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§5–3B–20.

A court may enter an order for adoption only if:

- (1) (i) 1. each of the prospective adoptee’s living parents consents:
    - A. in writing; or
    - B. by failure to timely file notice of objection after being served with a show–cause order in accordance with this subtitle;
  2. an administrative, executive, or judicial body of a state or other jurisdiction has granted a governmental unit or person other than a parent the power to consent to adoption, and the unit or person consents; or
  3. parental rights have been terminated in compliance with the laws of a state or other jurisdiction, as described in § 5–3B–04 of this subtitle; and
- (ii) if the prospective adoptee is at least 10 years old, the prospective adoptee consents; or
- (2) in accordance with § 5–3B–22 of this subtitle, the court orders adoption without consent otherwise required under this section.

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