

**59-2122. Files and records of adoption.** (a) The files and records of the court in adoption proceedings shall not be open to inspection or copy by persons other than the parties in interest and their attorneys, representatives of the Kansas department for children and families, and the commission on judicial performance in the discharge of the commission's duties pursuant to article 32 of chapter 20 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, except upon an order of the court expressly permitting the same. As used in this section, "parties in interest" shall not include genetic parents once a decree of adoption is entered.

(b) The Kansas department for children and families may contact the adoptive parents of the minor child or the adopted adult at the request of the genetic parents in the event of a health or medical need. The Kansas department for children and families may contact the adopted adult at the request of the genetic parents for any reason. Identifying information shall not be shared with the genetic parents without the permission of the adoptive parents of the minor child or the adopted adult. The Kansas department for children and families may contact the genetic parents at the request of the adoptive parents of the minor child or the adopted adult in the event of a health or medical need. The Kansas department for children and families may contact the genetic parents at the request of the adopted adult for any reason.

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