

SIERRA LEONE DOCUMENTS TO PROVIDE TO FRC (NON-HAGUE ADOPTION)

Please scan documents in pdf format. Ensure each document is clear and no part of the document is cut off. All documents must be legible to be submitted to immigration.

*It is your duty to ensure all information provided is accurate and complete including marital history, children, prior residences (US and abroad), arrests (including expunged), and other relevant details. Once finalized, your Home Study will be submitted with your I-600/I-600A. Immigration will review it alongside your N-400 (Naturalization), and any inconsistencies may lead to delays or denial. *

Evidence for Prospective Adoptive Parent(s)	
	Proof of US Citizenship (If US citizen by birth, submit copy of birth certificate or US Passport; If born
	outside of US, submit Certificate of Naturalization, US Permanent Resident Card)
	Copy of Marriage Certificate (if applicable)
	Copy of all Divorce Decrees and Death Certificates of prior spouses (if applicable)
Adoption Documents – Note: Submit all adoption documents. All listed may not be applicable to your case.	
	Application/notification intent to adopt to Ministry (stamped and dated) and Ministry Approval
	Original Birth Certificate or Record of Birth of child born in orphanage/medical facility
	Biological parents' consent for adoption and information regarding Biological Father
	Police district report (Supervision Order-Care or Protection)
	All orphanage records (from Intake report date to Foster/Lifting date)
	All communications letters written between orphanage, Ministry, and court
	Foster care documents (Ministry letter of attestation approval for foster care)
	Background Study on child (social welfare investigation report conducted in country by the Ministry)
	Court Affidavit in Support (if applicable)
	Originating Court Summons
	Adoption Order – court order of finalization
	Consent for emigration (allowing child to leave country) May be included in Adoption Order
	Certificate of Adoption Registration (issued after adoption finalized date)
	Post-adoption birth certificate issued after adoption finalized listing you as parents
	Confirmation of adoption (all procedures were followed)
	Child Health Records (copies of all initial and subsequent records)
Travel	
	Documentation of all travel dates to child's country from time of application to Ministry to present, with
	copies of passport entry/exit stamps and/or travel documents
	Proof of presence in court adoption finalization - travel docs/passport face page + stamps
	(proof 6-month period is waived may be included in Adoption Order)
Additional Documents Applicable to Relative or Known Parent Adoptions	
	Original birth certificate listing biological parent(s)
	Earliest child records (medical/school records that include name, birthdate, and name of biological parents)
	Death certificate of biological parent(s) (copies of funeral bulletin, obituary, and/or church burial records if available)
	If there is one surviving parent, consent of biological parent and proof of incapability of care
Fees / Other	
	Receipts for adoption related fees paid in-country (attorney, orphanage, Ministry, court, etc.)
	Child Passport (If you do not have your child's passport, please start the process of obtaining it.)