

Court Petition Name Changes in Idaho

To legally change your name in Idaho, there are several steps, the most comprehensive of which (if you plan a Social Security Card and Driver's License/ID change) is through Court Petition. These are the necessary steps in Idaho:

1. In order to use the standard process to petition for a name change as an adult in Idaho, you must be 18 years old, reside in the state, not be a registered sex offender, and not be attempting to avoid creditors or debts.
2. Procure the necessary forms (forms needed and process information can be found here: <https://courtselphelp.idaho.gov/Forms/Name>)
 - a. Petition for name change (NCA 1-1)
 - b. Notice of Hearing (NCA 1-2)
 - c. Name Change Letter for Publication (NCA 1-3)
 - d. Order for Name Change (NCA 8-1) (This is the form needed for SSA and DMV changes, etc.)
3. File paperwork at County Courthouse
 - a. A filing fee of \$166 is needed at this point
4. Publish notice in a local newspaper for 4 weeks
 - a. County Newspapers designated for publication can be found here: https://isc.idaho.gov/files/County_Newspapers_for_Name_Change_Petition_Notice.pdf
 - b. A fee will be associated with this
5. Attend your court hearing

Necessary additional steps, process information, and steps for Social Security and DMV records can be found at <https://courtselphelp.idaho.gov/Forms/Name> or at <https://www.wikihow.com/Change-Your-Name-in-Idaho>. Fees will be attached to these changes as well. Among these steps, begin with Social Security to make any other changes easier to complete.

