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### Definition Of Putative Father--Child Abduction

The term “putative father” means a man alleged or reputed to be the father of a child born of a woman who is not his wife.

#### Committee Note

The term “putative father” is used throughout the child abduction statute, but is not defined. See Chapter 720, Section 10-5. The term was not used or defined in the former Paternity Act, Chapter 40, Section 1351 *et seq.*, repealed in 1984, nor is the term used or defined in the present Parentage Act, Chapter 750, Section 2501 *et seq.* This definition is drawn from Black's Law Dictionary, and from use of the term “putative father” in cases decided under the Paternity Act and the Parentage Act.