

Montana \_\_\_\_\_ Judicial District Court  
Number of the Judicial District where you are filing

\_\_\_\_\_ County  
Name of the county where you are filing

In the Matter of the Name Change of _____ <i>Your name now</i>  _____ Petitioner ( <i>your name now</i> )	Cause No.: _____ Dept. No.: _____  <b>Order Changing Name</b>
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A Petition for Name Change was filed in this case. A hearing was held on  
(date:) \_\_\_\_\_. Based on the evidence, the Court finds:  
*mm/dd/yyyy*

**Findings of Fact**

**1 Petitioner's name**

The Petitioner's current name is (*your name now*)

\_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Last*

The Petitioner wishes to change names to (*the new name you want*)

\_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Last*

## 2 Petitioner's place of birth

Petitioner was born in

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City*                      *County*                      *State*

## 3 Petitioner's date of birth

Petitioner was born on (date) \_\_\_\_\_.  
*mm/dd/yyyy*

## 4 Purpose of name change

The name change is not to avoid debt, hide a criminal record, or for any other improper reason.

## 5 Notice of hearing

Notice of this hearing was published or posted as required by law.

*Check one:*

The Petitioner published notice of the hearing in a newspaper in this county. The notice was published for four weeks in a row.

**or**

No newspaper is published in this county. The Petitioner posted notice of the hearing in three public places for four weeks in a row.

## Conclusions of Law

- 1 The Petitioner's name change is allowed under Montana law. Montana Code Annotated 27-31-101 to 205.
- 2 The Petitioner has provided notice of the hearing in this case as required by law. Montana Code Annotated 27-31-201.

## Order

This Court orders that:

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## 1 Name Change

The Petitioner's name is changed **from**

*(old name:)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Last*

**to** *(new name:)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Last*

## 2 Changes to Birth Certificate

*Check one:*

Montana Vital Statistics (MVS) will change the Petitioner's birth record to show this name change. MVS will line through the old name, type the new name above the old name, and stamp "ALTERED" on the birth record.

**or**

Montana Vital Statistics (MVS) will create a new birth record only showing the Petitioner's new name. MVS will put the old birth record in a sealed file which can only be opened by court order.

**or**

Petitioner was not born in Montana.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
DISTRICT COURT JUDGE