

Parental Approval of a Minor's Name Change

A guided interview that results in a signed copy of the form that is presentable to a
Notary then the court

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In a World Where...

- ▶ A minor your responsible wants a name change
- ▶ It has been discussed and approved by minor and you
- ▶ The minor has completed their form
- ▶ It all comes down to you...



The Form

ASSENT TO PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF MINOR	Docket No. _____	Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
In the Matter of: _____ First Name Middle Name Last Name (Current Name of Minor Child)		_____ Division

- I, _____, as
First Name M.I. Last Name
- ☐ legal mother/parent 1 ☐ legal father/parent 2 ☐ court-appointed guardian, being duly sworn, state the following:
1. I have read the Petition to Change Name of Minor, and agree with it.
 2. I assent to the granting of the petition to change the minor child's name to:

First Name Middle Name Last Name
(Print minor child's proposed new legal name here)
 3. I believe this name change is in the minor child's best interest.
 4. I assent to the court conducting a Court Activity Record Information (CARI) and Warrant Management System (WMS) check on any names used by the minor child, if the child is 12 years of age or older.
 5. By signing this assent, I am waiving my right to citation notice of the petition.

NOTARIZED SIGNATURE

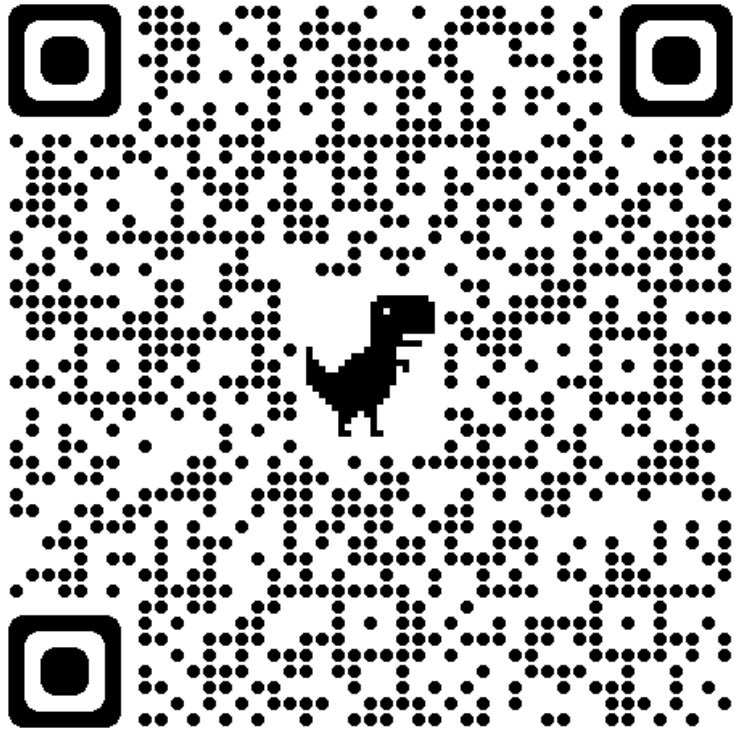
Date: _____ Sign here in the presence of a Notary → _____
Type or Print Name

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
County of _____

On this _____ day of _____, 20____, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared _____,
(Name of Document Signer)
proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, which
were _____, to be the person who signed the preceding or attached document in my presence, and
who swore or affirmed to me that the contents of the document are truthful and accurate to the best of (his) (her) knowledge
and belief.

(seal) Notary Public Signature _____ My commission expires: _____
Print Name _____

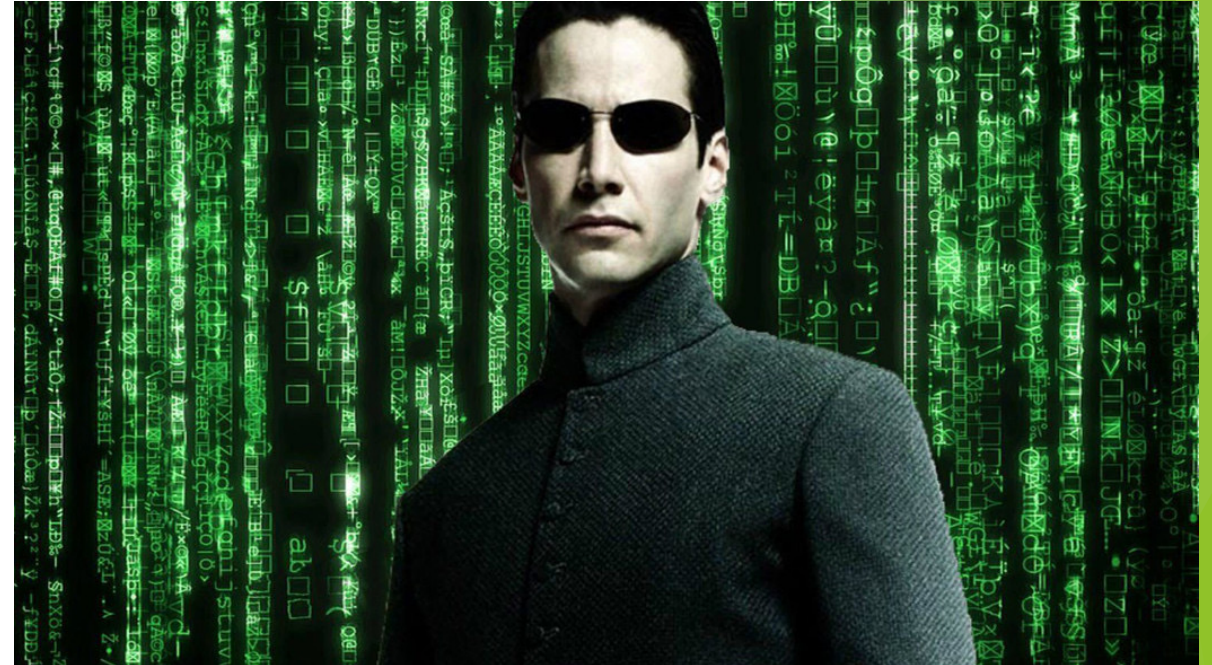
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https://apps-dev.suffolklitlab.org/start/playground309NameChange/Name_change_adult_form/?from_list=1

Process of Creation

- ▶ Research on topic was minimal
- ▶ The power of Docassemble
 - ▶ Pdf named
 - ▶ Pdf weaved
 - ▶ Coding
 - ▶ Lots of help from Michelle in OH
 - ▶ Testing
 - ▶ Good levels of confusion
 - ▶ Results



The Power of the Documentation

- ▶ This form is the last step preventing this minor from changing their name
- ▶ The court can say no to silly names
 - ▶ Lightning McQueen
 - ▶ Person McPersonface
- ▶ Adult should be aware
- ▶ Only limitation is that it can only do this one form
 - ▶ Childs form is not created in with this tool
 - ▶ Moral reasons



Why this tool?

- ▶ Its free!
- ▶ Its SO SIMPLE
- ▶ Let the costumer do it rather than waste your time
- ▶ Speed up the process

Why not this tool?

- ▶ Its not your work
- ▶ You require a more hands on approach
- ▶ You just don't like me
 - ▶ That's ok

What could be next

- ▶ Translations
- ▶ Integration with the minor's name change with out making it too easy for minors to just willy nilly change their name
- ▶ Notary integration
 - ▶ Set up appointment or access to one on zoom
- ▶ Delivery instructions for court

Questions?

