

State of Minnesota

District Court

County

Judicial District:	_____
Court File Number:	_____
Case Type:	Adoption

In Re the Petition of:

_____, Petitioner
 and
 _____, Petitioner

**Notice to Registered Putative
Father and Notice of Jurisdiction**

To Adopt:

(child's current name)

You, _____, *(man's name)* have registered with the Minnesota Fathers' Adoption Registry indicating that you are the father of a child born or expected to be born on _____, 20____. The mother of the child is named _____.

The mother intends to place the child for adoption. As the putative father of the child, you have certain legal rights, including the right to receive notice of any adoption proceedings.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an adoption petition regarding the child has been or will be filed in _____ County, Minnesota. **You must respond to this notice by doing one of the following three options:**

Option 1: If you claim to be the father of the child and if you wish to retain your parental rights to the child, within 30 days of the date you received this Notice, or if the child is not yet born then within 30 days after the birth of the child, you must:

1. start a paternity action; and
2. complete the enclosed "Admission of Paternity and Intent to Claim Parental Rights" form and file it with the court administrator whose address is:

(courthouse name)

(Street Address)

(City) (State) (Zip)

If you do not file a completed "Admission of Paternity and Intent to Claim Parental Rights" form, you will not receive notice of any adoption proceedings regarding the child and whatever legal rights you have with respect to the child may be terminated.

Option 2: If you are not the father of the child, you should complete the enclosed “Denial of Paternity” form and file it with the court administrator whose address is listed above.

Option 3: If you are the father of the child but you consent to adoption of the child, you should complete the enclosed “Consent to Adoption” form and file it with the court administrator whose address is listed above and you will receive no further notice of any adoption proceedings regarding the child. Upon request, the court administrator can confirm whether your child was or was not adopted.

Date this Notice to Registered Putative Father was mailed to father: _____

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____