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The information in this website is generally intended to refer to the rights of individuals in private and agency-assisted adoptions, and does not refer to situations involving adoptions that go through the child welfare system and Juvenile Court. For birth parents who are considering adoption who have cases pending in Juvenile Court, while much of the information contained in this document is still applicable, these birth parents should seek the assistance of their assigned caseworkers and their attorneys.