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Florida Readoption

Dear Parent:

Thank you for inquiring about the readoption process in the State of Florida. Enclosed please find an Application for you to complete and return to us at **4209 Bluff Harbor Way, Wellington, FL 33449**. With this application, please send a copy of your child's foreign birth certificate and adoption decree, a copy of his/her Permanent Resident Card (or foreign passport showing the alien registration number), and a check payable to "**Patti Urban and/or Legal-Eaze**" in the amount of \$500.

Once I have received this application, I will complete the legal documents necessary for you to use to file for the change of name and re-adoption of your child. These documents include, but are not limited to:

Petition for Re-Adoption
Order for Final Hearing
Affidavit of Expenses

Verification
Final Judgment
Various Exhibits

This process will also allow you to obtain a birth certificate for your child.

Florida Circuit Courts charge a separate filing fee which varies from county to county and is payable directly to them at the time of filing. This is in addition to the fee paid to Legal-Eaze. Some counties require you to obtain a home study update (or a post placement report) to present to the Court. Please confirm with the Court before contacting your social worker.

As an adoptive mother myself, I look forward to working with you toward the joyful completion of your readoption. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time at (561) 324-9371.

Sincerely,

Legal-Eaze

International Adoption Specialists, LLC

Debra Dragunat

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Readoption Coordinator

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FLORIDA READOPTION APPLICATION

MOTHER

Full Name: _____
First Name Middle Name Last Name Maiden Name Social Security No.

Mother's Age at Birth of Child: _____ Date of Birth: _____ State of Birth: _____

Legal Residence since _____: _____
Insert date Street Address

City State Zip County Home Phone

Marital Status: Unmarried Married and living with spouse Married/living separate and apart

Prior Marriages, if any: _____
Name of Ex-Spouse Date of Marriage Date of Divorce

E-mail Address: _____ U.S. Citizen: Yes No _____
Country of Citizenship

FATHER

Full Name: _____
First Name Middle Name Last Name Social Security No.

Father's Age at Birth of Child: _____ Date of Birth: _____ State of Birth: _____

Legal Residence since _____: _____
Insert date Street Address

City State Zip County Home Phone

Marital Status: Unmarried Married and living with spouse Married/living separate and apart

Prior Marriages, if any: _____
Name of Ex-Spouse Date of Marriage Date of Divorce

E-mail Address: _____ U.S. Citizen: Yes No _____
Country of Citizenship

CHILD

Foreign Name: _____
First Middle Last Social Security No.

Interim Foreign Name: _____
(For Guatemala only) First Middle Last

New American Name: _____
First Middle Last

Date of Birth: _____ Date Child Received: _____ Date of Adoption: _____

Place of Birth: _____
City (Province) Country

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CHILD

Was child personally seen and observed by parent (if single adoption) or **both** parents (if couple adoption) prior or during the adoption proceedings? Yes No (explain)_____

Child is a citizen of: United States (give date and place of naturalization)_____ Other (please specify which country)_____

EXPENSES INCURRED IN ADOPTION

Name and Address of **Adoption Agency**: _____

Contact Person at **Adoption Agency**: _____

Fees paid to **Adoption Agency** (apart from travel): _____ \$

Estimated Amount Paid in Travel Expenses: _____ \$

Orphanage Donation: _____ \$

USCIS (INS) Expenses Incurred: _____ \$

Miscellaneous Expenses Incurred: _____ \$

Name and Address of **FL Home Study Agency** (if you'd like them to conduct your home study update; otherwise, the court will randomly assign you a social worker): _____

Name and Telephone Number of Social Worker: _____

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

Do you have any knowledge that the child or an adoptive parent is the subject of an indicated report or is another person named in an indicated report of child abuse or maltreatment or has been the subject of or the respondent in a child protective proceeding which resulted in an order finding that the child is an abused or neglected child? Yes No If yes, explain: _____

Do you have any knowledge of any criminal record concerning yourself or any other adult residing in the household? Yes No If yes, explain: _____

There is a *no* proceeding pending or contemplated in another court affecting the custody of said minor child to the best knowledge and belief of petitioner. If yes, give full details. _____

IMPORTANT: You must enclose a copy of each of the following:

Attached

- Birth Certificate Yes No
- Adoption Certificate Yes No
- Certificate of Abandonment Yes No
- Permanent Resident Card ("Green Card") Yes No
- USCIS (INS) Form I-171H Yes No
- Foreign Passport (photo page and visa page showing IR3 or IR4 visa) Yes No

Florida Judicial Court charges a separate filing fee payable by you at the time of filing. We will let you know the exact amount upon completion of your paperwork (\$200-\$400 range).

May we list you as a reference? Yes No

I (We) acknowledge and represent that neither Patti Urban or Debi Dragunat has provided me (us) with any legal service or advice. **A fee of \$500, payable to "Patti Urban and/or Legal-Eaze", must accompany this application form.** Please mail to: **Legal-Eaze, c/o Debi Dragunat, 4209 Bluff Harbor Way, Wellington, FL 33449.**

Mother's Signature Date

Father's Signature Date

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Introduction to *Legal-Eaze*

Thank you for inquiring about *Legal-Eaze* International Adoption Specialists LLC and the services we provide.

