

AFFIDAVIT OF COMMON LAW NAME CHANGE

IN RE PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME GRANNIS, Tenn: Court of Appeals 2004 provides:

In Tennessee (as in most other states), a person may change his or her name **at will without court action** by simply adopting and using a new name, "as long as the change does not interfere with another's rights and is not being made for fraudulent purposes." In re Lackey, No. 01-A-01-9010-PB00358, 1991 WL 45394 (Tenn. Ct. App., April 5, 1991) (no Tenn. R. App. P. 11 application filed), citing Dunn v. Palermo, 522 S.W.2d 679, 682 (Tenn. 1975).

STATE OF Tennessee

ss.}

COUNTY OF _____

_____, previously known as _____, being duly sworn, makes oath as follows:

1. I am currently ___ years of age, I was born on the ___ day of _____, _____

2. My birth records and other legal documents have the name(s) of:

3. I have since changed my name to _____ **at will** under the Common law.

4. I have not changed my name for any fraudulent purpose or to avoid criminal prosecution.

5. I am making this Affidavit in order to aid appropriate agencies in correcting or adjusting my records.

Current Signature in new name

Previous signature in old name

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

[notary's signature & seal]

My commission expires: _____