

## PART II

Part II of this confidential report was prepared by: *(Name of the agency and social worker)* after the adoptive placement of: *(Name of the child(ren))* on *(date)* in the home of the petitioners: *(Full names of the petitioners)*.

### THE CHILD

*Indicate the name of the petitioners have given the child. Write a narrative about the child, including the child's current adjustment in the adoptive home and the adjustment of the adoptive parent(s) (family) to the child. Include child's age; race/ethnicity; current health information; school progress (if appropriate); and development. List any benefits the child is eligible for (Social Security, VA, Indian benefits, etc.). Describe Native American (Indian) heritage, if applicable.*

### BIOLOGICAL PARENTS

*Provide as complete information as possible (in paragraph form for each) concerning the biological mother and biological father including:*

- a. Name, date of birth, race, ethnic background. Describe Indian heritage if applicable;*
- b. Physical characteristics (height, weight, hair color, eye color, etc);*
- c. Educational and employment history;*
- d. Family background, marital status, other children (name, sex, and date of birth);*
- e. Health information including drug and alcohol use, pregnancy with the child, and extended family health history;*
- f. Marriage history including names, divorce dates, and names of former spouses;*
- g. Reason(s) for relinquishing the child(ren);*
- h. Any other relevant information about the birth parents or their families;*
- i. If biological parent was not interviewed, explain reasons for not interviewing and describe effort to interview;*
- j. Any counseling received by the biological parent(s); and*
- k. Name of party (attorney/agency) representing biological parent(s). Who explained certificate of irrevocability?*

### BIOLOGICAL PARENT'S ATTITUDE ABOUT THE ADOPTION

*State if the biological mother is firm in her decision to release. If she is not firm in her decision, state her concerns. State the biological father's position and involvement in the decision to give this child up for adoption. Are there any unresolved questions regarding consent or relinquishment? Give date(s) consent(s) signed.*

### SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATION

(Example) "The petitioners are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ years of age respectively. They

have been married for (*number*) of years and they are now petitioning to adopt a (*age*) year old (*related/unrelated*) (*male/female*) child.” If related, state relationship.

Include one or two paragraphs which summarize significant findings regarding the adoption, i.e., petitioners’ parenting ability, family/marital relationships, child’s adjustment in the home, health of child, finances, biological parents’ attitude regarding this adoption.

## **CONSIDERATIONS**

*State any additional information developed during the course of the placement report preparation that the Court should be made aware of. Use this heading only if circumstances exist outside of the topics in the report form.*

## **RECOMMENDATION TO THE COURT**

*End the report with a final recommendation such as:*

1. *“In the best interest of the child, a decree granting this adoption is recommended”;*
2. *“Granting an adoption decree (is recommended with reservation) (is conditionally recommended) for the following reasons:” (state reasons); or*
3. *“Granting an adoption decree is not recommended for the following reasons.” (state reasons)*

## **SIGNATURE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

A copy of this report and all documents served on the department will remain permanently on file in the office of the Department of Human Services, or, if appropriate, the Secretary of State, Archives Division. All vital statistics pertinent to the legality of this adoption have not been verified unless otherwise indicated in this report.

This report was approved by (*Name of Agency Director/Manager*) and prepared by (*Name of worker*), based upon interviews with (*list all persons interviewed and include any other information sources*).

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_