possession of the applicant.**
- (10) In Ghana the document should be signed before an officer of the High Court or of any Circuit Court. Outside Ghana it should be signed before a person authorized to administer an oath for any judicial or legal purpose. Ghanaian consular officer a notary public or, if the person signing it is a member of the Armed Forces of Ghana, an officer holding a commission in any of those forces.**