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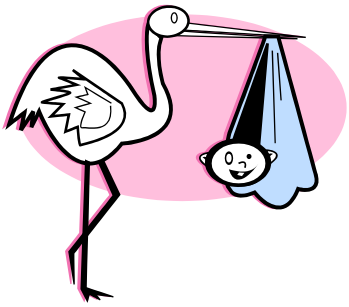

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Sacramento, CA 95899-7410
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What is an Acknowledgement of Paternity/Parentage?

This is a legal process whereby the parents "acknowledge" (establish) a paternal relationship with their child.

This process should only be used if you want to ***add*** the father/parent's name to the child's birth certificate if he/she ***was not included*** on the original birth certificate.

I listed the father/ parent's name on my child's birth certificate when it was originally prepared.

If you want to ***change*** the father/parent's name from who was listed on your child's original birth certificate, that must be done through the court system. This is referred to as an "adjudication" – the court will decide (adjudicate) the existence or nonexistence of the parent and child relationship.

We cannot change the father/parent's name on a registered certificate without the court order of adjudication.

Now I want to *change* the father/parent's name. How can I do that?

If you want to ***change*** the father/parent's name, ***please request our pamphlet entitled "Adjudication of Facts of Parentage."*** That pamphlet will provide you with all of the information you need for that process.

I *did not* list the father/parent's name on my child's birth certificate when it was originally prepared.

Can I *add* the father/parent's name now?

Yes. This pamphlet will guide you through the process.

You will need to complete an Application to Amend a Birth Record – Acknowledgement of Paternity/Parentage (VS 22).

This form must be signed by both parents. If a parent is unavailable, refuses to sign the Acknowledgement of Paternity/Parentage form, or is deceased, you will need to go to court, and the court will decide (adjudicate) the existence or nonexistence of the parent and child relationship. If you need to go to court, please request our pamphlet entitled "Adjudication of Facts of Parentage."

What is the fee for an Acknowledgement of Paternity/Parentage?

- $20 – which includes one Certified Copy of the new birth certificate.
- Additional copies are $20 each.
- Fees should be paid by check or money order payable to ***CDPH Vital Records***. International money orders for out-of-country requests should be payable in U.S. dollars.

What do I submit to *add* the father/parent's name (when he/she was previously *not* listed)?

If Your Child Was Born January 1, 1995 or Later:

- VS 22
- Although this item ***is not required***, it would help our staff if you could include a photocopy of the current birth certificate if you have it (this helps us identify the exact record to be amended).
- **If Parents Are Married:**
  - You ***must*** also include a photocopy of your marriage certificate.
  - You ***must*** also include a notarized Sworn Statement (see next section for more information).
- **If Parents registered as State Registered Domestic Partners (SRDP) on or after January 1, 2005:**
  - You **must** also include a photocopy of your SRDP Declaration.
  - You **must** also include a notarized Sworn Statement (see next Section for more information).
- **If Parents Are not Married:**

  The federal Welfare Reform Act requires that a Declaration of Paternity (CS 909) be signed by both parents in the presence of a witness and/or notarized before the father can be added to the birth certificate (see additional information in this pamphlet explaining where to get a Declaration of Paternity form). (This law went into effect January 1, 1995.)

  A legible copy of the completed Declaration of Paternity ***must*** accompany the VS 22 form.
- Mail the following items to our office using the address on the front of this pamphlet:
  - Completed VS 22.
  - $20 fee.
  - Photocopy of current birth certificate (if you have it).
  - Documents Supporting Parentage:
    Married/SRDP: Marriage certificate/SRDP Declaration ***and a notarized*** Sworn Statement.

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What do I submit to *add* the father/parent's name (when he/she was previously *not* listed)?

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- Mail the following items to our office using the address on the front of this pamphlet (continued):

  Not Married/SRDP: Copy of Declaration of Paternity signed by appropriate witness and/or notarized.

  - If any of the required items are not included, your request will be returned to you for correction.

