

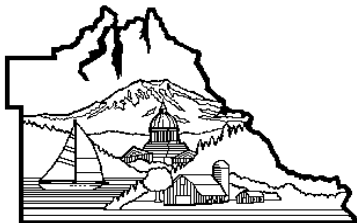
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**AGREED
NON-PARENT
CUSTODY**

4-1A

*✓ You need a Custody Order for a Child Who is Not
Your Own*

*✓ You have the Agreement of Both Parents
(Does not include Child Support)*



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**HOW TO FILE AN
AGREED NON-PARENT CUSTODY ACTION**
(Third Party Custody)

CHECKLIST

Use the forms and instructions in this packet only if the following factors apply to your situation:

- ✓ You need a Custody Order for a Child Who is Not Your Own and you have the agreement of **BOTH PARENTS**

Or

- ✓ You have the agreement of the only known living parent;
- ✓ AND
- ✓ You are not requesting child support or restraining orders from the parents.

(If you and the parents are NOT in agreement as to the terms of this action, or if you need the Court to award child support payments to you from the parents, you should not use this packet. Please refer back to the self-help center for packet 4-1) .

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

If you are seeking custody of a child who is or may be an Indian child as defined by the Indian Child Welfare Act, 25 USC § 1903, notice of this action must be given in accordance with 25 U.S.C. § 1912 (a). Please review additional packet on "Indian Child Welfare Notice."

READ ME: It is very important for you to know that when you sign a court document, you may be helping or hurting your court case. Before you sign any court document or get involved with a court case, it is important that you carefully read the document to make sure you are doing the right thing. You may also want to contact a lawyer for legal advice and help with those issues you do not understand. The Self-Service Center has a list of local attorneys who can give you legal advice and who can help you on a task-by-task basis for a fee. If you need help with the forms, procedures and rules of the court, there is a Family Court Facilitator available to assist you.