

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF VENTURA
Self-Help Legal Access Center (SHLAC)



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FORMS	PETITION FOR RECOGNITION OF MINOR'S CHANGE OF GENDER AND SEX IDENTIFIER FOR ISSUANCE OF NEW BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND CHANGE OF NAME
Revision Date	July 29, 2026
Purpose	These forms are used to ask for a court order recognizing a minor's Gender/Sex Identifier and Name Change
Required Forms	You can access the forms by clicking on the highlighted form number below. • Civil Case Cover Sheet: CM-010 • Petition for Recognition of Minor's Change of Gender and Sex Identifier and for Issuance of New Birth Certificate and Change of Name: NC-500 • Order Recognizing Minor's Change of Gender and Sex Identifier and for Issuance of New Birth Certificate: NC-530 • Order to Show Cause – Recognition of Minor's Change of Gender and issuance of New Birth Certificate: NC-520 ➤ <i>Only use form NC-520 if:</i> • The Petition seeks a decree changing the minor child's name, OR • The Petition is not signed by all living parents of the minor child, OR • The Petition is filed by a guardian or attorney for the minor child, and all the minor child's parents are deceased or cannot be located. • Proof of Service of Order to Show Cause: NC-121 ➤ <i>Only if filing to change the name of a minor child and only one parent signed the forms</i> • Declaration of Guardian or Juvenile Attorney: NC-510G ➤ <i>Only use form NC-510G if you are the guardian or minor child's attorney filing the petition.</i>
Filing Fee	There is a filing fee due at filing. To apply for a fee waiver, 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. Please contact the Self-Help Centers for assistance.
Resources & Guides	• Gender Recognition Wayfinder California Courts Self Help Guide • Information Sheet on NC-500-INFO Instructions for Filing Petition for Recognition of Minor's Change of Gender and Sex Identifier (ca.gov)
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]