

## CHAPTER 882

### ADOPTION OF ADULTS

[882.01](#) Adoption of adults.  
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**Cross-reference:** See definitions in ch. [851](#).

**882.01 Adoption of adults.** An adult may be adopted by any other adult, who is a resident of this state.

**History:** [1971 c. 41 s. 8](#); Stats. 1971 s. 882.01.

**882.02 Consent.** The consent of the adult to be adopted and the consent of the spouse of the petitioner, if that spouse has not joined in the petition under s. [882.01](#), shall be filed in writing with the court.

**History:** [1971 c. 41 ss. 8, 12](#); Stats. 1971 s. 882.02.

**882.03 Jurisdiction and venue.** The circuit court shall

have jurisdiction to order an adoption. The petition shall be filed in the county where the petitioner resides.

**History:** [1971 c. 41 s. 8](#); Stats. 1971 s. 882.03; [1977 c. 449 s. 497](#).

**882.04 Hearing and order.** After a hearing on the petition, which may be held in chambers and which shall be attended by the petitioner and the adult to be adopted, unless the court orders otherwise, and after such investigation as the court considers advisable, if the court finds that it is to the best interests of the persons involved, an order of adoption may be granted which shall have the same legal consequences as an order of adoption of a minor under ch. [48](#).

**History:** [1971 c. 41 s. 8](#); Stats. 1971 s. 882.04.