FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

CONSENT TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS

What a Consent to Terminate Parental Rights means:

By signing this consent, you have told the Court that you are willing to terminate and transfer your parental rights to another person(s) for the purposes of adoption.

What a Consent to Terminate Parental Rights does NOT mean:

By signing this consent, your parental rights have NOT been terminated. This consent tells the Court you are willing to have your parental rights terminated.

Only a Judge can terminate your parental rights after a full hearing.

Because signing this Consent does not terminate your parental rights, you are still the legal parent of the child and are still responsible for the care and support of the child, including the payment of child support, if applicable.

How can I file my Consent form and related paperwork?

Forms and related papers may be filed at or mailed to the Family Court in each county. Family Court also now accepts forms and related papers by email. To file your paperwork by email, you must send all required forms to:
FC_CDN_TPR_Adoption@delaware.gov

Required Forms

- Consent to Terminate and Transfer Parental Rights (Form 140)
- Information Sheet (Form 240)

****Before filing by email, please review the Civil Filing by Email FAQ:**
https://courts.delaware.gov/family/faqs

For more information about Termination of Parental Rights, please visit the Resource Center and review the Termination of Parental Rights Instruction Packet. Information is also available at: http://courts.delaware.gov/family.

Family Court Contact Information

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For more information, visit the Family Court webpage or scan the QR code.