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(~~de~~) I recognize that I may be subject to contempt of court sanctions and dismissal by the court if I permit the release of confidential information without authorization.”.

(4) A confidential intermediary shall make a reasonable search for an individual whose identity is sought by a petitioner under this section. The confidential intermediary shall first search the court records. If it is necessary to obtain information from the Department of Health and Human Services, the confidential intermediary shall obtain a certified copy of the order of appointment from the Department of Health and Human Services before requesting the records. If the confidential intermediary locates the individual being sought, the confidential intermediary shall discreetly and confidentially contact the individual to ascertain whether the individual is willing to release information to the ~~petitioner or to~~ meet or communicate with the petitioner. ~~If the individual consents in writing to the release of information, the intermediary shall release the information to the petitioner.~~ Upon the mutual written consent of the petitioner and the individual, the intermediary may facilitate a meeting or other communication between the petitioner and the individual. ~~If the individual refuses to authorize the release of information sought by the petitioner, the intermediary shall report the refusal to the petitioner and the court.~~ If an individual sought under this section is deceased, the

intermediary shall report that fact to the petitioner and the court.

(5) Except for a reasonable fee approved by the court and reimbursement for actual expenses incurred in performing services, a confidential intermediary shall not request or accept any money or other thing of value for serving as a confidential intermediary.

~~(6) If a confidential intermediary appointed under this section has failed to contact a former family member within 6 months after his or her appointment, the adult adoptee may petition the court for release of information described in section 27(3) and any additional information obtained by the confidential intermediary. Before a hearing on the petition, the confidential intermediary shall submit a written report to the court describing all efforts made to locate the former family member and all information obtained. After the hearing, the court shall do 1 of the following:~~

~~—(a) Order the confidential intermediary to search for another 6-month period.~~

~~—(b) Appoint a new confidential intermediary to search for a 6-month period.~~

~~—(c) Release to the adult adoptee the identifying information described in section 27(3) and any other information that the court considers appropriate, if the court finds that a diligent search has been made and that there is good cause to release the information. The court's finding shall be made on the record.~~