

*thereunder by the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene to protect the integrity and accuracy of vital records.*

*(2) In the event of an alteration of any certificate of birth or death the facts shall be properly certified to the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene and entered in red ink with the date of the amendment and over the signature or initials of an authorized representative of the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene.*

*(3) Upon receipt of a court order or a certified copy thereof changing the name of a person born in this State and upon request of such person or his parent, guardian, or legal representative, the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene or its authorized agent shall amend the certificate of birth to reflect the new name.*

*(b) New Certificates of Birth Following Adoption, Legitimation and Paternity Determination.*

*(1) A new certificate of birth shall be made for a person whenever the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene receives proof satisfactory to it:*

*(i) That the previously unwed parents of the person have intermarried subsequent to the birth of such person; or that a court of competent jurisdiction has entered a judgment order or decree relating to the parentage or adoption of the person.*

*(ii) That the person was born in Maryland and the legitimation, adoption or other court action specified in paragraph (i) above took place in Maryland or outside of Maryland. In its discretion the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene may also issue new certificates of birth for persons born outside of the United States if the legitimation, adoption or other court action specified in paragraph (i) above took place in Maryland.*

*(2) No new certificate of birth shall be established, if so requested by the court decreeing the adoption, or the adoptive parents, or by the adopted person, if of legal age.*

*(3) The new certificate shall be in the form prescribed by the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene, and shall be prepared on the following basis: Such person shall be treated as having had at birth THE status subsequently acquired or established and of which proof is submitted; where such person is illegitimate and paternity has been established by legal proceedings the name of such father shall be inserted; where such person has been adopted the name of such child shall be that fixed by the decree of adoption and the foster parents shall be recorded as the parents of such child.*

*(4) When a new certificate of birth is made, the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene shall substitute such new certificate of birth for the certificate then on file, if any. The State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene shall place the original certificate of birth and all papers pertaining to the new certificate of birth under seal. Such seal shall not be broken except by order of a court of competent jurisdiction or on written order of the authorized agent of the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene. Thereafter, when a certified copy of the certificate of birth of such a person is issued, it shall be a copy of the new certificate of birth, except when an order of a court of competent jurisdiction shall require the issuance of a copy of the original certificate of birth.*