



REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE (Minor Children)

IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT

COUNTY _____
County Where You Are Filing the Case

REQUEST OF _____
Parent or Guardian First, Middle, and Last Name
TO CHANGE NAMES OF MINOR CHILDREN

Case Number _____
(Clerk fills in)



This form set may take between 30-45 minutes to fill out. In general, there are fees to file court forms like this one, but you may qualify to file for free. Check with your local Circuit Clerk for cost and fee waiver information.



I ask the court to enter orders to change the names of the minor children listed below, and state:

- Names - Enter the current first, middle, and last name matching exactly as it appears on the birth certificate to avoid any delays or issues. Enter the new first, middle, and last name that you would like for the children.

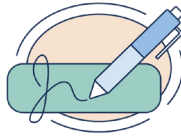
Child's Current Name:

Child's Proposed New Name:

a.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>
b.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>
c.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>
d.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>

- ☐ I am requesting name changes for more than 4 children. I have attached a *Request for Name Change - Additional Children form*.
- ☐ I have attached a *Request for Name Change - Child Information form* for each child.

I have lived continuously in Illinois for at least 6 months beginning: _____
Month, Day, Year



SIGN:

Under [735 ILCS 5/1-109](#), your signature means that you:

1) certify that everything in this document is true and correct, and 2) understand that making a false statement on this form is perjury and has penalties provided by law.

If you are filling out this form online, sign your name by typing it. If you are filling out this form by hand, sign and print your name.

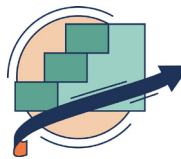
Your Signature /s/ _____ Print Your Name _____

Your Address _____
Street, Apt. # City State Zip Code

Your Phone Number _____ Attorney Number (if any) _____

Your Email _____

Be sure to **check your email every day** so you do not miss important information, court dates, or documents from other parties.



NEXT STEP:

File this form along with your other paperwork with the Circuit Court Clerk's office in the county you live in.

Find your Circuit Clerk here: ilcourts.info/CircuitClerks.



Learn more about each step in the process and how to file in our Instructions:

ilcourts.info/nc-minor-instructions.

THEN:

Once you have filed your petition, you must publish notice of the name change in a newspaper in the county where you live. You must publish the notice at least once a week for three consecutive weeks. The newspaper will provide you with an affidavit of publication that you must file with the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

After filing your petition, you must serve notice of the name change to the other parent unless you qualify to waive notice. Then you will need to attend a hearing in front of a judge. The judge will review your petition and ask you some questions about the name change.