

(2) The complaint may be filed without the oath if the mother or pregnant woman:

- (i) is dead;
- (ii) refuses to file a complaint;
- (iii) refuses to disclose the identity of the father of the child;
- (iv) is mentally or physically incapable of making an oath; or
- (v) refuses to make the oath.

(3) If the complaint is filed without an oath under paragraph (2) of this subsection:

- (i) the complainant shall verify the fact of the pregnancy or birth; and
- (ii) if the mother or pregnant woman is living, she shall be made a defendant.

[(g)](E) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the clerk of court may not receive a complaint starting paternity proceedings unless the consent of the State's Attorney is attached to the complaint.

(2) The consent of the State's Attorney is not required if:

- (i) the complaint is filed on behalf of the Administration; or
- (ii) after considering testimony or information given by affidavit, or both, the court:
 1. finds that the complaint is meritorious; and
 2. rules that the consent is not required.

(3) Except by an order of court for good cause shown, a proceeding under this subtitle may not be dismissed voluntarily without the consent of the State's Attorney.
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(a) If the complainant is the Administration, or a person approved for child support services by the Administration, the complainant shall be represented by:

- (1) the Attorney General;
- (2) the State's Attorney, if the State's Attorney has assumed the responsibility for representation under Title 10, Subtitle 1 of this article; or
- (3) a qualified lawyer representing the Administration who is appointed by and subject to supervision and removal by the Attorney General.

(b) For purposes of providing legal representation in a paternity proceeding under this section, the Administration may approve child support services for a person who resides out-of-state.