# ADULT NAME CHANGE A GUIDE

## **COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FORM:**

1. Ontario Application to Change an Adult's Name

You must have lived in Ontario for at least 12 months immediately before applying for this name change. You will need a guarantor who can confirm you meet this residency requirement.



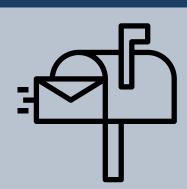
## **DOCUMENT CHECKLIST:**



- For everyone born in Canada: Birth Certificate
  - Send in all previously issued copies of your birth certificate and/or certified birth registration. This is sometimes called a long form birth certificate.
- If you have changed your name previously
  - Any previous change orders or certificates
- If you have prior criminal convictions
  - A police record check

### **OPTIONAL: COMPLETE THIS FORM**

1. Request for non-Publication in the Ontario Gazette



## SEND PAPERWORK BY **MAIL TO:**

Office of the Registrar General 189 Red River Road, PO Box 3000 Thunder Bay, Ontario P7B 5W0

#### WAIT FOR PAPERWORK

Wait 6-8 weeks processing time.

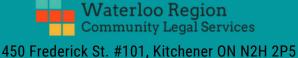


## IF YOUR NAME CHANGE IS **APPROVED, YOU WILL RECEIVE** THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

- Name change certificate: A legal document showing your old name and new name
- If you were born in Ontario, you will also receive a new birth certificate
- If you were born in Canada, but outside Ontario, you must contact your home province if you want an updated birth certificate
- You do not need an updated birth certificate to change your other IDs. Getting a new birth certificate is a personal choice.



Get **free** legal advice regarding how to complete the adult name change process. Contact us at:



Phone: 519-743-0254 or Online Contact Form found at: www.wrcls.ca







