

Ohio Revised Code

Section 3107.45 Access to adoption records additional definitions.

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As used in sections 3107.45 to 3107.53 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Adopted person" means a person who, as a minor, was adopted and who, on or after September 18, 1996, became available or potentially available for adoption. For the purpose of this division, a person was available or potentially available for adoption on or after September 18, 1996, if, on or after that date, either of the following occurred:

- (1) At least one of the person's birth parents executed consent to the person's adoption.
- (2) A probate court entered a finding that the consent of at least one of the person's birth parents to the person's adoption was not needed as determined pursuant to section 3107.07 of the Revised Code.
- (B) "Adoption file" means the file maintained by the department of health under sections 3705.12 to 3705.124 of the Revised Code.
- (C) "Adoptive parent" means a person who adopted an adopted person.
- (D) "Authorization of release form" means the form prescribed under division (A)(2) of section 3107.50 of the Revised Code.
- (E) "Birth parent" means the biological parent of an adopted person.
- (F) "Birth sibling" means a biological sibling of an adopted person.
- (G) "Denial of release form" means either of the following:
- (1) The component of the form prescribed under division (A)(1)(b) of section 3107.083 if the birth



parent checked the "no" space provided on that component.

- (2) The form prescribed under division (A)(1) of section 3107.50 of the Revised Code.
- (H) "Effective denial of release form" means a denial of release form that has not been rescinded by an authorization of release form pursuant to division (B) of section 3107.46 of the Revised Code.
- (I) "Final decree of adoption" includes an interlocutory order of adoption that has become final.
- (J) "Identifying information" has the same meaning as in section 3107.01 of the Revised Code.
- (K) "Items of identification" include a motor vehicle driver's or commercial driver's license, an identification card issued under sections 4507.50 to 4507.52 of the Revised Code, a marriage application, a social security card, a credit card, a military identification card, or an employee identification card.