

# OVERVIEW OF A PETITION TO ESTABLISH PARENTAGE

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**Prepare the Petition & Summons  
(For unmarried parents)**

**Fill out the Petition to Establish the Parentage of the Minor Child  
(FL-200, FL-210 & FL-105, Cert. of Assignment)**

**File your forms at the Court**

**Serve the Respondent  
(The filed FL-200, FL-210 & FL-105, Cert. of Assignment & Blank FL-220)**

**File the Proof of Service at the Court  
(FL-115)**

**The Respondent has (30) days to file a Response**

**The Respondent did not file a Response  
Fill out and file the Default Paperwork  
(FL-165)**

**The Respondent files a Response  
(FL-220)  
File an At Issue Memorandum  
(Local form SB-12389)**

**Settlement: Stipulated Judgment  
(FL-235) OR Go to TRIAL**

**Caution:  
Your case is not automatically over once the Parentage is established or you obtain custody orders. You must file all the paperwork**

**Complete and File Judgment – (FL-250, FL-230 & FL-190)  
Judgment signed by the Judicial Officer and Entered**

**It is important to understand that there are no orders until the final judgment is entered. If you have an emergency or if you need orders before the judgment is entered, you can file a Request for Order (FL-300). This is a separate procedure.**