

## Verified Petition to Issue Replacement Certificate of Title

Use this form when:

You are the legal owner of a motor vehicle and you need an Order from the Court to obtain a replacement Certificate of Title from the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV).

- Complete the Petition then make three (3) copies of the Petition.
- File the Petition at the Clerk's Office and pay the filing fees.
- Take the file stamped Petition and the receipt showing payment of the filing fees to the Superior Court 4 office to schedule a hearing date. The hearing date will be scheduled in about four (4) weeks to allow time for the required publication schedule.
- Advertise (publish) the filing of the Petition in a local newspaper of general distribution.
  - Take a copy of the file stamped Petition to the newspaper
  - Pay the publication fee to the newspaper
  - The advertisement must be published three (3) times:
    - The first time must be promptly after you file the Petition
    - The second and third times must be at least seven (7) days but not more than fourteen (14) days after the first time
- When you come to your court hearing, bring with you proof of advertising (publication).
- In Tippecanoe County, the local newspapers of general distribution are

Journal and Courier  
217 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lafayette, IN 47901  
(765) 420-5367

Lafayette Leader  
401 Main Street, Suite 2F  
Lafayette, IN 47901  
(765) 428-8123

“Verified” means that by signing and submitting this Petition, you swear or affirm under oath and under penalties for perjury that all the answers and information are true and accurate.

**IMPORTANT: Make sure you legibly and neatly print the entire VIN number. Make sure you print the correct VIN number. If you do not, you must re-advertise the Notice (and pay for the advertisement) and schedule another hearing. You will not need to pay additional court costs.**

**VERIFIED PETITION TO ISSUE REPLACEMENT CERTIFICATE OF TITLE**

**TIPPECANOE SUPERIOR COURT No. 4**  
Courthouse, 301 Main Street  
Lafayette, Indiana 47901  
Telephone: (765) 423-9266

**CAUSE NO. 79D04-\_\_\_\_\_ -SC-\_\_\_\_\_**

**IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER TO THE INDIANA BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE A REPLACEMENT CERTIFICATE OF TITLE**

Petitioner \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

**VERIFIED PETITION TO ISSUE REPLACEMENT CERTIFICATE OF TITLE**

I am the Petitioner listed above and I am seeking an Order from this Court for the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles to issue a replacement Certificate of Title for the below-listed motor vehicle. I am requesting this Order because the original Certificate of Title:

- Has been lost or misplaced.
- Has been destroyed and no duplicate Certificate of Title exists.
- Has not been provided to me by the person or company from whom I purchased the motor vehicle despite full payment for the motor vehicle and repeated requests to provide me with the Certificate of Title.
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

I came into possession of and became the legal owner of this motor vehicle by:

- Purchasing the motor vehicle from \_\_\_\_\_ for the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ on or about this date \_\_\_\_\_ [Attach bill of sale].
- Receiving the motor vehicle as a gift from \_\_\_\_\_ on or about this date \_\_\_\_\_ [Attach notarized statement from the person who gifted the motor vehicle or the person's power of attorney or the personal representative of or the attorney for the person's estate].
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

The motor vehicle is described as follows:       Auto    Truck    Motorcycle    ATV    Other \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ VIN: \_\_\_\_\_

I swear or affirm under penalties for perjury, as specified in I.C. 35-44-2-1, the information herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that notice of this Petition must be published in a local newspaper of general distribution pursuant to Trial Rule 4.13 and I must bring Proof of Publication with me to the hearing.

\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**ORDER SCHEDULING HEARING ON VERIFIED PETITION TO ISSUE REPLACEMENT CERTIFICATE OF TITLE**

The Court now schedules this Petition for hearing on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ AM/PM.

\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mathew S. Sandy, Judge  
Tippecanoe Superior Court No. 4