  For possible future transactions with the Social Security Administration or the Department of Motor Vehicles, you should ***keep copies*** of all documents that you submit to our office. Once your child's new birth certificate is prepared, all supporting documents are sealed by our office and are not available to the public.

If Your Child Was Born *Before* January 1, 1995:

- VS 22.

- You ***must*** include a notarized Sworn Statement (see next section for more information).

- Although this item ***is not required***, it would help our staff if you could include a photocopy of the current birth certificate if you have it (this helps us identify the exact record to be amended).

- Mail the following items to our office using the address on the front of this pamphlet:

  - Completed VS 22.
  - $20 fee.
  - ***Notarized*** Sworn Statement.
  - Photocopy of current birth certificate (if you have it).

  - If any of the required items are not included, your request will be returned to you for correction.

  For possible future transactions with the Social Security Administration or the Department of Motor Vehicles, you should ***keep copies*** of all documents that you submit to our office. Once your child's new birth certificate is prepared, all supporting documents are sealed by our office and are not available to the public.

Why do I need a Sworn Statement?

Effective July 1, 2003, a new law changed the way we issue birth and death certificates. To help protect against identify theft, the law requires that only an ***authorized*** person (as defined by law) may receive a Certified Copy of a birth or death record. In order to receive the Certified Copy, you must sign (and notarize) the Sworn Statement declaring under penalty of perjury that you are authorized by law to receive the Certified Copy.

Only one notarized Sworn Statement is required for multiple paternity requests submitted at the same time. But the Sworn Statement must include the name of each child involved, and your relationship to each child.

You ***do not have to complete*** the attached Application for Certified Copy of Birth Record, but please read the first page for the definition of an "authorized" person before completing the Sworn Statement.

Where can I get the Declaration of Paternity (CS 909) form?

The Declaration of Paternity (CS 909) is only to be used by ***unmarried*** couples to establish the paternal relationship with the child.

You must use the official triplicate form (***photocopies are not acceptable***) that is available through local child support agencies. Or you can contact the Paternity Opportunity Program at the number below. The website below will provide you with a listing of local child support agencies in your county.

Once you complete the Declaration, it must be registered with the Department of Child Support Services. You will need to submit a photocopy of the Declaration to our office (with the VS 22 form) to add the father to your child's birth certificate.

For more information about establishing paternity, contact the California Department of Child Support Services, Paternity Opportunity Program (POP) at either (toll free) 866-249-0773 or (www.childsup.ca.gov).

What information can I change or add with a VS 22?

This form can be used to:

- Add the father/parent ***if he/she was not included on the original birth certificate***.
- Change the child's last name to that of the father/parent's last name.

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What information can I change or add with a VS 22?

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- Add the father/parent's last name to the last name already listed on the birth certificate**.** Example (father/parent's last name is "Harris"):

Action	First	Middle	Last
Child's Birth Name	John	Michael	Adams
Add Father/Parent's Last Name	John	Michael	Adams Harris

- ***Add*** the child's first or middle name ***when none previously exists***.

  This form ***will not allow*** us to ***change*** the child's first or middle names already listed on the birth certificate (this type of change requires a court order and is handled through the Court Order Name Change process).

- Make minor corrections (e.g., spelling of name, incorrect date of birth for parents, etc.).

Where can I get the VS 22?

The application must be an ***original*** form (our office uses a special bond paper). ***Photocopies are not acceptable.*** One application form is included if you receive this pamphlet by mail. If you need additional copies of the VS 22 form, or are accessing this pamphlet on our website:

- Order forms electronically at: https://apps.cdph.ca.gov/AutoForm2/default.aspx?af=1184. Because of the volume of phone calls we receive, the internet is usually a faster process for our customers than calling our Customer Service Unit.

- Call our Customer Service Unit at (916) 445-2684.

- You can also get the form from the County Recorder or County Health Department in any California county.

How do I complete the VS 22?

