

Filing a Name Change in Knox County, TN

If you are not represented by an attorney, you must appear in person at the Chancery Court, located at 400 W. Main Street, Suite 125, Knoxville, TN 37902. A kiosk at the front desk is available to generate the necessary court documents for your filing. For name changes involving a minor (under 18 years of age), both parents should be present at the time of filing.

Once you have filed your paperwork, a clerk will contact you via email within approximately 10 days to provide your court date.

Below is a list of documents required at the time of submission:

Petitioners 18 and Over:

- Filing fee - \$237 (no personal checks; 2.5% service fee if using a card)
- Certified Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
- Driver's License** or State ID** with Knox County, TN Address
- Passport if Petitioner has one (even if expired)
- If Married, Marriage Certificate
- If Divorced, Divorce Decree

Minors (under 18):

- Filing fee - \$237 (no personal checks; 2.5% service fee if using a card)
- Certified Birth Certificates (minors and BOTH parents)
- Social Security Cards (minors and BOTH parents)
- Need Driver's Licenses** or State IDs** (BOTH parents and minor (if applicable) with Knox County, TN address)
- Passports if minor and/or parents have one (even if expired)
- If parents are Married, need Marriage Certificate
- If parents are Divorced, need Divorce Decree

****If Driver's License or State ID does not show current address, a utility bill, bank statement, or something of that nature must also be provided with Petitioner's name and correct address.**