VS-20

The VS-20 form is a sworn statement that you are authorized to receive a copy of the birth certificate once it's amended. This form must be notarized by a California-licensed Notary Public before it's sent to the CDPH. You can learn more about that on the next page.

- Above **Applicant's Printed Name**, write your new legal name (the one you want to change to).
- Under **Registrant**, write your new legal name (the one you want to change to).
- Under **Applicant's Relationship to Registrant**, write "Self".
- Leave everything else blank. You will need to complete the rest in the presence of a Notary Public.

Example

Here's what your form should look like once it's finished (Everything I added is in red for emphasis. Use black when you're filling your form out):

SWORN STATEMENT

I, Jane Jamie Doe, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the
(**Applicant's** Printed Name)

State of California, that I am an authorized person, as defined in California Health and Safety Code Section 103526 (c), and am eligible to receive a certified copy of the birth, death, or marriage certificate of the following individual(s):

Registrant (Name of person whose certificate you are requesting)	**Applicant's Relationship to Registrant (Must be an authorized person)**
Jane Jamie Doe	Self

(The remaining information must be completed in the presence of a Notary Public or CDPH Vital Records staff.)

Subscribed to this _____ day of _____, 20___, at _____, _____.
(Day) (Month) (City) (State)

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(**Applicant's** Signature)

CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of _____

County of _____

On _____before me, _____, personally appeared _____,
(Insert name and title of the officer)

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument. I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct

WITNESS my hand and official seal.
(SEAL)

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(SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC)

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