



CIRCUIT COURT FOR \_\_\_\_\_, MARYLAND  
City/County

Located at \_\_\_\_\_ Case No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Court Address

IN THE MATTER OF:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Minor's Current Legal Name  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

FOR CHANGE OF NAME TO:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name You Want the Minor to be Known As

BY AND THROUGH THEIR PARENT/GUARDIAN/CUSTODIAN:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent, Guardian, or Custodian  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

**PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME (MINOR)  
(Md. Rule 15-901)**

**NOTES:**

- File this form in the county in which the minor lives.
- If the minor is younger than 1-year-old, you may not need a court order (Md. Health Gen. Art., § 4-214).
- Do NOT use this form in connection with adoption.
- You must attach documents with the minor's current name (e.g., birth certificate).
- You must publish a notice in a newspaper unless the court issues a waiver. Complete Notice for Publication (Minor) (Form CC-DR-065) and see the clerk. To request a waiver, file a Motion for Waiver of Publication (Name Change – Minor) (Form CC-DR-114).
- File a Petition to Seal or Otherwise Limit Inspection of a Case Record (Form CC-DC-053) if you do not want the public to access case records associated with this petition.
- Changing the name of a child will not change an existing child support obligation.
- Learn more at [mdcourts.gov/namechange](http://mdcourts.gov/namechange).

Petitioner, \_\_\_\_\_, a minor, whose address is \_\_\_\_\_  
Minor's current legal name Minor's address

\_\_\_\_\_, by and through their  parent  guardian  custodian,

\_\_\_\_\_, states that:  
Name of parent, guardian, or custodian

1. The minor was born on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of birth City, state, county, country  
and presently resides at \_\_\_\_\_  
Address

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2. The child's birth name is \_\_\_\_\_  
Birth name

3. The child's name has been changed to the following since birth for the following reasons:  
(List any reasons why the child's name may have changed since birth, for example, adoption.)

Name changed to:

Reason:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

4. (Select one):

The minor has never registered as a sexual offender.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Full name(s) as registered, including suffixes

5. I want the minor's new name to be \_\_\_\_\_  
Name you want the minor to be known as

6. I am requesting this change of name because:

**NOTE: You must inform all parents, guardians, or custodians about your request to change a minor's name.**

- Provide all parents, guardians, or custodians with copies of the documents you filed with the court and the Writ of Summons (service of process).
- Try to get consent for the minor's name change from all parents, guardians, or custodians. They may complete Consent to Change of Name (Form CC-DR-063), which you file with your petition. Many, but not all, courts accept this as a waiver of their right to be served with copies of court documents.
- If a parent, guardian, or custodian has died, attach a copy of the death certificate.

7. The name and address of each parent, guardian and custodian of the child is:

Name

Address

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

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8. The other parent, guardian, or custodian:
- consents to and joins this petition (*attach their consent*).
  - has not consented at this time.
  - is not identified or listed on the birth certificate.
  - cannot be found, and I have attached an affidavit and motion to serve by alternative means.
9. The purpose of my request is not for any illegal or fraudulent purpose.

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

- the minor's name be changed from \_\_\_\_\_  
Minor's current legal name  
to \_\_\_\_\_  
Name you want the minor to be known as
- the court issue an order to the Division of Vital Records to amend certificate of birth to reflect the new name.
- the court hold a hearing on this petition.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that the contents  
Petitioner's Name  
of this document are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Petitioner's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail