

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
COUNTY DEPARTMENT, COUNTY DIVISION

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER: 2007-03

**SUBJECT: PETITIONS FOR ADJUDICATION OF DEPENDENCY OF MINOR WITH  
APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT OR  
PLACE CHILD FOR ADOPTION. (705 ILCS 405/2-4 & 2-29)**

In cases where a party is seeking the appointment of a Guardian for a minor who was born in or resides in Illinois, and has been placed by one or both of the child's biological parents with one or more persons who are residents of another State in contemplation that the child will be adopted in their home State by the person or persons with whom the child has been placed the following procedure must be followed:

A person must file a Petition pursuant to 705 ILCS 405/2-4 alleging that the child is dependent because at least one of its biological or legal parent(s) have or will consent to the adoption of the child. In those cases where one of the biological or legal parents has not, for any reason consented to the adoption of the child, the Petition must also contain sufficient allegations to support termination of the parental rights of the non-consenting parents.

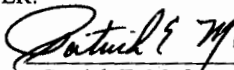
In such cases, a consent to the adoption by the biological mother will not be acknowledged unless it is accompanied by an Affidavit of Identification in conformity with 750 ILCS 50/11.1. The Petition must also allege the facts surrounding the placement of the child, i.e. how the biological parent(s) and adoptive parent(s) were placed in contact with each other. This Petition must show that all such actions were in strict compliance with the Child Welfare Act of 1969 as amended (225 ILCS10/1 et seq.).

In those cases where the rights of the biological or legal parent are terminated as a result of their consent, this court will consider appointing the Guardian designated by the Petitioner with authority to place and or consent to the adoption of the child in accordance with 750 ILCS 405/2-29.

In cases where the biological rights of one of the parents cannot be terminated upon filing of the Petition, the Court, upon proper showing, will consider appointing the designated individual guardian of the minor child within accordance with 705 ILCS 405/2-27 (1). The matter shall then be continued to give the Petitioner reasonable time to terminate the parental rights of any other biological or legal parent whose consent has not been obtained.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 2007 and spread upon the records of this Court

ENTER:



Patrick E. McGann  
Presiding Judge, County Division

