



# REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE

(Minor Children)

IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT

COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_  
*The County Where You Are Filing the Case*

REQUEST OF \_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent or Guardian First, Middle, and Last Name*  
TO CHANGE NAMES OF MINOR CHILDREN

Case Number \_\_\_\_\_



This form may take between 30-45 minutes to fill out. In general, there are fees to file court forms like this one, but you may qualify to file for free. Check with your local Circuit Clerk for cost and fee waiver information.



**I ask the court to enter orders to change the names of the minor children listed below, and state:**

- Names - Enter your complete current name. Make sure the current name matches exactly as it appears on the birth certificate (or most recent or current legal name) to avoid any delays or issues.

*Child's Current Name:*

*Child's Proposed New Name:*

a.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>
b.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>
c.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>
d.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>

- ☐ I am requesting name changes for more than 4 children. I have attached a *Request for Name Change – Additional Children* form.
- ☐ I have attached a *Request for Name Change - Child Information* form for each child.
- ☐ The children have lived continuously in Illinois for at least 6 months.

Be sure to **check your email every day** so you do not miss important information, court dates, or documents from other parties.



## NEXT STEP:

File this form along with your other paperwork with the Circuit Court Clerk in the county you live in. You can find your clerk's information at: [ilcourts.info/CircuitClerks](http://ilcourts.info/CircuitClerks).

After filing your petition, you must serve notice of the name change on the other parent unless you qualify to waive notice. Then you will need to attend a hearing in front of a judge. The judge will review your petition and ask you some questions about the name change.