ADOPT-215 Adoption Order

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

Case Number:

1 Your name *(adopting parent(s)):*

a. _____

b. _____

Relationship to child: _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime telephone number: _____

Lawyer *(if any): (Name, address, telephone number, and State Bar number):* _____

_____

_____

2 Child's name after adoption: _____

First Name: _____

Middle Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Date of birth: _____ Age: _____

Place of birth *(if known):* _____

City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____

3 Name of adoption agency *(if any):* _____

4 Hearing date: _____

Dept.: _____ Div.: _____ Rm.: _____ Judicial Officer: _____

Clerk's office telephone number: _____

5 People present at the hearing:

- ☐ Adopting parent(s)
- ☐ Lawyer for adopting parent(s)
- ☐ Child
- ☐ Child's lawyer
- ☐ Parent keeping parental rights: _____
- ☐ Other people present *(list each name and relationship to child):*

a. _____

b. _____

If there are more names, attach a sheet of paper, write "ADOPT-215, Item 5" at the top, and list the additional names and each person's relationship to child.

Judge will fill out section below.

6 The judge finds that the child *(check all that apply):*

a. ☐ Is 12 or older and agrees to the adoption

b. ☐ Is under 12

c. ☐ This is a tribal customary adoption and the child's consent is not required.

7 The judge has reviewed the report and other documents and evidence and finds that each adopting parent:

a. Is at least 10 years older than the child or meets the criteria in Fam. Code, § 8601(b)

b. Will treat the child as his or her own

c. Will support and care for the child

d. Has a suitable home for the child *and*

c. Agrees to adopt the child

Your name: _____

Case Number:

8 ☐ This case is an adoption by a relative petitioned under Family Code section 8714.5.
☐ The adopting relative ☐ The child, who is 12 or older, has requested that the child's name before adoption be listed on this order. (Fam. Code, § 8714.5(g).)
The child's name before adoption was:
First Name:_____ Middle Name:_____ Last Name:_____

9 ☐ The child is an Indian child. The judge finds that this adoption meets the placement requirements of the Indian Child Welfare Act or that there is good cause to give preference to these adopting parents. The clerk will fill out 14 below.

10 ☐ The judge approves the *Contact After Adoption Agreement* (ADOPT-310)
☐ As submitted ☐ As amended on ADOPT-310

11 This is a tribal customary adoption, The tribal customary adoption order of the _____ tribe dated _____ containing _____ pages and attached hereto is fully incorporated into this order of adoption.

12 ☐ This is an adoption under the Hague Adoption Convention. *Verification of Compliance with Hague Adoption Convention Attachment* (form ADOPT-216) is attached and fully incorporated into this order.

13 The judge believes the adoption is in the child's best interest and orders this adoption.
The child's name after adoption will be:
First Name:_____ Middle Name:_____ Last Name:_____

The adopting parent or parents and the child are now parent and child under the law, with all the rights and duties of the parent-child relationship or, in the case of a tribal customary adoption, all the rights and duties set out in the tribal customary adoption order and Welfare and Institutions Code section 366.24.

☐ The judge believes it will serve public policy and the best interest of the child to grant the request of the adopting parent or parents for the court to make this order effective as of *(date):* _____ .

Date: _____
(Date of Signature)

_____
Judge (or Judicial Officer)

Clerk will fill out section below.

14 Clerk's Certificate of Mailing

For the adoption of an Indian child, the Clerk certifies:
I am not a party to this adoption. I placed a filed copy of:

☐ *Adoption Request* (ADOPT-200) ☐ *Adoption of Indian Child* (ADOPT-220)
☐ *Adoption Order* (ADOPT-215) ☐ *Contact After Adoption Agreement* (ADOPT-310)

in a sealed envelope, marked "Confidential" and addressed to:

Chief, Division of Social Services
Bureau of Indian Affairs
1849 C Street, NW
Mail Stop 310-SIB
Washington, DC 20240

The envelope was mailed by U.S. mail, with full postage, from:
Place: _____ on *(date):* _____
Date: _____ Clerk, by: _____, Deputy

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