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Instructions for Adoption Reunion Registry Application

WHO MAY REGISTER:

- Adopted persons 18 years of age or older, born or adopted in Maine.
- Adopted persons 18 years of age or older, whose adoptions were subsequently annulled or whose adoptive parents no longer have parental rights.
- Persons 18 years of age or older who were freed for adoption but were never subsequently adopted.
- Biological parent of an adopted person or of a person freed for adoption but not subsequently adopted.
- Adoptive parent or legal custodian or guardian of an adopted person who is under 18 years old or has been determined to be incapacitated.
- Adoptive parent of an adopted person who has died.
- Legal custodian or guardian of a person whose adoption was annulled, whose adoptive parents no longer have custody, who was freed for adoption but not subsequently adopted, or who has been determined by a court to be incapacitated.
- Full or half-sibling (age 18 or older) of an adopted person or person freed for adoption.
- Legal custodian or guardian of a person under 18 who is a full or half-sibling of an adopted person or person freed for adoption.
- Certain relatives of the biological parent of an adopted person, if that biological parent is deceased: parent/mother, parent/father, grandparent, full sibling, half sibling, aunt, uncle, cousin.

HOW TO APPLY:

- 1. Fill in all items in order to ensure accurate identification of registrants. Complete the application form that applies to you:
 - VS210A- Biological Parents and Other Relatives or Persons Acting on Their Behalf
 - VS210B- Adopted Persons or Person Acting on Adopted Person's Behalf
 - VS210C- Person Freed for Adoption but Not Subsequently Adopted or Person Acting on Adopted Person's Behalf
- 2. Sign and date the certification statement.
- 3. Attach a certified copy of your own birth certificate as verification of your identity.
- 4. If you are a full or half-sibling of an adopted person, you must provide a certified copy of your own birth certificate as documentation of your relationship to the adopted person.
- 5. If you are registering on behalf of a minor child who is a full or half-sibling of the adopted person, you must provide a certified copy of the minor's birth certificate as documentation of the relationship and a copy of the court order giving you guardianship of custody.
- 6. If you are registering as a relative of a deceased biological parent, you must also provide: a certified copy of their death certificate and documentation of your relationship to the deceased.
- 7. Mail the application and supporting documents, together with the \$50.00 registration fee, to address listed above.
- 8. All supporting documents will be returned to you after your application has been processed.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO KEEP US INFORMED OF ANY CHANGES IN ADDRESS

You may withdraw from the registry at any time by writing to the Maine CDC vital records office.