

been awarded guardianship”, for brevity and consistency with new § 5-328(a).

Subsection (b) of this section is derived from former FL § 5-311(b)(2) and revised to include “color” and “national origin” but omit “where to do so would be contrary to the best interests of the child”, to conform to the federal law.

Defined terms: “Adoptive parent” § 5-101

“Child” § 5-301

“Juvenile court” § 1-101

“Parent” § 5-301

5-351. CONSENT.

(A) CONTENTS AND ATTACHMENTS.

CONSENT OF A PARTY TO AN ADOPTION UNDER THIS PART IV OF THIS SUBTITLE IS NOT VALID UNLESS:

(1) THE CONSENT IS GIVEN IN A LANGUAGE THAT THE PARTY UNDERSTANDS;

(2) IF GIVEN IN A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH, THE CONSENT:

(I) IS GIVEN BEFORE A JUDGE ON THE RECORD; OR

(II) IS ACCOMPANIED BY THE AFFIDAVIT OF A TRANSLATOR STATING THAT THE TRANSLATION OF THE DOCUMENT OF CONSENT IS ACCURATE;

(3) THE CONSENT NAMES THE CHILD;

(4) THE CONSENT CONTAINS ENOUGH INFORMATION TO IDENTIFY THE PROSPECTIVE ADOPTIVE PARENT; AND

(5) THE PARTY HAS RECEIVED WRITTEN NOTICE OR ON-THE-RECORD NOTICE OF:

(I) THE REVOCATION PROVISIONS IN THIS SECTION;

(II) THE SEARCH RIGHTS OF ADOPTEES AND PARENTS UNDER § 5-359 OF THIS SUBTITLE AND THE SEARCH RIGHTS OF ADOPTEES, PARENTS, AND SIBLINGS UNDER SUBTITLE 4B OF THIS TITLE; AND

(III) THE RIGHT TO FILE A DISCLOSURE VETO UNDER § 5-359 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) REVOCATION BY GUARDIAN.

A GUARDIAN MAY REVOKE CONSENT TO AN ADOPTION UNDER THIS PART IV OF THIS SUBTITLE AT ANY TIME BEFORE A JUVENILE COURT ENTERS AN ORDER OF ADOPTION UNDER THIS PART IV OF THIS SUBTITLE.