

Cause Number: _____

In the interest of (List children):

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____

In the _____
Court Number

District Court County Court of:

_____ County, Texas

Affidavit for Citation by Publication

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF _____

The person who signed this affidavit appeared, in person, before me, the undersigned notary, and stated under oath:

“My name is: _____
First Middle Last

“I am above the age of eighteen (18) years, and I am fully competent to make this affidavit.

“The facts stated in this affidavit are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

“I am the Petitioner in this case.

“The Respondent is: _____
First Middle Last

“I cannot find the Respondent.

“I do not know where the Respondent lives or works.

“I do not have a current phone number, email address or other way to contact the Respondent.

“I do not know of any location where the Respondent could be served.

“I understand that I must look really hard for the Respondent before having the Respondent served by publication.

"In order to fulfill my obligation to exercise due diligence in my search for the Respondent, I did the following:

(Check only the boxes that apply.)

- a. "I wrote to Respondent's friends and family and asked about where Respondent is.

Person Contacted

Relationship

Results

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

- b. "I tried to have the Respondent served in person or by certified mail at the Respondent's last known address or addresses.

Address

Results

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- c. "I tried to find a forwarding address for the Respondent. I mailed a letter to the Respondent at the Respondent's last known address or addresses with the words "Address Correction Requested" printed on the front of the envelope. I included my return address so the Post Office could send me the Respondent's forwarding address.

Address

Results

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

d. "I wrote Respondent's current and previous employers and asked where Respondent is.

Employers Contacted

Results

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

e. "I checked telephone directories or called telephone information in the city or cities where I think the Respondent might live.

City Directories Checked

Results

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

f. "I checked online social networks (example: Facebook).

Social Network Sites Checked

Results

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

g. "I conducted people-finder research on the internet.

Websites Researched

Results

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

h. "I searched property tax listings in the following counties.

Counties Searched

Results

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- i. "I checked to see if the Respondent was registered to vote in the following counties.

Counties Searched

Results

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- j. "I checked to see if the Respondent was incarcerated by contacting the Texas Department of Criminal Justice at www.tdcj.state.tx.us or 800-535-0283 and the following city, county, state, or federal prisons and jails.

Jails/Prisons Contacted

Results

TX Department of Criminal Justice

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- k. "I submitted a record request for the Respondent on the Department of Defense website <https://scra.dmdc.osd.mil/scra> with the following results:

- l. "I believe the Respondent may be in the military. So I contacted the following military locator services:

Military Locator Service Contacted

Results

Air Force: 210-565-2660

Navy: 866-827-5672

Marines: 800-268-3710

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- m. "I have also done the following to look for the Respondent:

"I cannot find the Respondent.

"I do not know of any other way I can learn the whereabouts of the Respondent.

"The last time I saw or heard from the Respondent was on or about: _____.
(date)

"The last time I saw or heard from the Respondent, they were in: _____.
(city, state, country)

"The Respondent was originally from: _____.
(city, state, country)

"I understand that I must continue to look for the Respondent during this case.

I understand that if I find the Respondent during this case, service by publication will not be sufficient and I must have the Respondent served in person or by certified or registered mail return receipt requested or other method of service ordered by the court.

"This affidavit is made to authorize the clerk of the above named court to issue citation for the Respondent by publication in accordance with the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure."

Your Signature (Do not sign until you are in front of a notary.)

State of Texas

County of _____

SIGNED under oath before me on _____, 20____, by

PRINT the first and last names of the person who signed this affidavit.

Notary Public, State of Texas

(Notary's seal must be included.)