A sample of what a completed VS 22 should look like is attached.

PART I:

- **Items 1A-1C:** Complete the information ***exactly*** as it appears on your child's current birth certificate.

Note: If you need a copy of your child's current birth certificate to complete this section, you can get a copy by completing the Application for Certified Copy of Birth Certificate (attached) and submitting the application (and $20 fee) to our office.

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How do I complete the VS 22?

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PART II:

- Enter the information, ***as it should appear*** on the birth certificate.

PART III:

- The father/parent needs to complete items 15A-15F.
- The mother needs to complete items 16A-16F.

This form must be signed by both parents. If either parent refuses to sign the Acknowledgement of Paternity form, you will need to go to court, and the court will decide (adjudicate) the existence or nonexistence of the parent and child relationship. If you need to go to court, please request our pamphlet entitled "Adjudication of Facts of Parentage."

What makes a VS 22 form "acceptable?"

Important Information

Birth certificates are legal documents that must hold up in any court, unchallenged as to their accuracy and reliability. To help us prepare the new birth certificate accurately:

- Every item on the amendment must be completed.
- The amendment form must be an original, not a photocopy.
- We must be able to read the information on the form. It is extremely important that the form be legible. ***Using a typewriter to complete the form ensures that the information is interpreted clearly.***
- If you are not able to type the amendment, it is extremely important that you take the extra time to print ***very clearly and legibly***. Documents that are not legible will be returned to you to complete again.
- ***Only black ink is acceptable.***
- ***There cannot be any erasures, whiteout, or alterations.***

How will I know if my request has been accepted?

Once your request has been received and evaluated, we will send you either:

- A postcard letting you know your request has been accepted, and reminding you of our processing time.
- If your request is not accepted (e.g., due to insufficient fee, insufficient information, etc.), we will return your request to you with a letter explaining what needs to be corrected.

Please allow about 6 weeks to receive the acknowledgement postcard. Rejected requests can take up to 10 weeks to be returned.

How long will it take to get my child's new birth certificate?

The processing time for paternity/parentage documents can be located on our website at: http://www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/birthdeathmar/Pages/ProcessingTimes.aspx.

Once I file the amendment, what happens to my child's original birth certificate?

- When we receive the acceptable documents (and fee), we will seal your child's original birth certificate and replace the sealed record with a new birth certificate.
- Once the original birth certificate has been sealed, it is available only through a court order (per Health and Safety Code Section 102760).

  For possible future transactions with the Social Security Administration or the Department of Motor Vehicles, you should ***keep copies*** of all documents that you submit to our office. Once your child's new birth certificate is prepared, all supporting documents are sealed by our office and are not available to the public.

What if I still have questions?

If you have read this pamphlet thoroughly and still have questions that were not answered in this pamphlet, please call (916) 557-6075 and leave your name, telephone number, and question. One of our Amended Records staff will return your call within 48 hours.

If you have questions on the ***status*** of your request, please call our Customer Service Unit at (916) 445-2684 – ***but only after the processing time has passed***.

Note to Customer:

We ***cannot process your request*** unless you complete ***both sides*** of the enclosed amendment form. The information on both sides is important information for our records, and ***both sides must be completed in order to process your request***. Thank you.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PATERNITY/PARENTAGE

NO ERASURES, WHITEOUTS, PHOTOCOPIES,
OR ALTERATIONS

LEAVE BLANK
STATE FILE NUMBER

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY IN BLACK INK ONLY

SAMPLE

PART I INFORMATION TO LOCATE RECORD

INFORMATION AS IT APPEARS ON ORIGINAL RECORD

1A. NAME OF CHILD—FIRST	1B. MIDDLE	1C. LAST (BIRTH)
Toby	Shawn	Jones

2. SEX	3. DATE OF BIRTH—MM/DD/CCYY	4A. CITY OF OCCURRENCE	4B. COUNTY OF OCCURRENCE
Male	06/28/2001	Sacramento	Sacramento

5. PLACE OF BIRTH—NAME OF HOSPITAL OR FACILITY
Sacramento Maternity Hospital

6A. FULL NAME OF FATHER/PARENT—FIRST	6B. MIDDLE	6C. LAST (BIRTH)
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7A. FULL NAME OF MOTHER/PARENT—FIRST	7B. MIDDLE	7C. LAST (BIRTH)
Debbie	Frances	Smith

