

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 5.307-7/15

IN RE: FILING OF CERTIFICATES OF LIVE BIRTH
IN FAMILY LAW CASES

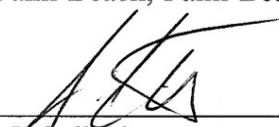
Chapter 68.07, Florida Statutes, allows the parents of a minor child to file a Petition for Change of Name. Chapter 751, Florida Statutes, allows for the filing of a Petition for Temporary Custody by Extended Family Members and a Petition for Concurrent Custody. Chapter 742, Florida Statutes, allows the mother of a child or the putative father of a child to file a Petition to Determine Paternity. The Court often deems necessary to review the Certificate of Live Birth of the minor child(ren) to make a determination and appropriate decision in these cases.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority conferred by Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, it is **ORDERED** as follows:

1. In the interest of the judicial economy and to increase the efficiency in processing time of these cases, the Court is mandating the filing of a Live Birth Certificate for any minor child(ren) involved in any Petition for Change of Name for a Minor, Petition for Temporary Custody by Extended Family Members, Petition for Concurrent Custody and Petition to Determine Paternity.
2. The Petitioner or Petitioner's attorney shall file a copy of the Live Birth Certificate for any minor child(ren) involved in these cases at the time of initiating the case.
3. In a Petition to Determine Paternity, wherein the Mother is the Respondent, the Mother or Mother's attorney shall file a copy of the Live Birth Certificate for the minor child(ren) involved in the case upon filing of an Answer.
4. The original Live Birth Certificate document will not be required unless specifically requested by the Court.
5. Pursuant to Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, Rule 2.425 any filed Live Birth Certificate for the minor child(ren) shall be deemed confidential.

6. The Clerk of the Court is directed to include appropriate instructions for filing of a Live Birth Certificate for the minor child(ren) in all self help packages affected by this administrative order.

DONE AND SIGNED in Chambers at West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida,
this 7 day of July, 2015.



Jeffrey J. Colbath
Chief Judge