

Robert A. Dodell Adds New Practice Area Specializing In Adult Adoptions In Arizona

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Scottsdale, Arizona, based law firm Robert A. Dodell, Attorney At Law, is pleased to announce that they are adding a new practice area of adult adoptions within the state of Arizona. The firm provides a comprehensive service, covering criminal cases, DUI/DWI cases, juvenile adoptions, delinquency and dependency cases.

Robert A. Dodell says, "Adoption is a wonderful thing and it's always a heartwarming moment to see a child officially become their parents' child in the eyes of the law. However, it is still a very complex legal process, and there is a lot of work to do and rules to consider. But it is not just children that have the need for adoption; there are adults that have this need. An adult adoption gives the adoptive parents and adoptee the formal recognition they desire and, at the Robert A. Dodell law firm, we're proud to say that we now offer this service for people looking to adopt an adult child."

According to the firm, the State of Arizona only allows an adult to adopt another adult under three very specific circumstances. First, the adult to be adopted must be at least 18 years of age, but not more than 21 years of age, regardless of the relationship with the adopting adult. Second, the adult who is being adopted, no matter the age, must be a step-child, niece, nephew, cousin, or grandchild of the adopting person. Finally, an adult may be adopted by a foster parent so long as that adult was placed with that foster parent as a juvenile and the foster parent has maintained a continuous family relationship with them for at least five years.

The law firm explains that adult adoption can be used in same-sex marriage situations for the parent's partner, who was unable to be a legal parent to the couple's child under previous law, to officially adopt the now adult child. If the adopting adult is married, there is an option for their spouse to also adopt the adoptee. However, if the adopting adult is married but the spouse is not adopting, then that spouse must consent to the adoption for the process to proceed. Similarly, if the adult being adopted has a spouse, then that spouse must also give consent to the adoption for the adoption to proceed. More information about the firm's adult adoption service can be found at the following link: [Adult Adoptions Assistance From Robert A. Dodell](#).

In addition to helping with adult adoptions, Robert A. Dodell, Attorney at Law also helps with juvenile adoptions. Dodell himself says, "We've always considered it to be a privilege and an honor to be able to help people who want to offer their homes and support to a child. But when you're setting out on your adoption journey, it is very important for you to have a lawyer who understands the law and who will ensure that all the paperwork is accurately and fully completed. I can assure you that my team and I are more than suited to help you navigate the process efficiently and effectively. More than that, we will also be by your side in all legal matters as you bring a new child into your family, and help you understand all the ways in which an adoption can be financed, including tax credits, employer benefits, and state subsidies. Reach out for [adoption help from Robert Dodell, Attorney at Law](#) today."

Dodell continues, "At this law firm, our core philosophy is caring about our clients as if they were a

part of own families. We can promise you commitment and dedication that you will not get from anywhere else. We know that if you need to contact a lawyer, you're very likely in a trying time and, as such, we consider your comfort our number one priority. That means that we're flexible and available to deal with your needs."

Those who want to learn more about Robert A. Dodell, Attorney At Law, and the various services he provides can find more information on the law firm's website. Additionally, the law firm encourages interested parties to get in touch with Robert A. Dodell directly via email, phone or, alternatively, the contact form on their website. Robert A. Dodell, Attorney At Law. also has a Facebook page where they frequently post updates, share legal advice and communicate with their clients. More information about the law firm can also be found at the following link: [Robert Dodell Attorney in Scottsdale](#).

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