PART II INFORMATION AS IT IS TO APPEAR ON NEW RECORD

NEW NAME OF CHILD

8A. NAME OF CHILD—FIRST	8B. MIDDLE	8C. LAST (BIRTH)
Toby	Shawn	Jones

FATHER/PARENT

9A. FULL NAME OF FATHER/PARENT—FIRST	9B. MIDDLE	9C. LAST (BIRTH)
Fred	Edward	Jones

10. STATE/FOREIGN COUNTRY OF BIRTH	11. DATE OF BIRTH—MM/DD/CCYY
Hawaii	05/12/1977

BIRTH MOTHER

12A. FULL NAME OF BIRTH MOTHER—FIRST	12B. MIDDLE	12C. LAST (BIRTH)
Debbie	Frances	Smith

13. STATE/FOREIGN COUNTRY OF BIRTH	14. DATE OF BIRTH—MM/DD/CCYY
Sweden	08/03/1979

PART III AFFIDAVITS AND SIGNATURES

☐ WE CERTIFY THAT WE ARE UNMARRIED PARENTS AND HAVE ATTACHED A COPY OF THE PATERNITY OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM (POP) FORM.

☐ WE CERTIFY THAT WE ARE MARRIED PARENTS AND HAVE ATTACHED A COPY OF OUR MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE.

☐ WE CERTIFY THAT WE ARE IN A STATE REGISTERED DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP AND HAVE ATTACHED A COPY OF OUR DECLARATION.

USE BLACK INK ONLY

I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT I AM THE FATHER/PARENT OF THE CHILD IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

15A. SIGNATURE OF FATHER/PARENT	15B. DATE SIGNED
▶ Fred E. Jones	12/12/2007

15C. ADDRESS – STREET AND NUMBER	15D. CITY	15E. STATE	15F. ZIP CODE
1234 Broadway	Sacramento	CA	95820

I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT I AM THE BIRTH MOTHER OF THE CHILD IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

16A. SIGNATURE OF BIRTH MOTHER	16B. DATE SIGNED
▶ Debbie F. Smith	12/12/2007

16C. ADDRESS – STREET AND NUMBER	16D. CITY	16E. STATE	16F. ZIP CODE
1234 Broadway	Sacramento	CA	95820

STATE REGISTRAR USE ONLY

17. OFFICE OF VITAL RECORDS	18. DATE ACCEPTED FOR REGISTRATION

APPLICATION TO AMEND A BIRTH RECORD — ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PATERNITY/PARENTAGE

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY IN BLACK INK ONLY
NO ERASURES, WHITEOUTS, PHOTOCOPIES, OR ALTERATIONS

SAMPLE

When a birth record is amended due to an acknowledgement of paternity/parentage, the original record is sealed and a new birth record is prepared.

A fee is required for the preparation of an amended birth record. This fee includes one certified copy of the newly prepared birth record. There is a fee for each additional copy. Please contact your Local Registrar, County Recorder, or the State Registrar for the current fees, or visit our website at www.cdph.ca.gov.

Enclosed is the fee of $ 20.00 for preparation of the new birth record and one certified copy.

Enclosed is the fee of $ _____ for an additional certified copy(ies) of the newly prepared birth record.

Debbie F. Jones
Printed Name of Applicant

1234 Broadway
Mailing Address of Applicant

Telephone Number (444) 555-5555

Sacramento, CA 95820
City, State, ZIP Code

The "Birth" name required on Vital Records (see Items 1C, 6C, 7C, 8C, 9C, and 12C) is the name given at birth, or a name received through adoption, court-ordered name change, or naturalization. AKA's (Also Known As) and assumed names cannot be entered as the legal "Birth" name.

READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE FORM

1. **Type or print clearly in black ink only.**
2. No erasures, whiteouts, photocopies, or alterations are allowed.
3. Complete Part I, Items 1A – 7C, with the information as it appears on the original birth record.
4. Complete Part II, Items 8A – 14, with the information as it should appear on the new record.
4. Read the affidavit statement before signing Items 15A and 16A.
5. Do not complete Items 17 and 18. This space is reserved for State Registrar use only.
6. For possible future transactions with the Social Security Administration or the Department of Motor Vehicles, you should keep copies of all documents that you submit to our office. Once your child's new birth certificate is prepared, all supporting documents are sealed by our office and are not available to the public. A court order is required to unseal the record.
7. Make check or money order payable to the Office of Vital Records. Mail this form with the required fee(s) and supporting documentation (copy of POP Form, Marriage Certificate, or Declaration of State Registered Domestic Partnership) to:

California Department of Public Health
Office of Vital Records
MS 5103
P.O. Box 997410
Sacramento, CA 95899-7410

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF BIRTH RECORD

PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2 BEFORE COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION

As part of statewide efforts to prevent identity theft, California law (Health and Safety Code Section 103526) permits only authorized individuals as listed on the application to receive certified copies of birth records. All others will be issued **Certified Informational Copies** marked with the legend, **"Informational, Not A Valid Document to Establish Identity."**

Please indicate the type of certified copy you are requesting:

☐ I would like a **Certified Copy.** This copy will establish the identity of the registrant. (To receive a Certified Copy you **MUST INDICATE YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO THE REGISTRANT** by selecting from the list below **AND COMPLETE THE ATTACHED SWORN STATEMENT** declaring that you are eligible to receive the Certified Copy. The Sworn Statement **MUST BE NOTARIZED** if the application is submitted by mail **unless you are a law enforcement or local or state governmental agency**.)

☐ I would like a **Certified Informational Copy.** This document will be printed with a legend on the face of the document that states, "**INFORMATIONAL, NOT A VALID DOCUMENT TO ESTABLISH IDENTITY**."

(A Sworn Statement does not need to be provided.)

NOTE: Both documents are certified copies of the original document on file with our office. With the exception of the legend and redaction of signatures and Social Security Number, the documents contain the same information.

Fee: **$20 per copy** (payable to CDPH Vital Records). **PLEASE SUBMIT CHECK OR MONEY ORDER – DO NOT SEND CASH** (CDPH cannot be held responsible for fees paid in cash that are lost, misdirected, or undelivered).

PLEASE ATTACH CHECK HERE

To receive a **Certified Copy** I am:

☐ The registrant (person listed on the certificate) or a parent or legal guardian of the registrant. **(Legal guardian must provide documentation.)**

☐ A party entitled to receive the record as a result of a court order or an attorney or a licensed adoption agency seeking the birth record in order to comply with the requirements of Section 3140 or 7603 of the Family Code. **(Please include a copy of the court order.)**

☐ A member of a law enforcement agency or a representative of another governmental agency, as provided by law, who is conducting official business. **(Companies representing a government agency must provide authorization from the government agency.)**

☐ A child, grandparent, grandchild, brother or sister, spouse, or domestic partner of the registrant.

☐ An attorney representing the registrant or the registrant's estate, or any person or agency empowered by statute or appointed by a court to act on behalf of the registrant or the registrant's estate.

