OAKLAND COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT, FAMILY DIVISION, ADOPTION SERVICES

Temporary Placement (MCL 710.23d)

Temporary Placement occurs if the adoptee is placed in the prospective adoptive home until the consent or release of the birth parents is obtained, at which time it becomes a "formal placement." **Temporary placement documents are required although the prospective adoptive family is licensed for foster care.** These forms are often completed at the hospital and, therefore, can be handwritten (fill in the blanks) by the parties.

Temporary custody documents are filed with the court in the county in which the prospective adoptive family resides within **48 hours of the placement**. The court will accept faxed documents with the originals to follow with pre-placement assessment.

Agency Placement:

1. *Statement of Parent / Guardian Authorizing Temporary Placement* (PCA-329)
2. *Statement of Child Placing Agency Transferring Physical Custody* (PCA-331)
3. *Statement of Prospective Adoptive Parent Transferring Physical Custody of Child for Adoption* (PC-332)
4. *Follow-up Report* filed within 30 days. (If not receive by the court within 45 days, the matter must be referred to the prosecutor.) MCL 710.23(d)(4)

Direct Placement:

1. *Statement of Parent / Guardian Transferring Physical Custody of Child* (PCA-330)
2. *Statement of Prospective Adoptive Parents Transferring Custody* (PCA-332)
3. *Follow-up Report** within 30 days. (If not received by the court within 45 days, the matter must be submitted to the prosecutor.) MCL 710.23(D)(4)

If the parties are not exchanging identifying information:

Statement of Identifying Information (PCA-340) is to be used if 2(b) is checked on the PCA-330, **or** if identifying information is not being exchanged. **The last names of the parties are considered identifying information; therefore, if the parties are exchanging last names, they are exchanging identifying information.**

Pre-Placement Assessment (PPA):

The birth parent is to have read or had an opportunity to read a PPA prior to temporary placement; therefore, a PPA should be available and is to be submitted with temporary custody documents. (MCL 710.23(d)(1)(c)(iv)

**A Follow-up Report after Temporary Placement of Child* (PCA-333) must be filed to show the status of the child and whether a Petition for Adoption has been filed.

If filing a direct placement adoption, please refer to "Filing of Petitions for Adoption for Direct Placement Adoptions."

If filing an adoption other than Direct Placement, please refer to "Oakland County 'Other' Adoptions."