

**AFFIDAVIT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE CHILD ON A CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH WITHIN TWELVE (12) MONTHS OF BIRTH**

**SCRATCH OUTS OR WHITE OUTS ON DOCUMENT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**

County \_\_\_\_\_ City of \_\_\_\_\_

This Affidavit may be used to change the name of a child within the first **12 months after birth**. This Affidavit must be accompanied by a written request from **both** parents in order to change the name of a child on the original birth certificate. If only one parent is named on the certificate then only that parent needs complete the written request and Affidavit to Change the Name.

**SECTION ONE: PARENTAL INFORMATION**

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent 1: Full Name* *Parent 2: Full Name*

Being duly sworn, depose and say they reside at \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address*

\_\_\_\_\_ and are the true parent(s) of  
*City or County and Phone Number*

\_\_\_\_\_ who was born at \_\_\_\_\_  
*The name of the child as recorded on original birth certificate* *Name of facility*

located in \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
*Name of County or Baltimore City* *Child's date of birth*

and whose Birth Certificate, Registration/State File Number \_\_\_\_\_ is on file with the Maryland Department of Health, Division of Vital Records.

**SECTION TWO: CORRECT FULL GIVEN NAME OF CHILD**

Affiants further state that the above named child as recorded on the original birth certificate is being changed to the name listed below.

**FULL GIVEN NAME OF CHILD AS IT SHOULD APPEAR ON THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Child's First Name* *Child's Middle Name* *Child's Last Name*

**SECTION THREE: PARENT(S) SIGNATURE(S) AND NOTARY PUBLIC INFORMATION**

Affiants further state that they are making this request of their own free will.

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Parent 1* *Signature of Parent 2*

\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Notary Public* *Signature of Notary Public*

Seal \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Seal \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED BEFORE A NOTARY PUBLIC**

**SUBSEQUENT CHANGES WILL REQUIRE A COURT ORDER. IF YOU HAVE A COPY OF THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE, PLEASE RETURN IT WITH THIS FORM. YOU WILL BE SENT A CORRECTED COPY. A FEE OF \$10.00 IS REQUIRED FOR ANY CHANGES ON A BIRTH CERTIFICATE IF THE PERSON IS OVER ONE YEAR OF AGE.**