☐ Appointed rights in a power of attorney, or an executor of the registrant's estate. **(Please include a copy of the power of attorney, or supporting documentation identifying you as executor.)**

APPLICANT INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE) Today's Date:

Agency Name (if applicable)	Agency Case Number	Inmate ID Number
Print Name of Applicant	Signature of Applicant	Purpose of Request
Mailing Address – Number, Street	Amount Enclosed – **DO NOT SEND CASH** $ _____ Check $ _____ Money Order	Number of Copies

City		Name of Person Receiving Copies, if Different from Applicant		
State/Province	ZIP Code	Mailing Address for Copies, if Different from Applicant		
Daytime Telephone (include area code) ( )	Country	City	State	ZIP Code

BIRTH RECORD INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE) Adopted: ☐ No ☐ Yes (If Yes, see #4 on Page 2)

Complete the information below as shown on the birth record, to the best of your knowledge.

FIRST Name	**MIDDLE** Name	**LAST** Name
City of Birth (must be in California)		County of Birth
Date of Birth – MM/DD/CCYY (If unknown, enter approximate date of birth)		Sex ___Female ___Male
Father/Parent FIRST Name	**MIDDLE** Name	**LAST** Name (Before Marriage/Domestic Partnership)
Mother/Parent FIRST Name	**MIDDLE** Name	**LAST** Name (Before Marriage/Domestic Partnership)

INFORMATION:

Birth records have been maintained in the California Department of Public Health Vital Records since July 1, 1905.
The name required on Vital Records (see Items 1C, 6C, 7C, 9C, and 12C) is the name given at birth, or a name received through adoption, court-ordered name change, or naturalization. AKAs (Also Known As) and assumed names cannot be entered as the legal name on the birth record.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. **ONLY** individuals who are authorized by Health and Safety Code Section 103526 can obtain a Certified Copy of a birth record to establish identity of the registrant (person listed on the certificate). (Page 1 identifies the individuals who are authorized to make the request.) All others may receive a Certified Informational Copy which will be marked, "Informational, Not a Valid Document to Establish Identity."

   Confidential Information on Birth Record: some individuals have special needs for a birth certificate that contains the confidential information provided at the time the birth record was prepared. This confidential information may be used to establish ethnicity, to provide health background, or for other personal reasons. For information on how to obtain a birth certificate containing the confidential information, please refer to the **Birth Record** section of our website at: www.cdph.ca.gov. Only specific individuals may obtain confidential copies.

2. Complete a separate application for each birth record requested.

3. Complete the **Applicant Information** section on Page 1 and provide your signature where indicated. In the **Birth Record Information** section, provide all the information you have available to identify the birth record. If the information you furnish is incomplete or inaccurate, we may not be able to locate the record.

4. **If the registrant has been adopted**, make the request in the **adopted** name. If the registrant was born outside the United States and re-adopted in California, mark the "Yes" box and complete the application with the adopted information. (If you are requesting a copy of the **original** birth certificate, you **must** provide a court order releasing the original sealed record.)

5. **SWORN STATEMENT:**

   - The authorized individual requesting the certified copy must sign the attached Sworn Statement, declaring under penalty of perjury that they are eligible to receive the certified copy of the birth record and identify their relationship to the registrant – the relationship must be one of those identified on Page 1.
   - If the application is being submitted by mail, the Sworn Statement **must be** notarized by a Notary Public. (To find a Notary Public, see your local yellow pages or call your banking institution.) **Law enforcement and local and state governmental agencies are exempt from the notary requirement**.
   - You do not have to provide a Sworn Statement if you are requesting a Certified Informational Copy of the birth record.

6. Submit $20 for **each** copy requested. If no birth record is found, the $20 fee will be retained for searching for the record (as required by law) and a "Certificate of No Public Record" will be issued to the applicant. Indicate the number of copies you want and include the correct fee(s) in the form of a personal check or postal or bank money order (International Money Order for out-of-country requests) made payable to **CDPH Vital Records**. **PLEASE SUBMIT CHECK OR MONEY ORDER – DO NOT SEND CASH** (CDPH cannot be held responsible for fees paid in cash that are lost, misdirected, or undelivered).

