

CAUSE NO. _____

IN THE INTEREST OF:

IN THE _____ JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

A CHILD/CHILDREN

_____ COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER FOR PREPARATION OF ADOPTION EVALUATION
BY FORENSIC COUNSELING SERVICES

1. IT IS ORDERED that the first available staff member from the following list of persons is appointed as adoption evaluator (the "Evaluator") to conduct an adoption evaluation and prepare a written report containing opinions and recommendations to the Court regarding the parties and the child(ren) in question and, without limitation, on the issues set forth below.

Aaron Robb, Ph.D., Program Director; or

Kim England, LCSW, independent staff member; or

Mindy Harrison, LCSW, independent staff member; or

Monika Logan, LPC, under the supervision of Dr. Robb; or

Michelle Nietert, LPC-S, under the supervision of Dr. Robb

The Court finds that the Evaluator is qualified to conduct an adoption evaluation pursuant to Texas Family Code Chapter 107. The parties are each ORDERED to provide a copy of this order along with their names, addresses, telephone numbers and other contact information to the Evaluator within three days of the signing of this Order.

2. IT IS ORDERED that the Evaluator shall conduct an adoption evaluation to evaluate each party who requests adoption of the child(ren) in question or termination of the parent-child relationship, and the circumstances and condition of the home and social environment of each person who is seeking to adopt the child(ren) in question, specifically:

Petitioners Names:
Child(ren)'s names and dates of birth:

3. IT IS ORDERED that the cost associated of preparing the adoption evaluation shall be paid by the petitioners. The parties are ORDERED to pay their respective portions of these costs at such times and in such amounts as the Evaluator may direct. All parties are ordered to provide a copy of this order along with their completed Adoption Evaluation Advisement, Personal History Questionnaire, and Acknowledgement of Notice of Privacy Practices forms (available at www.texas counseling.org) to the Evaluator within seven business days of the signing of this order.

4. IT IS ORDERED that the Evaluator shall comply with each of the provisions in Texas Family Code §107, Subchapter E, regarding adoption evaluations.

5. IT IS ORDERED that the Evaluator shall prepare a report containing their findings and conclusions regarding whether the parties seeking adoption would be suitable to adopt the child who is the subject of the suit if the termination of parental rights is granted. The report shall be filed with the Court no later than _____. It is ordered if the child(ren) in question are currently residing in the home with the potential adoptive parents the pre- and post-placement portions of the adoption evaluation shall be combined.

6. THE COURT FINDS that the Evaluator is entitled to any report, record, working paper, or other information in the possession, custody, or control of the Department of Family and Protective Services that pertains to the persons involved in the evaluation. Any unredacted Child Protective Services Records that have been provided to the evaluator remain confidential pursuant to Texas Administrative Code 700.203. Parties wanting copies of Child Protective Services Records must either obtain them from the agency directly or request in-camera review by the court.

Signed on this _____ day of _____, 20_____

Judge Presiding