



Personal Reference Instructions

Congratulations!!! You have a friend or family member who loves you so much that they would like to use you as a personal reference for their adoption! How special!! So here is what you need to do. Create a letter talking about your friend/family.

In order to make it easier, here are some questions we would love for you to answer. After the letter is complete, sign it, scan it, and save it as a pdf. Then all you need to do is send us an email and attach the letter. In the subject line please put “family name reference” (ie: Smith reference). Email it to christen@adoptionssupportservices.com

Thank you for taking the time to be a part of this adoption experience!!!

Questions for your references:

- 1. How long have you known this couple/person and what is your relationship to them (i.e. co-worker, neighbor, etc.)?**
- 2. How do you see their maturity level, emotional stability, mental health, self-image, ability to accept responsibility, and the handling of their feelings such as frustration or anger?**
- 3. How is their marriage? Is it a close marital relationship? Do each really want to be parents or parent another child? How would you describe their relationship?**
- 4. How would you describe this couple's/person's parenting? Are they affectionate, nurturing parents? Are their expectations of their children appropriate for the child's age level? What is their discipline like? Have you ever seen discipline that you thought too harsh?**
- 5. How do you see their health? Are you aware of any misuse of alcohol or drugs?**
- 6. What do you think is their best quality pertaining to being adoptive parents? What might be their limitations?**
- 7. Do you have any reservation about recommending this couple to adopt a child or children?**
- 8. Provide any additional information that you might feel as helpful to getting to know this couple.**

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