

No.

In the matter of the  
Petition of Thos. W. Shep-  
herd.

Petition

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JAN 23 1908

John C. Taylor  
Clerk in and out of Court

State of Indiana,  
SS:  
Hendricks County.

In the Hendricks Circuit Court,  
January term, 1908.

In the matter of Petition  
of Thomas H. Shepherd and  
Mary A. Shepherd for the  
adoption of Beulah A. Baker.

The undersigned petitioners would respectfully show to  
the Court that their names are Thomas H. Shepherd and Mary A.  
Shepherd respectively and that they are husband and wife and that  
they now reside in Brown Township, in the County of Hendricks and  
State of Indiana.

Said petitioners further say that they hereby petition  
the Court for the purpose of the said Thomas H. Shepherd and Mary  
A. Shepherd his wife adopting one Beulah A. Baker, a minor child  
who was born on the 8th day of January, 1902, and that she is a  
Grand-child of the petitioners herein, and that her mother Zelma  
was  
V. Baker, our Daughter and that she died in the year 1903 and that  
her husband John H. Baker, the Father of of the said Beulah A.  
Baker died in the year 1907 leaving the said Beulah A. Baker  
without any parents and without any property, either real or per-  
as we are informed  
sonal, and that the said Beulah A. Baker has made her home with  
us since the death of her Father and that we the petitioners and  
are husband and wife having been married on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of  
December in the year 1877, and that it is the



desire of both of said petitioners herein that the said Beulah A. Baker be adopted as the heir at law of the said petitioners.

Wherefore these petitioners ask the court that the said Thomas A. Shepherd and Mary A. Shepherd be allowed by the court to adopt the said Beulah A. Baker as their heir at law and that the name of said Beulah A. Baker be changed to that of Beulah A. Shepherd.

Subscribed and sworn to  
before me this 22 day  
of January, 1908.

My commission expires

Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 1911

*Thomas H. Shepherd*  
*Mary A. Shepherd*

*Emmett Repass, J.P.*  
Notary Public.



No.

In the matter of the  
Adoption of Beulah  
A. Bakers

Decree

Approved & Ordered  
Jos. L. Clark  
Judge.

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Clerk of the Court  
C. C.



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Comes now Thomas H. Shepherd and Mary A. Shepherd and  
file their petition for the adoption of Beulah A. Baker as their  
heir at law, which petition is as follows, to-wit: (Her copy petition in full). And the court having seen and inspected the petition and having heard the evidence and being fully advised and informed in the premises finds for the petitioners and finds that the allegations of the said petition are true, and that it is for the best interests for the said Beulah A. Baker to be adopted by the said Thomas H. Shepherd and Mary A. Shepherd his wife.

It is therefore, ordered and adjudged by the court that the said Beulah A. Baker be and she is hereby adopted by the said Thomas H. Shepherd and Mary A. Shepherd his wife as full heir at law and it is further ordered and adjudged that the name of the said Beulah A. Baker be and the same is hereby changed to Beulah A. Shepherd.

It is further ordered and adjudged by the court that the petitioners pay the costs of this proceedings.