

5. INCLUDES NO IDENTIFYING INFORMATION THAT WOULD BE IN VIOLATION OF AN AGREEMENT OR CONSENT.

(2) IN ADDITION TO A COPY OF AN AGREEMENT FOR POSTADOPTION CONTACT, A PETITIONER SHALL FILE THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT UNDER SEAL.

(D) AMENDED PETITION.

IF THE MARITAL STATUS OF A PETITIONER CHANGES BEFORE ENTRY OF AN ORDER, THE PETITIONER SHALL AMEND THE PETITION ACCORDINGLY.

(E) ASSISTANCE FROM LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT WITH CUSTODY OF THE CHILD SHALL ASSIST A PETITIONER IN COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

COMMITTEE NOTE: Subsection (a) of this section is derived from FL § 5-317(a) and revised to reflect the new mandate for a prior guardianship petition absent special circumstances.

Subsection (b)(1) of this section is derived from former FL § 5-309(a).

Subsections (b)(2) and (d) of this section are derived from former FL § 5-315(a)(2) and (3) and (b).

Subsection (c) of this section is new and added to specify minimum requirements for a petition under this section.

Subsection (e) of this section is new and added to ensure that a petition meets the requirement of this section.

In subsection (b) of this section, the former word "decree" is omitted. Similarly, in subsection (d) of this section, the reference to an "order" is substituted for the former word "decree".

Former FL § 5-315(a)(1), which provided an exception for the petitioner whose spouse is a parent, is omitted from this Part III.

As to "adult", see Art. 1, § 24 of the Code.

Defined terms: "Child" § 5-301

"Guardianship" § 5-301

"Identifying information" § 5-301

"Includes" § 1-101

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"Juvenile court" § 1-101

"Local department" § 1-101

"Parent" § 5-301