

Adult Adoption Checklist (AB Case Type)
Calhoun County – 37th Circuit Court Clerk’s Office

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY:

- Petitioner(s) or Adoptee **must** be a resident of Calhoun County.
- Adoptee **must** be at least 18 years old.
- Petitioners **must** be married if adopting together.
- Forms must be typed or clearly hand-printed in black or blue ink.

PLEASE NOTE: The biological/legal parents are required to get notice of the adoption proceeding. Please provide current names and addresses on the Petition for Adoption and Adoption Questionnaire.

FEES:

Petition for Adoption filing fee (per petition)	\$175.00
Investigation Fee (per family at time of filing)	\$300.00
Certified copy of the Order of Adoption, if requested	\$11.00
❖ All above fees shall be paid by check or money order made payable to: 37 th Circuit Court	
New Michigan Birth Certificate, if requested	\$50.00
❖ Check or money order made out to: STATE OF MICHIGAN Out-of-state birth record fees and processes will vary.	

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED: (Copies of supporting documents are accepted when legible and scannable)

- Petition for Adoption (PCA 301).
- Adoptee and Petitioners Drivers License or State ID.
- Birth Certificate of Adoptee and Petitioner(s).
- Petitioners Marriage License, if applicable.
- If a biological/legal parent is deceased-a certified death certificate.
- Petitioner’s Verified Accounting (PCA 347).
- Calhoun County’s Adoption Questionnaire with two (2) reference letters attached.
- Statement of Services Performed by Attorney-7 Day (PCA 346), if applicable.
- Personal service and publication requirements, including fees, will be the responsibility of the Petitioner(s) and/or attorney.
- Depending on your situation additional forms may be necessary.

INVESTIGATION

Pursuant to the Adoption Code 710.46 the court is required to conduct a full investigation. This will be completed by a court investigator. The investigator has up to 3 months to complete their investigation and file their Investigation Report with the court. The Investigator will contact the petitioner(s) and Adoptee after the case has been opened.

PLEASE NOTE: COURT PERSONNEL CANNOT GIVE LEGAL ADVICE

Please contact an attorney for any legal questions or assistance filling out forms.

Contact Information:

37th Circuit Court Clerk's Office
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