

# PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION LEGIBLY AND CORRECTLY BELOW. COMPLETE THE FRONT AND BACK OF THIS FORM.

| Section 1: INFORMATION AS SHOWN ON ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE |                                       |  |                                      |  |
|---|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| BIRTH CERTIFICATE NUMBER                                |                                       | DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, & YEAR)     |                                      |  |
| FIRST NAME OF CHILD AT BIRTH                            | MIDDLE NAME OF CHILD AT BIRTH         | LAST NAME OF CHILD AT BIRTH            | GENERATION (JR., II, III, ETC.)      |  |
| CHILD'S SEX (FEMALE OR MALE)                            | MOTHER'S FIRST NAME AT BIRTH OF CHILD | MOTHER'S MIDDLE NAME AT BIRTH OF CHILD | MOTHER'S LAST NAME AT BIRTH OF CHILD |  |

### Section 2: INFORMATION NEEDED TO PREPARE AN AMENDED CERTIFICATE

| FIRST NAME OF CHILD                            | MIDDLE NAMI | E OF CHILD                                  | LAST NAME OF CHILD |  | GENERATION (JR., II, III, ETC.) |
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| CHILD'S SEX (FEMALE OR MALE)                   |             | DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, & YEAR)          |                    |  |                                 |
|  |             |   |                    |  |                                 |
| MOTHER'S FIRST NAME AT BIRTH OF CHILD          |             | MOTHER'S MIDDLE NAME AT BIRTH OF CHILD      |                    | MOTHER'S CURRENT LEGAL MARRIED LAST NAME |                                 |
|  |             |   |                    |  |                                 |
| FATHER'S FIRST NAME AT BIRTH OF CHILD FATHER'S |             | FATHER'S MIDDLE NAME AT BIRTH OF CHILD      |                    | FATHER'S LAST NAME AT BIRTH OF CHILD     |                                 |
|  |             |   |                    |  |                                 |
| FATHER'S PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY, COUNTY, STATE)  |             | FATHER'S DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, & YEAR) |                    |  |                                 |
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#### Section 3: AFFIDAVIT OF PARENTS

We the undersigned hereby certify that we are the natural parents of the child named above and were married on the date below at the place below.

| PLACE OF MARRIAGE (CITY, COUNTY, STATE) | DATE OF MARRIAGE (MONTH, DAY, & YEAR) |
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We hereby request the child's birth certificate be amended as shown in Part 2, and that the child's surname be shown on the amended certificate as it is printed below.

| FIRST NAME OF CHILD | MIDDLE NAME OF CHILD | LAST NAME OF CHILD | GENERATION (JR., II, III, ETC.) |
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## Section 4: NOTARY PUBLIC

| MOTHER'S SIGNATURE   | FATHER'S SIGNATURE   |
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| PARENT'S SIGNATURE (IF MOTHER IS A MINOR UNDER AGE 18, A PARENT MUST ALSO SIGN.) | PARENT'S SIGNATURE (IF FATHER IS A MINOR UNDER AGE 18, A PARENT MUST ALSO SIGN.) |
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| ACKNOWLEDGED TO BE TRUE BEFORE ME ON (NOTARY'S SIGNATURE & DATE):                | ACKNOWLEDGED TO BE TRUE BEFORE ME ON (NOTARY'S SIGNATURE & DATE):                |
|  |  |
| MY TERM EXPIRES ON (DATE):   | MY TERM EXPIRES ON (DATE):   |
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|  |  |
| IDENTIFICATION TYPE & NO. PRESENTED BY MOTHER                                    | IDENTIFICATION TYPE & NO. PRESENTED BY FATHER                                    |
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| PLEASE PLACE THE NOTARY SEAL BELOW.  | PLEASE PLACE THE NOTARY SEAL BELOW.  |
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PLEASE ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE ADDRESS BELOW.

STATE OFFICE OF VITAL RECORDS | 1680 PHOENIX BLVD. SUITE 100, ATLANTA, GA 30349 | PHONE 404.679.4702



#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

NOTE: The fee to amend a vital record is \$10.00. This fee does not include certified copies of the record and is non-refundable. Certified copies of birth and death certificates are \$25.00 and \$5.00 for each additional copy purchased at the same time.

If this request is being mailed, please forward this completed form with a U.S. Money Order or certified check for the correct amount made payable to the State Office of Vital Records. A valid copy of your Photo ID must accompany this request. Please do not send cash by mail.

The State of Georgia Rule 511-1-3-.14 provides for the amendment of a birth certificate when the natural parents marry after the birth.

To carry out the provisions to amend the birth certificate, a certified copy of the parents' marriage record and an affidavit of both parents are required.

If the putative father is deceased when an application for an amendment of a birth is made paternity must be established. If there is another person named as the father on the birth certificate or the marital status on the birth certificate is "Yes", paternity must still be established through a court of competent jurisdiction, or by adoption by the natural father. If another person is named as father on the birth certificate, the court order must specify the name to be removed and the name to be added as father of the child.

Please note: The fee to amend a vital record is \$10.00.

- 1. If the birth certificate does not list another father and states that the mother was not married at the time of the child's birth, determine if the father is living and willing to acknowledge paternity.
  - (a) If not, advise the applicant that the amendment must be accomplished through court procedure.
  - (b) If so, obtain a certified copy of the parent's marriage license.
- 2. If the marriage license indicates that the parents married prior to the child's birth, advise the applicant that the amendment must be accomplished through court procedure.
- 3. If the marriage license indicates that the parents married after the child's birth, complete the Application for an Amended Certificate of Birth by Legitimation.
- 4. Enter the information from the original certificate in Part 1 of the application.
- 5. Obtain information for the amended certificate from the parent(s) and enter in Part II of the application. If the surname of the child is to be changed to show the father's surname, please indicate it in Part II.

If the corrections in addition to adding the father's information and changing the surname of the child are requested, enter correct information in part II and provide the following:

- (a) Obtain evidence to substantiate such correction;
- (b) Attach evidence to the Application for an Amended Certificate of Birth by Legitimation and submit it to the State Office of Vital Records.
- 6. Insert the date and place of marriage in Part III of the application.
- 7. Insert the full name of the child to be shown on the amended certificate in Part III.
- 8. Obtain the notarized signatures of both parents in Part III, explaining to the parents that their signatures on the affidavit are a sworn statement as to the natural father of the child.
- 9. Attach a certified copy of the marriage license to the completed application along with any documentary evidence for the other corrections and forward to the State Office of Vital Records.
- 10. Monitor the return of the amended certificate. If the custodial copy is not received within two weeks, make written inquiry to the State Office.