SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF VENTURA
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FORMS:	**STEPPARENT ADOPTION**
Last Revision Date	February 18, 2026
Purpose	These forms are used for a stepparent to adopt the child of their spouse or domestic partner.
Required Forms	You can access the forms by clicking on the highlighted form number below. • Stepparent Adoption Request: ADOPT-203 • Indian Child Inquiry Attachment: ICWA-010(A • Parental Notification of Indian Status: ICWA-020 • Adoption Agreement: ADOPT-210 • Adoption Order: ADOPT-215 Additional Forms for Stepparent Adoption to Confirm Parentage: • Declaration Confirming Parentage in Stepparent Adoption: ADOPT-205 (or an equivalent declaration) ***or*** • Declaration Confirmation Parentage in Stepparent Adoption: Gestational Surrogacy: ADOPT-206 (or an equivalent declaration)
Filing Fee	There is a filing fee due at filing. To apply for a fee waiver, you will need to prepare and file: • Request to Waiver Court Fees: FW-001 • Order on Court Fee Waiver: FW-003
Online Form Preparation Program	There is not an online form preparation program available at this time. Please contact the Self-Help Legal Access Center for assistance.
Resources & Guides	• Stepparent adoption in California | California Courts | Self Help Guide • How to Adopt a Child in California ADOPT-050-INFO • Ventura County Human Services Agency, Children & Family Services (805) 850-8518
Assistance	Parties without an attorney may receive help from the Self-Help Legal Access Center (Civil Self-Help Center). To request help: • Complete an intake here: Self-Help Legal Access Center Intake • Contact us by phone or make an appointment. For contact information, click here: SHLAC Flyer [Español]