



CIRCUIT COURT FOR _____, MARYLAND

City/County

Located at _____
Court Address

Telephone _____

Case No. _____

IN THE MATTER OF:

Minor's current legal name

Address

City, State, Zip

FOR JUDICIAL DECLARATION OF GENDER IDENTITY AS:

Gender designation desired

PETITION FOR JUDICIAL DECLARATION OF GENDER IDENTITY OF A MINOR

WITH WITHOUT A NAME CHANGE

(Md. Rule 15-902)

NOTES: Use this form to ask the court to issue an order designating (affirming) the gender identity of a minor child. File this petition in the county in which the minor lives or was born, or where you or another parent, guardian, or custodian lives. If you only need an order changing the minor's name, file a Petition for Change of Name of a Minor (form CC-DR-062) instead.

- If the minor is at least 10 years old, attach their written consent or objection. They can use form CC-DR-124 (Minor's Consent/Objection to Judicial Declaration of Gender Identity).
- If you are asking for a judicial declaration of gender identity with a name change, attach a copy of the minor's birth certificate or any other document(s) with the minor's current name (e.g., driver's license, passport, court order for change of name, adoption decree).
- Attach any other documents supporting your request.
- You must inform all parents, guardians, and custodians about your request.
o They can consent or object to your request in writing using the form CC-DR-123 (Parent's/Guardian's/Custodian's Consent/Objection to Judicial Declaration of Gender Identity). File their consent or objection with this petition.
o If a parent's, guardian's, or custodian's consent is not included with your petition, you need to serve them with (provide) copies of the petition and any documents you file with the court, and a notice that the court will issue. If they cannot be located to receive these documents, file a Motion for Alternate Service and Affidavit (form CC-DR-070). Learn more about service at mdcourts.gov/video/selfhelp/service-process.

Know before you file:

A court order is not necessary to update a minor's gender marker on records with the Social Security Administration, Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration, Maryland Division of Vital Records (to update a Maryland birth certificate), or the U.S. Department of State (to update a passport). Talk to a lawyer about administrative options for updating these types of records.

I, _____, whose address is _____, whose telephone number is _____, and whose e-mail address (if any) is _____ state that:

1. I am the parent guardian custodian of _____.

2. **Venue.** I am filing this petition in this county/Baltimore City because: *(select one)*

the minor lives here.

the minor was born here.

I live here.

_____, who is the minor's parent guardian custodian, lives here.
Name

3. The minor was born on _____ in _____ and

Date of birth

City, state, county, country

currently lives at _____

Minor's address

4. I am requesting a court order declaring the minor's gender identity as _____ because:
Gender designation desired

5. **Complete this section if you are also requesting a name change for the minor.**

a. The name the minor was given at birth is _____.
Birth name

Attach a copy of the minor's birth certificate or any other document(s) with the minor's current name (e.g., driver's license, passport, court order for change of name, adoption decree).

b. **Complete this section if it applies.**

The minor's name has been changed to the following since birth:

(List any reasons why the minor's name may have changed since birth, for example adoption.)

Name changed to:

Reason:

c. I am requesting that the minor's name be changed to _____ because:
Name you want the minor to be known as

d. **Select one:**

The minor never registered as a sexual offender in any state.

The minor is registered or previously has been required to register as a sexual offender under the following name(s):

Name(s) (including any suffix):

State(s) where registration is/was required:

6. My request(s) is/are in the minor's best interest because:

7. **Select one.**

The minor is at least 10 years old and: **(check all that apply)**

- consents to (agrees) the judicial declaration of gender identity.
- objects to (opposes) the judicial declaration of gender identity.
- consents to (agrees) the name change *(if requested)*.
- objects to (opposes) the name change *(if requested)*.

Attach the minor's written consent or objection.

The minor is under the age of 10 and: **(check all that apply)**

- does not object to the judicial declaration of gender identity. **(Select this if the minor supports the declaration, does not have a preference, or is too young or otherwise unable to state a preference.)**
- objects to this request for a judicial declaration of gender identity.
- does not object to the name change *(if requested)*. **(Select this if the minor supports the name change, does not have a preference, or is too young or otherwise unable to state a preference.)**
- objects to the name change *(if requested)*.

8. The following individual(s) is/are a parent, guardian, or custodian of the minor **(attach any written consents and additional sheets if needed)**:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail (if any): _____

This person: **(select all that apply)**

- consents to the declaration of gender identity.
- consents to the name change *(if requested)*.
- has not consented at this time because:

Reason(s) why their written consent is not attached

- is not identified or listed on the birth certificate.
- cannot be found.
- has died **(attach a copy of their death certificate)**.
- does not or may not speak or be able to read English.

They do or may be able to understand _____ Language

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail (if any): _____

This person: **(select all that apply)**

- consents to the declaration of gender identity.
- consents to the name change *(if requested)*.
- has not consented at this time because:

- _____ Reason(s) why their written consent is not attached
- is not identified or listed on the birth certificate.
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- does not or may not speak or be able to read English.
- They do or may be able to understand _____ Language _____

9. My request(s) is/are not for any illegal or fraudulent purpose.

FOR THESE REASONS, I request: (check all that apply)

- the court issue an order declaring _____ 's gender identity as
Minor's current name
_____ Gender designation desired
- the court issue an order changing the minor's name from _____ to
Minor's current name
_____ Name you want the minor to be known as

I, _____, solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury, that the contents of this
Your name
document are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

_____ Date

_____ Petitioner Signature

_____ Printed Name

_____ Address

_____ City, State, Zip

_____ Telephone

_____ E-mail