

# Consider an Adoption Consultation . . .

Confused about your adoption options? It is understandable if you are. There are over 20 licensed agencies in North Carolina alone offering international as well as domestic adoption as well as adoption network consultants, facilitators and advertising services. Potential adoptive parents often make the mistake of signing with the first adoption professional that they interview with without thinking through their specific adoption needs and finances. The reality is that there are a myriad of adoption options, and a wise first step is to invest in an adoption consultation with a neutral adoption professional to gain insight into adoption as a whole.

We offer adoption consultations in our Raleigh law offices, generally at 10 a.m. or 2 p.m. weekdays, for **\$300**. A map and directions to our law offices in downtown Raleigh are on the reverse. There is no obligation or pressure to use us for additional legal services or to consider our adoption agency's domestic programs. Between us as family law specialists, we have over 20 years of experience in adoptions and we have finalized over 250 adoptions. We are familiar with the adoption process and wish for prospective adoptive parents to be knowledgeable going into the process.

In the adoption information consultation we spend about an hour covering the following topics as well as answering specific questions that you may have:

- ❖ **The Preplacement Assessment Process**  
(Cost, Requirements and Samples)
- ❖ **Domestic Adoptions**  
Agency versus Independent Adoptions  
(Interstate Compact, Age, Cost and Confidentiality Issues)
- ❖ **Adoption Consultants**  
(Advertisers, Facilitators, Consultants)
- ❖ **\$\$\$Financing your Adoptions**  
(Tax Credit, Employer Assistance, Choice of Adoption Program)
- ❖ **International Adoptions**  
(Countries, Cost, INS Process, Medical Issues)
- ❖ **Legal Process**  
(Revocation Periods, Finalization Process, Time-Frame)

Please call our law offices, Herring, Mills & Kratt, PLLC to schedule an adoption consultation at (919) 821-1860 or you can email us at [pherring@foryourlife.com](mailto:pherring@foryourlife.com) or [bmills@foryourlife.com](mailto:bmills@foryourlife.com).

Or you may call A Child's Hope at 839-8800, and speak with the agency assistant to schedule an appointment, or you may email at: [ach@achildshope.com](mailto:ach@achildshope.com)