

NAMES (54 PA.C.S.) - AMEND RESUMPTION OF SURNAME IN DIVORCE
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AN ACT

Amending Title 54 (Names) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for resumption of surname for a party in a divorce action.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 704 heading and (a) of Title 54 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

§ 704. [Divorced] **Divorcing and divorced** person may resume prior name.

(a) General rule.--Any person who is [divorced from the bonds of matrimony] **a party in a divorce action** may, **at any time prior to or subsequent to the entry of the divorce decree**, resume any prior surname used by him or her by filing a written notice to such effect in the office of the clerk of the court in which **the divorce action was filed or** the decree of divorce was entered, showing the caption and docket number of the proceeding in divorce.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED--The 22nd day of November, A. D. 2000.

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