

WARNING: The Petition filed in this case asks the court to set aside the Acknowledgment of Paternity that named the legal father of the child listed below. This is a complicated area of the law. It is important that you talk to a lawyer who can explain your legal rights. Call your local lawyer referral service or the State Bar of Texas Lawyer Referral Information Service at 800-252-9690 for help finding a lawyer.

(Print court information exactly as it appears on the Petition to Challenge Acknowledgment / Denial of Paternity.)

Cause Number: _____

In the Interest of

In the _____
Court Number

_____,
(Print first, middle, and last initials of the child)

District Court County Court of:

a Child.

_____ County, Texas

Respondent's Answer

My name is: _____
First Middle Last

I am a Respondent in this case to determine the father of the children listed in the *Petition to Challenge Acknowledgment / Denial of Paternity*.

The last three numbers of my driver's license number are: ____ ____ _____. My driver's license was issued in (State) _____.

Or I do not have a driver's license number.

The last three numbers of my social security number are: ____ ____ ____.

Or I do not have a social security number.

1. Answer

This is my answer. I want to be notified of all hearings in this case.

(Check all applicable boxes.)

I **am** the genetic father of the children named in this case. I ask the Court to order that I am the legal father of the children.

I **am not** the genetic father of the children named in this case.

This case is barred because there is a court order that names the father of the child.

This case is barred because the Petitioner was not a signatory to the Acknowledgment or Denial of Paternity and this case was not filed within four years of the effective date of the Acknowledgment of Paternity.

I ask the Court to deny genetic testing and to name the presumed father the legal father of the children. The mother and the presumed father have acted as though the presumed father is the children's father. It would be unfair to disprove the father-child relationship between the children and the presumed father. It is in the children's best interest to name the presumed father the father of the children. The Court should appoint a guardian ad litem for the children.

2. Contact Information

My mailing address is: _____
Print Mailing Address City State Zip

My phone number is: _____.

(If Applicable) My fax number is: _____.

My email address is: _____.

I understand I must notify the Court, Petitioner’s attorney (or Petitioner if Petitioner does not have an attorney), and any other Respondents’ attorneys (or other Respondents if they don’t have attorneys) in writing, if my mailing address or email address changes during this case.

I understand that, unless I provide notice of changes in my mailing address or email address, all information about this case, including the date and time of hearings, will be sent to me at the mailing address or email address on this form.

3. Prayer

I ask the Court for general relief.

→ _____ Respondent’s Signature	_____ Date
_____ Respondent’s Printed Name	_____ Phone Number
_____ Mailing Address	_____ City State Zip
_____ Email Address	_____ Fax (if available)

Certificate of Service

I will deliver a copy of this document to Petitioner’s attorney (or Petitioner if Petitioner does not have an attorney) on the same day this document is filed with (turned in to) the Court as follows:

If I file this document electronically, I will deliver it through the electronic file manager if possible. If not possible, I will deliver it in person, by mail, by commercial delivery service, by fax, or by email.

If I file a paper copy of this document, I deliver it in person, by mail, by commercial delivery service, by fax, or by email.

→ _____ Respondent’s Signature	_____ Date
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