

# **INTERNATIONAL RE-ADOPTIONS**

## **PETITION OF FOREIGN ADOPTION**

1. Attorney files Petition of Foreign Adoption (Form ADPFA) using full legal names, no initials and pays court costs.
2. Attorney provides:
  - \* Original and 2 copies of Birth Certificate and Final Decree of Adoption from foreign country with translation and certification of translation. Originals will be returned.
  - \* ODH Vital Statistics, Certificate of Adoption (Form HEA 2757) filled out as of the date of birth of the child. This will create the Ohio Birth Record.

## **FINAL HEARING**

1. Petitioner(s) and child must appear
2. Court provides:
  - \* Notice of Final Hearing (Form 20.11A)
  - \* Adoption Certificate for Parents (Form 18.8)
  - \* Final Decree of Adoption (Form ADJEOFA)
3. Court forwards documents to State Bureau of Vital Statistics for Ohio birth record.