



REPUBLIC OF KENYA



**In re EK alias IMM (Adoption Cause E001 of 2023)
[2023] KEHC 26615 (KLR) (19 December 2023) (Judgment)**

Neutral citation: [2023] KEHC 26615 (KLR)

**REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE HIGH COURT AT MERU
ADOPTION CAUSE E001 OF 2023
TW CHERERE, J
DECEMBER 19, 2023**

JUDGMENT

1. By originating summons dated January 24, 2023, pursuant to sections 183, 184 (1), 185(1), 186(1), 187(1), 188(1) and 189 of the *Children Act*, applicants seek an order that an approval be given that they adopt an infant by the name E.K alias I.M.M
2. Applicants J.O.M and H.N.M are Kenyan citizens by birth. applicants are in gainful employment with 1st applicant being a businessman and 2nd applicant a clinical officer. The couple have been married since 2003 and have not been blessed with a child of their own.
3. The child was found abandoned within Githongo area on the night of May 3, 2018 and was placed at Ripples International Newstart Centre for Care and Protection. On August 15, 2019, the child was committed to the care of the applicants after the Ripples International Adoption Centre Case Committee found them suitable.
4. Since the biological parents of the child are unknown and nobody has come forward to claim her, the children's officer, sub-county children office, Imenti North, Meru County has by a report filed on June 13, 2023 approved the adoption and vouches for the suitability of the applicants and the guardian.
5. Ripples International, an Adoption Society, prepared a report dated April 3, 2019 declaring the child free for adoption and vouching for the Applicants' suitability to adopt the child and subsequently issued a certificate dated April 27, 2019 in support of the adoption.
6. I have evaluated the facts of this adoption. Applicants have fulfilled all the legal requirements relating to the adoption of the child. The home visits by the Adoption Society and the children officers from sub-county children office, Imenti North in Meru County established that the applicants have the financial and emotional capability to provide for the upkeep and education of the child.
7. This court formed the opinion that it would be in the best interest of the child to be adopted by the applicants.
8. It is therefore hereby ordered that:



- i Applicants JMM and HNM shall adopt E.K (the child).
- ii. The child shall adopt the name IMM
- iii. I direct the Registrar General to enter this order in the adoption register.
- iv AMM shall be the child's guardian
- v It is so ordered.

DATED AT MERU THIS 19th DAY of December 2023

WAMAE. T. W. CHERERE

JUDGE

Appearances

Court Assistants - Kinoti/Munene

Applicants - Present in person

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