

**CHECKLIST FOR FILING PETITION FOR ADOPTION**  
**effective July 1, 2021**

Name of Petitioner(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Attorney's Name and Bar Number \_\_\_\_\_

SEE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER PROCEDURES IN ADOPTION ACTIONS LOCATED AT  
[HTTPS://WWW.16THCIRCUIT.ORG/FAMILY-COURT-ADMINISTRATIVE-ORDERS](https://www.16thcircuit.org/family-court-administrative-orders)

- Adoption in which jurisdiction is pursuant to 211 RSMo
- Adoption in which jurisdiction is **not** pursuant to 211 RSMo

**PETITION FOR ADOPTION WILL NOT BE FILED UNLESS THERE IS A RECEIPT FOR THE FULL FILING FEE OR A MOTION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS/AS A POOR PERSON.**

Filing Fee:

- \$325.50 Regular (JD) including Recognition of Foreign Adoption
- \$280.50 Step-Child (JF)
- \$215.50 Adult (JG)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$30 for each additional child \_\_\_\_\_ additional children @ \$30 ea = \$\_\_\_\_\_
- Subtract \$30 if no amended birth certificate requested

**Total Filing Fee**      \$\_\_\_\_\_

Documents required to file:

- Petition for Adoption
- Family Court Information Sheet - [Form 17](#)
- [Certificate of Decree of Adoption](#) for each juvenile
- An accounting of any money or anything of value paid, transferred or promised by or on behalf of the Petitioner in connection with the placement or adoption