

REQUIRED ITEMS FOR PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF ADULT BY STEPPARENT

NOTE: Unless otherwise noted, all forms listed below can be found at www.flcourts.org under Self Help - Family Law Forms – Please pay close attention to which forms must be signed and notarized.

___ **Petition** *Form 12.981 (c)(1)* Please read all directions and complete the petition *entirely*.
Please pay particular attention to the following:

- Petitioner MUST be a resident of Marion County
- Petition must be signed and notarized by petitioner(s)
- Notice must be sent to Adult Adoptee’s Biological Parents

___ **Coversheet for family court cases** *Form 12.928*

___ **Consent of Adoptee** *Form 12.981 (a) (2)*

___ **Consent of Adult Adoptee’s Spouse (if married)** *Form 12.981 (c)(2)*

___ **Notice of Related Cases** *Form 12.900 (h)*

___ **Service of Process** on BOTH Biological Parents*

- The biological parents must either receive written Notice of the Final Hearing on Adoption or Proof of Service of Process showing Notice has been served [See Florida Statute 63.062 (8) (b)]

___ **Motion to Set Final Hearing** Form available at www.circuit5.org **PLEASE DO NOT FILE THIS MOTION UNTIL ALL THE ABOVE ITEMS HAVE BEEN FILED**