

## **INTERNATIONAL RE-ADOPTIONS**

### **I. PETITION OF FOREIGN ADOPTION**

- A. Attorney provides:
- \* Petition of Foreign Adoption (Form ADPFA) using full legal names, no initials and pays court costs.
  - \* Original (will be returned) and 2 copies of Birth Certificate and Final Decree of Adoption from foreign country, with translation and certification of translation, along with child's green card or certification of citizenship
  - \* ODH Vital Statistics Certificate of Adoption (Form HEA 2757)

### **II. FINAL HEARING**

- A. Petitioners and child must appear.
- B. Court provides:
- \* Notice of Final hearing (Form 20.11A)
  - \* Adoption Certificate for Parents (Form 18.8)
  - \* Final Decree of Foreign Adoption (Form ADJEOFA)
- C. Court forwards documents to State Bureau of Vital Statistics for Ohio birth record.
- D. Petitioner to wait at least 30 days after the final hearing to order the new birth certificate, following the instructions provided in the packet at the final hearing.