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|) | | ren from outside the United States can be a rocess because the family must comply with the |
| · [17] | requirements | outlined by the United States Department of Justice |
| × | (INS). Addition and requireme | d States Department of Immigration and Naturalizat nally, the adoptive family must comply with the law: ents of the foreign country. Further, it is very import |
| 1.1 | | with local customs, protocols and the culture of the y. It is important to work with either an agency or a |
| (I) | | prney who is experienced in this area of adoption lav |
| _v] | | require a home study and has specific requirements prmat. Currently, children from Asia, Korea, Latin |
| | America, Sout loving adoptiv country where | th America, and Eastern Europe are being placed will e families. It is sometimes necessary to travel to the e the child resides in order to obtain a ruling from th t that the child is eligible for adoption and can leave |
| · / / | States genera in a foreign co the Departme | lly recognize as valid an adoption that has taken pla ountry and is accepted and recognized by the INS ar nt of Justice. If the foreign country's adoption decre doptive parents surname, the State Department of |

Health can usually issue a birth certificate upon request. The Department of Health does require proof of adoption, including a copy of the original birth certificate and adoption decree, an Engli translation of both, and the copy of the approval from the INS. Adoptive parents may also request the court to recognize the fore country's adoption decree. A *Court usually must be involved to* change the adopted child's name to the name given by the adopti parent if that name is different from the adoptive parents surnam is different than the decree from the foreign country.

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