7. Mail completed applications with the fee(s) to:

California Department of Public Health
Vital Records – MS 5103
P.O. Box 997410
Sacramento, CA 95899-7410
(916) 445-2684

SWORN STATEMENT

I, _____, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California,
(**Applicant's** Printed Name)

that I am an authorized person, as defined in California Health and Safety Code Section 103526 (c), and am eligible to receive a certified copy of the birth, death, or marriage certificate of the following individual(s):

Name of Person Listed on Certificate	**Applicant's Relationship to Person Listed on Certificate (Must Be a Relationship Listed on Page 1 of Application)**

(The remaining information must be completed in the presence of a Notary Public or CDPH Vital Records staff.)

Subscribed to this _____ day of _____, 20___, at _____, _____.
(Day) (Month) (City) (State)

_____
(**Applicant's** Signature)

Note: If submitting your order by mail, you must have your Sworn Statement notarized using the Certificate of Acknowledgment below. The Certificate of Acknowledgment must be completed by a Notary Public. (Law enforcement and local and state governmental agencies are exempt from the notary requirement.)

CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of _____)

County of _____)

On _____ before me, _____, personally appeared _____,
(insert name and title of the officer)

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument. I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.
(SEAL)

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SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC

CALIFORNIA COUNTY RECORDERS

Alameda……	1108 Madison Street, 1st Floor, Oakland, C 94607, (510) 272-6362
Alpine……...	P.O. Box 155, Markleeville, CA 96120-0217, (530) 694-2283
Amador…….	810 Court Street, Jackson, CA 95642, (209) 223-6468
Butte…….	25 County Center Drive, Suite 105, Administration Building, Oroville, CA 95965, (530) 538-7690 or 7691
Calaveras……..	Government Center, 891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas, CA 95249, (209) 754-6371
Colusa……...	546 Jay Street, Suite 200, Colusa, CA 95932, (530) 458-0500
Contra Costa…….	555 Escobar Street, Martinez, CA 94553, (925) 335-7900
Del Norte……..	981 H Street, Suite 160, Crescent City, CA 95531, (707) 464-7216
El Dorado…….	360 Fair Lane, Placerville, CA 95667, (530) 621-5490
Fresno……...	2281 Tulare Street, Room 303, Fresno, CA 93712, (559) 600-3476
Glenn……	526 West Sycamore Street, Courthouse, Willows, CA 95988, (530) 934-6412
Humboldt…….	825 5th Street, Fifth Floor, Eureka, CA 95501, (707) 445-7382
Imperial……	940 West Main Street, Room 206, El Centro, CA 92243, (760) 482-4272
Inyo……..	Courthouse, 168 N. Edwards Street, Independence, CA 93526, (760) 878-0222
Kern…….	1655 Chester Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301, (661) 868-6449
Kings……	Government Center, 1400 W. Lacey Blvd., Hanford, CA 93230, (559) 582-3211, X 2470
Lake…….	Courthouse, 255 North Forbes Street, Lakeport, CA 95453, (707) 263-2293
Lassen……..	220 S. Lassen Street, Suite 5, Susanville, CA 96130, (530) 251-8234
Los Angeles…….	12400 Imperial Highway, Room 1002, Norwalk, CA 90650, (562) 462-2137 or 2101 or 2102
Madera…….	200 West 4th Street, Madera, CA 93637, (559) 675-7724
Marin……	3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 232, San Rafael, CA 94903, (415) 499-6092
Mariposa……..	4982 10th Street, P.O. Box 35, Mariposa, CA 95338-0035, (209) 966-5719
Mendocino……...	501 Low Gap Road, #1020, Ukiah, CA 95482, (707) 463-4376
Merced…….	2222 M Street, Merced, CA 95340, (209) 385-7627
Modoc……..	204 S. Court Street, Room 107, Alturas, CA 96101-4020, (530) 233-6205
Mono……	74 North School Street, Annex 1, P.O. Box 237, Bridgeport, CA 93517-0237, (760) 932-5535
Monterey……..	168 West Alisal Street, First Floor, P.O. Box 29, Salinas, CA 93902-0029, (831) 755-5041
Napa…….	900 Coombs Street, Room 116, P.O. Box 298, Napa, CA 94559-0298, (707) 253-4246
Nevada…….	950 Maidu Avenue, Nevada City, CA 95959-6100, (530) 265-1221
Orange…….	12 Civic Center Plaza, Room 101 or P.O. Box 238, Santa Ana, CA 92702-0238, (714) 834-2500
Placer……...	2954 Richardson Drive, Auburn, CA 95603, (530) 886-5600
Plumas…….	520 Main Street, Room 102, Quincy, CA 95971, (530) 283-6218
Riverside…….	2724 Gateway Drive, or P.O. Box 751, Riverside, CA 92502-0751, (951) 486-7000
Sacramento……..	600 8th Street, or P.O. Box 839, Sacramento, CA 95812-0839, (916) 874-6334
San Benito……	County Courthouse, 440 5th Street, Room 206, Hollister, CA 95023-3896, (831) 636-4029
San Bernardino……	222 W. Hospitality Lane, First Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0022, (855) 732-2575
San Diego……	1600 Pacific Highway, Room 260, or P.O. Box 12150, San Diego, CA 92112-4750, (619) 237-0502
San Francisco……..	One Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, City Hall Room 190, San Francisco, CA 94102, (415) 554-2700**
San Francisco Health Dept.	101 Grove Street, Room 105, San Francisco, CA 94102, (415) 554-5596*, (415) 554-2700**
San Joaquin…….	44 N. San Joaquin St., Ste 260, or P.O. Box 1968, Stockton, CA 95201-1968, (209) 468-8075
San Luis Obispo……..	1055 Monterey Street, D120, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408, (805) 781-5080
San Mateo……	555 County Center, 1st Floor, Redwood City, CA 94063-1665, (650) 363-4500
Santa Barbara……..	1100 Anacapa Street, P.O. Box 159, Santa Barbara, CA 93102-0159, (805) 568-2250
Santa Clara……..	County Government Center, East Wing, 1st Flr, 70 W. Hedding St., San Jose, CA 95110, (408) 299-5669
Santa Cruz……...	701 Ocean Street, Room 230, Santa Cruz, CA 95060, (831) 454-3222
Shasta……...	1450 Court Street, Suite 208, Redding, CA 96001-1679, (530) 225-5678
Sierra……	P.O. Drawer D., Downieville, CA 95936, (530) 289-3295
Siskiyou ……..	311 4th Street, Room 108, Yreka, CA 96098, (530) 842-8065 or 8066
Solano…….	675 Texas Street, Suite 2700, Fairfield, CA 94533, (707) 784-6294
Sonoma……	2300 County Center Drive, Suite B-177, or P.O. Box 1709, Santa Rosa, CA 95402, (707) 565-2645
Stanislaus……	1021 I Street, Suite 101, or P.O. Box 1670, Modesto, CA 95353, (209) 525-5251
Sutter……..	433 Second Street, Yuba City, 95991, (530) 822-7134
Tehama……	633 Washington Street, Room 11 or P.O. Box 250, Red Bluff, CA 96080, (530) 527-3350
Trinity…….	11 Court Street, P.O. Box 1215, Weaverville, CA 96093, (530) 623-1215
Tulare……..	County Civic Center, 221 S. Mooney Blvd., Room 103, Visalia, CA 93291-4593, (559) 636-5050
Tuolumne……	2 South Green Street, Sonora, CA 95370, (209) 533-5531
Ventura……	800 South Victoria Avenue, LN 1260, Ventura, CA 93009, (805) 654-3666
Yolo……	625 Court Street, Room B01, or P.O. Box 1130, Woodland, CA 95776-1130, (530) 666-8130
Yuba……	915 8th Street, Suite 107, Marysville, CA 95901, (530) 749-7851

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