

AFFIDAVIT OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER

Required Addendum for Foster Care and Adoption Applicants

State of Florida

County of _____

Before me this day personally appeared ______ who, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am an applicant for foster care or adoption:

By signing this form, I am swearing that I have not been convicted of any of the following offenses identified by the Federal Adoptions and Safe Family Act and Section 435.045, Florida Statutes, as prohibitive for persons wishing to provide foster care or adopt a child subject to a placement decision pursuant to Chapter 39, Florida Statutes. I understand this affidavit applies to the Florida Statutes or any similar statute of another jurisdiction.

I understand I must acknowledge the existence of any criminal records relating to the following list regardless of whether or not those records have been sealed or expunged. I understand that I am also obligated to notify the Department of Children and Families or the Community-Based Care Provider of any possible disqualifying offenses that may occur pending the finalization of an adoption or while licensed to provide foster care.

I understand that approval shall **NEVER** be granted when a record check reveals a felony conviction for:

Child abuse, abandonment or neglect, Spousal abuse, A crime against children, including child pornography, A crime involving violence, including rape, sexual assault, or homicide, BUT not including other physical assault or battery, if the Department finds that the felony was committed at ANY time.

I understand that approval shall **NOT** be granted when a record check reveals a felony conviction for:

Physical assault, Battery, or a Drug-related offense, if the Department finds that a court of competent jurisdiction has determined that the felony was committed within the past 5 years.

Under the penalty of perjury, which is a first degree misdemeanor, punishable by a definite term of imprisonment, not exceeding one year and/or a fine not exceeding \$1,000 pursuant to ss.837.012, or 775.082, or 775.083, Florida Statutes, I attest that I have read the foregoing, and I am eligible to meet the standards of good character for foster care or adoptions.

Signature of Affiant

OR

To the best of my knowledge and belief, my record may contain one or more of the foregoing disqualifying acts or offenses.

Signature of Affiant

MY COMISSION EXPIRES NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA

My signature, as a Notary Public, verifies the affiant's identification has been validated by