

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

County of Spartanburg.

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WHEREAS, we, - Willard Helm and Evelyn Harvey, unmarried, are the natural parents of a certain unnamed male child born to us at the Spartanburg General Hospital on March 16th, 1953, desire to adopt and grant the custody, care and control of the said child to Otha Denver Smith and Annie Mae Smith, a married but childless couple, and they have agreed to and desire to so adopt the said child, with full rights of inheritance, now, therefore, in consideration of the said agreement and considering the future welfare of the said child, we, the said Willard Helm and Evelyn Harvey, parents of the said unnamed child, do now and hereby grant, give, transfer and release unto the said Otha Denver Smith and Annie Mae Smith the full, absolute and complete custody, control, management, rearing and care of the said child, with the right to give to the said child the name of Otha Denver Smith, Junior (and by which name the said child shall hereafter be known), and agree not to molest, interfere with or hinder the said Otha Denver Smith and Annie Mae Smith in any way or to any extent in their control and care of the said child, nor will we permit such to be done by others so far as within our power to prevent.

The said Otha Denver Smith and Annie Mae Smith, in consideration of the release and granting to them of the said child, do hereby agree to and do adopt the said child as and for their own, hereby giving to him the name of Otha Denver Smith, and agree to rear, care for, educate, support and maintain the said child to the best of their respective ability and means, nor will they permit the said child to suffer for any needs or proper treatment in any way so far as within their power to prevent. The said Otha Denver Smith and Annie Mae Smith also now and hereby convey upon the said child full and complete rights of inheritance as though said child were their own blood child, and will attend to all necessary formalities at law or otherwise to safeguard such rights to and in the said child.

All rights hereby given to the said Smiths jointly shall vest in and be held and exercised by the survivor of them until said child