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## **COLLATERAL QUESTIONNAIRE**

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Name of person completing the form:

Date:

Your address, email address, and telephone number:

Name of Subject Parents:

Names of Subject Children:

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As you answer the questions below, please keep in mind that it is the responsibility of the court to safeguard the welfare and future development children adopted by this stepparent. You can help the court in meeting this responsibility by being objective and confining your statements to what you have personally seen. Answer each question as completely as possible. Your questionnaire will be shared with the court and you may be contacted personally to discuss your reference.

Because the court operates according to scheduled hearing dates, please send the questionnaire **as soon as possible** directly to Bradley Craig to the contact information located in the header on each page.

1. How are you related to the parent, adoptive parent, stepparent, and/or child(ren)?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. How long have you known the parent, adoptive parent, stepparent, and/or child(ren) for whom you are completing this reference and how often do you have contact?  
Date of last contact?



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5. If you have seen the adoptive parent around children, describe how each treated children that they have been around including attention to cleanliness, clothing, meals, discipline, supervision, school involvement and extracurricular activities.

6. Have you ever witnessed ANY physical or emotional abuse by either the parent, adoptive parent, or stepparent to each other, to anyone else, or their children?

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7. Based on your observations, how would you describe the stability of the marriage between the parent and stepparent?

8. Describe the strengths of the parent and stepparent as a parent.

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9. Describe the weaknesses of the parent and stepparent as a parent.

10. To your knowledge, does either the parent or stepparent have problems in any of the following areas? Please place a check by any item that you have knowledge of and provide an explanation beside, including the name of the person with the concern.

- Abuse of Alcohol
- Abuse of Drugs/Narcotics
- Medical Problems
- Psychological Problems
- Criminal Involvement
- Other

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11. Based on your knowledge of the parent and stepparent, what is their ability to provide a loving, caring and stable adoptive home for a child? Please elaborate

12. How do you believe the adoptive parents handle stressful situations?

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13. Do you believe the stepparent will love the children as if they were their own?

14. Please use this space to address any other relevant information (concerns or positive factors) that might affect the welfare or the child or children in this home.

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**SIGNATURE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE**