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# 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court for the County of Macomb

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT REGARDING FEES

The undersigned does acknowledge that they are aware that except for charges and fees approved by the court, a person shall not pay or give, offer to pay or give, or request, receive, or accept any money or other consideration or thing of value, directly or indirectly in connection with an adoption. An adoption includes placing a child for adoption, registering the existence of a child available for adoption, a parent releasing his or her parental rights or a parent consenting to an adoption. (MCL 710.54(1))

A petitioner, child placing agency assisting a petitioner, an attorney representing a petitioner, and a parent must disclose any money or other consideration exchanged or received directly or indirectly in an adoption proceeding. (MCL 710.54) Contingent fees are not allowed in adoption cases. (MCL 710.54(6))

The Court must approve or disapprove any and all fees and/or expenses related to an adoption proceeding. The Court will determine whether or not any such fees are authorized by statute and are reasonable. (MCL 710.54(10))

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Agency Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Attorney Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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