

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF WILLIAMS COUNTY, OHIO
PROBATE DIVISION
KAREN K. GALLAGHER, JUDGE

IN THE MATTER OF:

CASE NO. _____

(Name after Adoption)

**AFFIDAVIT FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
(Adoption)**

I, the undersigned affiant, being first duly cautioned and sworn according to law, state that I have attempted to obtain an address for service of notice of the hearing on the petition to adopt the minor named above, but I am unable to attain the current mailing address for the following person(s), birth parent(s) of the minor:

I swear that I have acted with reasonable diligence to find the whereabouts of the person(s) named above, using the methods described below.

Attempted direct contact by the following means (communication/results attached):

- ☐ Last known phone number, via ☐ call and/or ☐ text message
- ☐ Written communication, sent to last known address
- ☐ Email
- ☐ Social media messenger or post
- ☐ Other: _____

In the above attempt(s) at contact, I explained that I was requesting an address for the person(s) in order to provide notice of the petition to adopt the minor in Williams County, Ohio, but the person(s) refused to provide me with the requested information.

Asked the following individuals for contact information for the person(s):

These individuals are:

- ☐ relatives of the person(s) (parents, siblings, aunts/uncles, cousins, etc.)

☐ known friends or acquaintances of the person(s)

☐ current or former employer(s) of the person(s)

☐ other: _____

Searched the following social media platforms for profile(s) for the person(s) (results attached):

☐ Facebook ☐ Twitter/X ☐ Instagram ☐ SnapChat ☐ TikTok ☐ LinkedIn

☐ Other: _____

Searched the following websites (results attached):

☐ www.truepeoplesearch.com

☐ www.anywho.com

☐ LexisNexis public records

☐ Internet white pages/telephone directories

☐ Other website/engine: _____

Searched the following public records (results attached):

☐ marriage records

☐ police/sheriff records

☐ clerk of court filings

☐ municipal court filings

☐ state inmate search

☐ other: _____

Other:

☐ I believe the last known address(es) of the person(s) is/are not current because:

☐ Other efforts not listed above:

I understand that the methods described above are not exhaustive, and that the Court will decide if I have exercised reasonable diligence depending on the circumstances of this case, subject to continuing review.

I also understand that an adoption petitioner has the continuing duty to notify the Court if the information necessary to serve the birth parent(s) with notice of the petition is obtained during the pendency of this case.

Affiant signature

Affiant printed name