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Summary
Assembly Bill 2344, the Modern Family Act (Stats. 2014, ch. 636), expedites adoptions for nonbiological parents. Senate Bill 274 (Stats. 2013, ch. 564) amended the Family Code to provide that a child may have a parent-child relationship with more than two parents. The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends the Judicial Council approve creation of one new adoption form and revise four existing adoption forms. The revisions and the new form are required to implement these new California laws.

Recommendation
The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective January 1, 2016:

1. Approve *Declaration Confirming Parentage in Stepparent Adoption* (form ADOPT-205) as a new optional form; and
2. Revise *How to Adopt a Child in California* (form ADOPT-050-INFO), *Adoption Request* (form ADOPT -200), *Adoption Agreement* (form ADOPT-210), and *Adoption Order* (form ADOPT-215) to help implement Assembly Bill 2344 and Senate Bill 274.