

In the Iowa Supreme Court

**In the Matter of Establishing Iowa
Court Rule 17.40 Forms Relating
to Petitions for Change of Name**

Order

The Iowa Supreme Court adopts new Iowa Court Rule 17.40 and updated forms for change of name, including new form 17.40–Form 13: Combined Petition for Change of Name of Adult and Minor Child or Children.

The new combined petition and updated Petition for Change of Name of Adult (Rule 17.40–Form 11), Petition for Change of Name of Minor Child or Children (Rule 17.40–Form 12), and Protected Information Disclosure (Rule 17.40–Form 14) will be listed in the Iowa Court Rules as Rule 17.40 requiring self-represented litigants to use these forms. Attorneys may also use these forms.

Iowa Court Rule 17.40 is effective immediately and is provided with this order. Rule 17.40—Form 11: Petition for Change of Name of Adult; Rule 17.40—Form 12: Petition for Change of Name of Minor Child or Children; Rule 17.40—Form 13: Combined Petition for Change of Name of Adult and Minor Child or Children; and Rule 17.40–Form 14: Protected Information Disclosure are also provided with this order and will be available on the Iowa Judicial Branch website in a .pdf fillable and savable format.

The change of name forms previously available on the Iowa Judicial Branch website remain in effect in the event a party does not use the forms updated with this order.

Dated this 25th day of September, 2026.

The Iowa Supreme Court



By: _____
Susan Larson Christensen, Chief Justice

CHAPTER 17

FORMS FOR SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANTS

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Rule 17.1 Use of forms; mandatory for self-represented litigants

Rules 17.2 to 17.9 Reserved

Rule 17.10 Forms for relief of domestic abuse

Rules 17.11 to 17.19 Reserved

Rule 17.20 Forms for relief from elder abuse

Rules 17.21 to 17.29 Reserved

Rule 17.30 Forms for relief from sexual abuse

Rules 17.31 to 17.99 Reserved

Rule 17.40 Forms for change of name

Rules 17.41 to 17.49 Reserved

Rule 17.100 Family law forms for dissolution of marriage with no minor or dependent adult children

Rules 17.101 to 17.199 Reserved

Rule 17.200 Family law forms for dissolution of marriage with dependent children

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Rule 17.300 Forms for modifying child support

Rules 17.301 to 17.399 Reserved

Rule 17.400 Child custody and visitation forms for unmarried parents

Rules 17.401 to 17.499 Reserved

CHAPTER 17

FORMS FOR SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANTS

Rule 17.1 Use of forms; mandatory for self-represented litigants. Persons without attorney representation in legal actions covered under this chapter must use the forms listed in this chapter and available on the Iowa Judicial Branch website at: www.iowacourts.gov. Attorneys may use these forms but are not required to do so.

[Court Order May 16, 2007; December 19, 2013; November 7, 2022, effective December 1, 2022; July 19, 2024]

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Rule 17.40 Forms for Change of Name. Persons without attorney representation seeking a change of name must use the forms listed in this rule. The forms are available on the Iowa Judicial Branch website at: www.iowacourts.gov.

Form 11: Petition for Change of Name of Adult

Form 12: Petition for Change of Name of Minor Child or Children

Form 13: Combined Petition for Change of Name of Adult and Minor Child or Children

Form 14: Protected Information Disclosure