

I wish to make a submission, I was born in St Patrick's mother and baby home, in 1970, I have my birth certificate which had my mother's maiden name, I was with a pre adopted family, and before my mother was due to sign the final adoption papers, she decided to get me back, I was 11 months old, in doing so ,she had to marry her then boyfriend of 6weeks , who is not my biological father , and she re-registered my birth and put his name on my birth certificate , so she could get me back. she had no choice, but to get married.

As I was born out of wedlock, I was given a horrendous life, reminder every day that the adults in my life were doing me a favour, I had a horrendous beginning in life, I was passed around like a rag doll as a baby, and spent 3 months in hospital due to severe bacterial gastroenteritis from the lack of hygiene in the home.

What I would like, is to be able to use my first birth certificate, and also on my birth certificate, it states I was born in St Patrick's home on the Navan Road, I would like this removed, the stigma and pain it has caused me was horrendous over the years, schools knew I was born there, and treated me differently, my birth certificate is used for everything, I am my own person, and I want to be freed from this memory, I deserve that ,I did nothing wrong I was a child, my mother was 16 when she had me she also was a child, my mother has not spoken to me since, I was 18 years old, I am the result of a rape, i have not been able to access any information relating to both of us and our time in the mother and baby home, and constantly I'm told when I look for information, sure your mother alive why don't you ask her, and this hurts like a knife, I never had a mother she was a shell after my conception and what happened to her in the home,

So, I'm not sure if there's many people out there like me,

but I would love my name back, and I would love the memory of where I came from to be erased and if you could do this for me, I would feel like I'm getting my life back

Kind regards

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Sent from my Huawei phone