

**SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

In the Matter of the Application of

Index No: _____

DEAD NAME

For Leave to Assume the Name

NEW NAME

**PETITION FOR INDIVIDUAL
ADULT CHANGE OF NAME**

TO THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK:

DEAD NAME, respectfully shows to this Court the following:

1. My present name is DEAD NAME.
2. I wish to change my name to NEW NAME.
3. My present address is _____, in the County of _____r.
4. I was born on _____ and I am now ____ years of age. My birth certificate number is _____.
5. I was born in _____.
6. I am (not) a citizen of the United States of America.
7. I am single..
8. I have never been convicted of a crime.
9. I am not currently confined as an inmate in a correctional facility or currently under the supervision of the State Division of Parole, or a County Probation Department as a result for a conviction for a violent felony offense or other felony as specified in Civil Rights Law.
10. I have never declared bankruptcy.
11. There are no judgments or liens of record against me.
12. I do not have an obligations to pay child support.

13. I am not responsible for spousal support.

14. I am not a party to any legal actions, lawsuits, or legal proceedings.

15. I wish to change my name for the following reason(s):

I am transgender and have chosen a name that more fits my gender.

16. I have not made a previous application to change my name in this or any other court.

17. Because of the potential danger of physical harm I also ask that, pursuant to Civil Rights Law §64(a), the publication requirement of Civil Rights Law §§ 63 and 64 be waived, and that the record of the name change be sealed. The Court, in *In Re EP.L.*, 26 Misc 3d 336 (NY Sup Ct - QUEENS [2009]), waived publication requirements for a transgender individual without a particularized history of violence or crime against him, finding that "there exist numerous documented instances of those targeted for violence based upon their sexual orientation or gender identity," *id.*, 339; *accord*, in the *Matter of Jane Doe*, (NY Sup Ct – QUEENS, #50547/2016). Should the Court deny this request I ask, for the same reasons, that I be permitted to omit my address from the notice of publication.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully asks for an order permission to assume the name NEW NAME and for the ancillary relief listed above.

Dated: _____

DEAD NAME

VERIFICATION

DEAD NAME, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am the petitioner in the above-captioned action. I have read the petition and know the contents to be true to my own knowledge, except to those matters alleged on information and belief and as to those matters I believe them to be true.

DEAD NAME

Sworn to before me on the _____
day of _____, 20__

Notary Public

At a term of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, held in and for the County of Westchester, at Watertown, NY on _____, 20____.

Present: Hon. _____
Justice of the Supreme Court

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**ORDER FOR INDIVIDUAL
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Upon reading and filing of the petition of DEAD NAME, verified the 11th Day of September 2020, praying for leave to change DEAD NAME's name to NEW NAME, in place of this present name, and the Court being satisfied by said petition that it is true and that there is no reasonable objection to the change of name proposed.

NOW on motion of _____, Esq., it is hereby

ORDERED that the Petitioner, DEAD NAME, having been born on _____ in _____, whose Birth Certificate Number is _____, is hereby authorized to assume the name of NEW NAME in place of the present name, and it is further,

ORDERED that the Petitioner shall be known by the name of NEW NAME which NEW NAME is authorized to assume and by no other name, and that the Clerk seal the record of this proceeding and change the caption to "In the Matter of John Doe".

ENTER:

Justice of the Supreme Court