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HOW DO I FILE A COURT DETERMINATION OF PATERNITY?

If an Idaho court has determined paternity for a child born in the state of Idaho, this office requires a completed Idaho Court Certification of Court Determination of Paternity form* that has been certified by the court clerk. The information for the child, mother, and father must be completed on the form prior to presenting it to the court. The bottom section of the form must be completed and certified by the court clerk in the county where paternity was determined. The form can be obtained by contacting this office at 208-334-5980; we will mail the form to you.

If a court of another State within the U.S. has determined paternity for a child born in the state of Idaho, this office requires a certified copy of the court order. A certified copy will contain the file date, the original court seal, and original court clerk's signature. The court order must identify the child by name and date of birth. The certified copy of the court order must be accompanied by a sworn statement* of one and the same person signed in the presence of a notary public by a parent or legal guardian.

If a court of law has determined that the legal father (husband) or another man who is listed as the father is not the biological father of a child, we must receive a certified copy of the court order in order to remove the listed father's information from the birth certificate. The court order must identify the child by name and date of birth. Certified copies of court orders will contain the file date, an original court seal, and original court clerk's signature.

Provide a signed written request to process a court determination of paternity or non-paternity along with current identification of the person who signs the request. Your request will also need to provide the following information:

- Name of the child as it is currently listed on the birth certificate
- Child's date of birth
- Child's place of birth
- The mother's full maiden name and biological father's full name
- Your relationship to the person(s) named on the certificate
- Your return address
- Your daytime telephone number

There is a \$20.00 legal amendment fee to file a paternity action. The legal amendment fee does not include a certified copy of the certificate. Certified copies of the birth



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certificate are \$16.00 each. The Idaho Vital Statistics Certificate Request Form* may be used to provide the required certificate information and to request a copy of the certificate, if desired.

Requests for legal actions are worked in the order they are received. Our response time to your request could take several weeks depending on the volume of requests received.

The Idaho Bureau of Vital Records and Health Statistics does not have a public counter. Your request may be dropped off in our lobby drop box located at 450 West State Street, Boise, Idaho 83702, or mailed to our post office box:

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* Please visit the following website to obtain forms:
<http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/health/vitalrecordsandhealthstatistics/legal/tabid/1507/default.aspx>