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§ IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
§ \_\_\_\_\_ JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
§ HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

**ADOPTION PRETRIAL CHECKLIST**

1. Is a Petitioner the Managing Conservator of the child?  **Yes**  **No**
  - a. If no, is the Managing Conservator's consent on file?  **Yes**  **No**
  
2. Has paternity been established?  **Yes**  **No**
  - a. If yes, have you filed the AOP or order establishing paternity?  **Yes**  **No**
  - b. If no, is the father the presumed father because he was married to the mother at the time of the child's birth?  **Yes**  **No** OR, have you addressed paternity and/or an unknown father in your pleadings?  **Yes**  **No**
  
3. Is this suit for both Termination and Adoption?  **Yes**  **No**
  - a. If yes –
    - i. do you have voluntary relinquishment(s) on file?  **Yes**  **No**
    - ii. do all relinquishments strictly comply with Tex. Fam. Code 161.103?  **Yes**  **No**
    - iii. do you believe you have clear & convincing evidence that parental rights should be terminated?  **Yes**  **No**
    - iv. do you have evidence that termination is in the best interest of the child?  **Yes**  **No**
  - b. If adoption only, is a Final Decree of Termination or death certificate of the parent(s) on file?  **Yes**  **No**
  
4. Is the pre-adoption social study on file?  **Yes**  **No**
  
5. Is the Interstate Compact Affidavit on file?  **Yes**  **No**
  
6. Is the person adopting the child's grandparent, aunt/uncle by birth, marriage, or prior adoption, or stepparent?  **Yes**  **No**
  - a. If no, is the Health, Social, Educational, & Genetic History Report (HSEGH) on file?  **Yes**  **No**
  - b. Has the person adopting been advised of the right to examine the HSEGH?  **Yes**  **No**
  
7. Is the criminal history of each person requesting adoption on file and less than a year old?  **Yes**  **No**
  
8. Has the child resided with the person adopting for at least 6 months?  **Yes**  **No**
  
9. Is the child being adopted 12 years or older?  **Yes**  **No**

- a. If yes, is the child's written consent on file or will the child give verbal consent?  
 **Yes**    **No**
- b. Will the child be present for the hearing?    **Yes**    **No**

10. Has the yellow form for Vital Statistics been completed and filed?    **Yes**    **No**

11. Has the Amicus filed an answer and been paid?    **Yes**    **No**

12. Has your proposed final order been filed with the Court?    **Yes**    **No**

The undersigned certify that they are ready for trial and have complied with all ORDERS of the Court.

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Attorney for Petitioner/Pro Se Petitioner

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Date

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Amicus Attorney

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