

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING JUDGMENT OF EMANCIPATION

## HEADING:

- a. Choose the county in the drop down box below the first blank. This is where you are filing the Petition. **This must be the county in which you are living.**
- b. Enter your name. You are the petitioner.
- c. The clerk of the district court will give you a case number when you file the Petition. You must include the case number on any papers you file.

a. IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, NEBRASKA  
(county where Petition filed) Choose the county

b. IN RE EMANCIPATION OF: \_\_\_\_\_  
(your name) Petitioner.

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(case number assigned by clerk of the court)

**JUDGMENT OF EMANCIPATION**

## BODY OF DECREE

**ONLY COMPLETE THE ITEMS LISTED. THE JUDGE WILL COMPLETE ALL OTHER ENTRIES.**

The first paragraph does not have a number:

- a. Enter the date of your final court hearing.

a. On \_\_\_\_\_, this matter comes before the court on  
 the Petition for Judgment of Emancipation.

The numbers below gives instructions for completing the paragraph with the same number on the judgment.

Paragraph 2:

- b. Enter your age.
- c. Check the box for either married, living apart from their parent(s) or legal guardian(s), or both.
- d. Enter the name of the county you live in.
- e. Check the box for either The petitioner is able to support himself or herself without financial assistance **or** The petitioner does not have a parent, a legal guardian, or a custodian who is providing support

2.

- The petitioner is 16 years of age or older. Age: \_\_\_\_\_ b.
- The petitioner is  married.  living apart from his or her parent(s) or legal guardian(s). c.
- The petitioner is living apart from his or her parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) voluntarily.
- The petitioner is legal resident of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Nebraska. d.
- The petitioner is filing this petition as a free and voluntary act.
- The petitioner is able to support himself or herself without financial assistance.
- **OR**
- The petitioner does not have a parent, a legal guardian, or a custodian who is providing support. e.
- The petitioner is mature, knowledgeable, and able to manage his or her affairs without the guidance of a parent or legal guardian.
- The petitioner has demonstrated the ability and commitment to obtain and maintain education, vocational training, or employment.

Paragraph 3:

- f. Check the box indicating if your parent(s)/legal guardian(s)/nearest relative and legal custodian were served with the Notice of Filing, Summons, and a copy of the Verified Petition for Emancipation **or** that the Legal Notice of Petition for Emancipation was published in a newspaper.
  - i. If it was published in a newspaper, enter the name of the newspaper.

3.  The  parent(s)  legal guardian(s)  nearest relative  legal custodian was/were served with the Notice of Filing, Summons, and a copy of the Petition for Judgment of Emancipation in accordance with [Neb. Rev. Stat. § 25-505.01](#).

**OR**

i.  The Legal Notice for Petition for Judgment of Emancipation was published in the , pursuant to [Neb. Rev. Stat. § 25-519](#).

**DO NOT COMPLETE ANYTHING ELSE.**

**FINAL SIGNATURE**

If the court approves the Judgment of Emancipation, the **judge will date and sign the judgment.**

***The judgment must be filed with the clerk of the court before it can be finalized.*** You should check with the clerk's office after the final hearing to update or provide any information necessary.