

## **CONFIDENTIAL INTERMEDIARY PROGRAM**

**W.S. 1-22-203**

### **GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING INTERMEDIARIES; WHO MAY PETITION, AND COSTS**

This is the cover letter included with the forms to be used in order to have a Confidential Intermediary appointed. The filing fee for the Clerk of Court is \$70.00 and must be in cash, certified check or money order. The petitioner should be advised that there will be additional costs to do the search:

Payment to the C.I. for searching \$150.00 minimum/search

Birth Record Release \$28.00

Other Expenses Telephone calls, postage, and any travel that may be required.

**\* All search expenses must be paid by the Petitioner.**

### **TO HAVE AN INTERMEDIARY APPOINTED YOU MUST QUALIFY UNDER THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:**

18 Years of age or older

Be an: Adult Adoptee

Adoptive Parent

Biological Parent

Biological Sibling

Biological Grandparent

The petitioner should, if at all possible file in the County in which they were adopted. If they do not know, then we suggest that they file in the County in which they reside. If you have knowledge of being adopted outside the State of Wyoming, it would be best to file in that State since Wyoming orders have limitations of authority.

If you are seeking medical background, or are trying to prove Native American Heritage, you may want to contact the Adoption Services Department of Wyoming Family Services, (307) 777-3570. They have access to Medical Records throughout the state and may be able to save you time and unnecessary expenses.

### **THIS NEW STATUTE IS NOT MEANT TO SUPERCEDE ANY OTHER ADOPTION STATUTE, IT IS IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER ADOPTION STATUTES.**

Once an order appointing confidential intermediary is signed a copy will be sent to the petitioner. The Confidential Intermediary will contact the petitioner and introduce themselves and establish the necessary dialogue for the search.

There is no guarantee of a reunion or contact with the sought after relative, even if located. Consent by that relative is strictly their choice.