**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

In re: Matter of the Adoption of AAA

 Civil Action No.

Judge:

BBB and CCB,

Petitioners.

**FINAL ORDER GRANTING ADOPTION**

 This action came on for final hearing on ­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, before the Court on a Petition for Adoption. Petitioners, BBB and CCB appeared in person, Atty Lawyer, Esq. being an attorney duly licensed in the state of West Virginia. The Court placed Petitioners under oath and heard all the relevant testimony in and about this matter, all of which was recorded. Upon the pleadings and the testimony of the parties, the Court does hereby **FIND** and **ORDER** as follows:

1. The Court has jurisdiction of the subject matter of this case. Venue is

properly in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County.

1. Petitioners BBB and CCB, reside in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

County, West Virginia.

1. Petitioner CCB in the biological mother of the minor child, AAA.
2. Petitioner BBB is married to CCB and the stepfather of the minor child, AAA.
3. The child, AAA, born December 20, 2002, has resided with Petitioners in excess

of six months prior to the filing of the Petition for Adoption.

1. More than 45 days have lapsed since Petitioners filed the Petition for Adoption.
2. The child is not possessed of any property.
3. The biological father of the minor child is deceased/consent/has abandoned/is

unknown.

1. Petitioner was made aware by the Court that the child would have the same

right of inheritance as his other children, and that Petitioner may have the duty of child support should the child be removed from his custody.

1. Petitioner is able financially to provide for, support, maintain, educate, and

discipline the child and desires to adopt, care for, and protect the child as his own. Petitioner is of good moral character and of respectable standing and reputation in the community in which he resides. Petitioner has paid no adoption fees to a placement agency with respect to this adoption. Petitioner will have no financial gain or windfall by completion of this adoption.

1. Petitioner is a fit person to adopt the child and the best interests of the child will

be promoted and advanced by this adoption.

1. No other persons have custody or any visitation rights regarding the minor child.
2. The minor child is not an “Indian child” or of Native American descent as

defined in the Indian Child Welfare Act, 25 U.S.C. sec. 1903; therefore, the Act does not apply.

 **WHEREFORE**, the Court does **ORDER** and **ADJUDGE** as follows:

1. The Petition of BBB and CCB, for the adoption of the minor child herein, is

hereby **GRANTED**.

1. The rights, duties, privileges, and relations between the child and Petitioner,

BBB, shall henceforth in all respects be the same, including the rights of inheritance, as if the child had been born to the adopting parent.

1. A name change has been sought; therefore, the child’s name shall be changed

to AAB.

1. This file shall be sealed and only opened upon Court order.
2. There being nothing further before the Court, this matter is ordered stricken

from the docket.

1. The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall mail certified copies of this Order to the

following:

[List of people to receive copies]

Entered this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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Judge \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Circuit Court Judge

Prepared by:

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