Legal-Eaze is a company I started in 1996 after working for 20 years as a paralegal. Our primary goal is to provide parents who are adopting from overseas easy access to the international adoption system by helping them help themselves. The services provided **pre-adoption** include: completing and filing immigration documents, consultation with your social worker to coordinate dossier documents, dossier preparation, vital records, dossier authentication, visas, and expedited courier service to New York City Consulates and Government Offices. The services provided **post-adoption** include: readoptions, wills, and consultation and assistance with Certificates of Citizenship, U.S. Passports, Social Security Numbers, and Return of Original Documents from USCIS (formerly INS). All post-adoption paperwork is completed under the direct supervision of the parent.

In April of 1997, my husband and I independently adopted our first daughter, Kristen Mingxia, from Yangzhou, China. In October of 1999, we returned from China with our second daughter from Yangzhou, Juliana Xiaoye. In January of 2002, I traveled alone to China to adopt our third child, Mary Kate Xiru, also from Yangzhou. And finally, in September of 2006, we brought home our son, Kevin from Shangrao, through China's Waiting Child program. As an adoptive parent myself, I can easily relate to other families in their adoption journey in addition to offering many years of experience. The costs for these high-quality services are kept low because my staff and I are not lawyers--we do not give legal advice nor do we represent you. We do, however, assist adoptive parents with the many forms they need to complete.

So, whether you are interested in the services provided by *Legal-Eaze*, or just have a question, parent-to-parent, please do not hesitate to contact us at any time at (561) 324-9371 (Florida Office), or (845) 642-2990 (NYC Office) or visit our website at www.legal-eaze.com
Sincerely,

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International Adoption Specialists LLC

Patti Urban

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President

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CONFUSED ABOUT PREPARING/AUTHENTICATING DOSSIERS FOR AN INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION?

DO YOU NEED HELP PREPARING PRE- AND POST-ADOPTION PAPERWORK?

Legal-Eaze provides courier services for VISAS and expedited courier service of paperwork to NYC CONSULATES and GOVERNMENT OFFICES such as county clerk and secretary of state.

Legal-Eaze provides international adoption DOSSIER PREPARATION, including processing of immigration paperwork and obtaining vital records, and DOSSIER AUTHENTICATION, including notarizing documents and certifying them through the appropriate County, State, Embassy/Consulate levels.

Legal-Eaze provides post adoption services by helping you prepare your own international READOPTIONS and WILLS without a lawyer. Consultation and Assistance are also available for applications for Certificates of Citizenship, U.S. Passports, Social Security Numbers, and Return of Original Documents from USCIS.

Prices* are as follows:

- *Courier Service for Visas (Each)*..... \$50 each
- *Courier Service in NYC** (same as Dossier Authentication Fees)*..... See below
- *Expedited Courier Service in NYC** (in addition to dossier authentication fees, add extra fee for Expedited/Same Day Service, per location/per visit)* \$90/visit
- *Dossier Authentication-County Clerk (minimum 6 documents or \$90)*..... \$15 each
- *Dossier Authentication-Secretary of State (minimum 6 documents or \$90)*..... \$15 each
- *Dossier Authentication-U.S. Department of State (minimum 6 documents or \$90)* \$15 each
- *Dossier Authentication-Consulate/Embassy (minimum 6 documents or \$90)*..... \$15 each
- *Dossier Preparation (for preparation of the actual documents in dossier)*..... \$75/hour
- *Readoption (CA, CT, FL, GA, NJ, NY, NC, OH, PA, SC and VA only at this time)*..... \$500
- *Social Security or U.S. Citizenship Applications*..... \$150
- *Vital Records (Birth, Marriage, Divorce Certificates)*..... \$ 90 each
- *Wills*..... \$150 each

*Prices are strictly for services provided by Legal-Eaze. Court costs, social worker fees, overnight mailings (billed at \$30 per mailing), photocopies (billed at \$.50 per copy), and/or government filing fees, etc., if any, are not included. ** This is in addition to any Dossier Authentication fees.

Legal-Eaze provides post-adoption services at low cost because **we are not lawyers and do not give legal advice**. Instead, our services are **limited** to providing quality legal form preparation and typing under the supervision of the family. In short, we help our families solve their own legal issues.

Legal-Eaze helps you better inform yourself about the laws and legal procedures that affect you. **Always consult an attorney for legal advice.**

**Patti Urban -- President
Paralegal and Notary Public**

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Adoption Support Services of Florida, Inc. is specifically designed to meet the needs of people who have a desire to build their family through adoption. **Lori Fraas**, president of **Adoption Support Services of Florida, Inc.** is your **adoptions advocate** and is dedicated to helping Florida families by providing both independent and agency home studies, pre-placement and post-placement counseling, adoption consultation and support. Many people dream of having a family. Some people have even suffered through the emotional roller coaster of infertility in trying to fulfill that dream. **Adoption Support Services of Florida, Inc.** delivers the personal attention and emotional support you need to navigate through the adoption process. It is our hope and prayer that you experience the blessing an adopted child can bring to your family.

Adoption Support Services of Florida, Inc. offers you:

- Free initial consultations and referrals
- Independent Adoption Home Studies
- Agency Home Studies
- Home Study Updates
- Post-placement services
- Pre-placement and Post-placement counseling
- Support

CONTACT US

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Adoption Support Services offers free phone consultations and would love to personally answer all of your questions about the home study process, or adoption in general over the phone. Please feel free to call us.