

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
DEKALB COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

IN THE MATTER OF: _____)
) **Case No.:** _____
)
_____,)

NOTICE TO PUTATIVE FATHER

NOTICE TO: _____ Putative Father

You have been identified as the father of a child (born on the _____ day of _____, 19____,) or (expected to be born on or about the _____ day of _____, 19____.)

The mother of said child is _____.

The mother has indicated that she intends to place the child for adoption.

As the alleged father of said child, you have certain legal rights with respect to said child, including the right to notice of the filing of proceedings instituted for the adoption of said child. If you wish to retain your rights with respect to said child, you must file with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of DeKalb County, whose address is 133 West State Street, Sycamore, Illinois, 60178 within thirty (30) days after the date of receipt of this notice, a Declaration of Paternity or Disclaimer Thereof (See back of form) stating that you are, in fact, the father of said child and that you intend to retain your legal rights with respect to said child, or request to be notified of any further proceedings with respect to custody or adoption of the child.

If you do not file such a declaration of paternity or a request for notice then whatever legal rights you have with respect to said child, including the right to notice of any future proceedings for the adoption of said child, may be terminated without any further notice to you. When your legal rights with respect to said child are so terminated, you will not be entitled to notice of any proceeding instituted for the adoption of said child.

If you are not the father of said child, you may file with the Clerk of this Court, a disclaimer of paternity which will be noted in the Clerk's file and you will receive no further notice with respect to said child.

DATED: _____

Clerk of the Circuit Court

DECLARATION OF PATERNITY OR DISCLAIMER THEREOF

(Please check and initial one of the following; sign and return this form to Clerk of the Circuit Court of DeKalb County, 133 West State Street, Sycamore, Illinois, 60178 within thirty (30) days of the date of this notice.)

- [] _____ (1) I hereby declare that I am, in fact, the father of said child and wish to retain my parental rights. I request notice in the event of a hearing brought to terminate any rights I may have in regard to said child.
- [] _____ (2) I request notice in the event of a hearing brought to terminate any rights I may have in regard to said child.
- [] _____ (3) I deny and disclaim that I am the father of said child and waive any rights I may have to said child.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Type or Print Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Signed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 19____.

Office Authorized to Administer Oath

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