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5 [attorney](#) or an [adoption attorney](#) to consider all of your options.

6 Attorneys for Petitioner

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8 **SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**
9 **COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**

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11 In the Matter of the Petition of
12 [Stepparent]

**CONSENT OF BIOLOGICAL PARENT,
[BIOLOGICAL PARENT], TO THE
ADOPTION OF [MINOR CHILD] BY
PETITIONER**

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18 1. I, [Biological Parent], am the natural and biological parent of the minor child, [Minor
19 Child], [Date of Birth], pursuant to the [Judgment of Paternity, Birth Certificate, or Other
20 Document Establishing Parentage].

21 2. I understand that the Petitioner in this instant matter, [Stepparent], is the spouse of the
22 minor child's other parent, [Custodial Parent], and stepparent of the minor child.

23 3. I further understand that Petitioner, [Stepparent], seeks to adopt the minor child, [Minor
24 Child], [Date of Birth].

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1 4. I hereby acknowledge and declare that I have not communicated with, seen, or visited
2 the minor child, [Minor Child], for a period exceeding one (1) year, pursuant to Family Code §
3 7822 (a)(3) and § 8604 (b), (c).

4 5. I hereby further acknowledge and declare that I have not paid for the care, support, or
5 education of the minor child, [Minor Child], for a period exceeding one (1) year, pursuant to
6 Family Code § 7822 (a)(3) and § 8604 (b), (c).

7 6. Based on the above, I hereby give my full and free consent to the adoption of [Minor
8 Child] by Petitioner, [Stepparent].

9 7. Based on my full and free consent to the adoption, I understand and agree that this
10 document shall be filed simultaneously with the adoption request, pursuant to Family Code § 9003
11 (a).

12 8. I understand that with the signing of the order of adoption by the court, I shall be
13 forever relieved from all rights to custody, services, and earnings of the minor child and I may not
14 reclaim said child, pursuant to Family Code § 8617 (a).

15 9. I also understand that I am voluntarily severing the legal relationship of parent and child
16 along with all the rights and parental duties towards, and all responsibility for, the minor child, and
17 have no right over the minor child, pursuant to Family Code § 8617 (a).

18 10. I further acknowledge and understand the provision of Family Code § 9004, reading as
19 follows: “Notice to the parent who gives the child for adoption: If you and your child lived
20 together at any time as parent and child, the adoption of your child through a stepparent adoption
21 does not affect the child's right to inherit your property or the property of other blood relatives.”

22 11. I understand that my consent to the adoption of the minor child, [Minor Child], by
23 Petitioner, [Stepparent], may not be withdrawn except with court approval, pursuant to Family
24 Code § 9005 (a).

25 12. I acknowledge and agree that this document was prepared by the attorney for Petitioner,
26 [Stepparent]. I am not represented by legal counsel at the time of execution of this document. I
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1 acknowledge that I have been advised to obtain independent legal counsel, that I have voluntarily
2 chosen not to consult with any attorney, that I have read and understand the contents and legal
3 effect of this consent to adoption, and I have signed it freely and voluntarily.

4 13. I hereby acknowledge and declare that I am fully and completely informed as to the
5 facts relating to the subject matter of this consent to adoption, and as to my rights and liabilities. I
6 hereby execute this consent to adoption voluntarily, free from fraud, undue influence, coercion or
7 duress of any kind; have given careful and mature thought to the execution of this consent to
8 adoption; and understand each provision of this document.

9 14. I have not made, nor have I relied upon, any promises or agreements as inducement to
10 execute this consent to adoption. I have read this consent to adoption and I am fully aware of its
11 content and its legal effect.

12 15. This consent to adoption is executed in the State of California and shall be subject to
13 and interpreted under the laws of the State of California.

14 **Based on the foregoing, and under the laws of the State of California, with the signing of this**
15 **document my consent may not be withdrawn except with court approval and that with the**
16 **signing of the order of adoption by the court, I shall give up all my rights of custody; services,**
17 **and earning of said child, and that said child cannot be reclaimed by me.**

18 Executed on _____, 2020, by _____
19 [Biological Parent]

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