PETITION TO DISESTABLISH PATERNITY AND/OR TERMINATE CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATION

THIS FORM SHOULD BE USED BY A <u>MAN</u> WHO WISHES TO DISESTABLISH PARTERNITY OR TERMINATE A CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATION BECAUSE HE IS NOT THE BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF THE CHILD(REN)

- 12.928 Cover Sheet for Family Court Cases
- 12.900 (h) Notice of Related Cases
- 12.951 (a) Petition to Disestablish Paternity and/or Terminate Child Support Obligation
- 12.951 (b) Order Disestablishing Paternity and/or Terminating Child Support Obligation

The above-referenced forms can be obtained on the Internet at <u>www.flcourts.org</u> – Self Help - Family Law Forms or purchased from the Clerk's office.

- 1. Prepare paperwork.
- 2. File with Clerk.
- 3. If no agreement or if answer has not been filed, ask Clerk to prepare summons and attach copies of paperwork.
- 4. Sheriff to serve.
- 5. The respondent has 20 days from the date of service to answer your petition.
- 6. When the respondent answers, petitioner files a Motion to Set Hearing and a final hearing will be set.
- 7. If the respondent does not answer your petition after 20 days from the date of service you may file a Motion for Default (form 12.922 (a) and (b) with the Family Law clerk. After default is granted, petitioner files a Motion to Set Hearing and a final hearing will be set.