# **Step 3**:

# Option B Newspaper

#### **Publish the Announcement:**

- Run the Preamble of the County Settlement Covenant as an announcement in the legal section of the local newspaper for 3 weeks, once per week, on the same day.
- Ensure the announcement ends with "...x# counties in Indiana" and leaves out "we find."
- <u>Do not use any borders</u>, boxes, or make any edits to the announcement. Only publish the Preamble (not Article I).
- Validate that nothing was changed after publication from what you submitted.

## Retain Proof of Publication:

- After the 3-week publication, request an "Affidavit of Publishing" from the newspaper as proof.
- Keep your receipt showing you paid for the ad, also.
- Keep a copy of the actual announcement printed in the 3 newspapers.

## Autographs:

 The County moderator, scribe and bailiff autograph (first and middle name only- if no middle name, then write nomiddlename or nmn) on the appropriate spaces at the end of the Covenant in Autographs and Seals section.

Seal the Covenant: Place the County Assembly Seal (gold foil sticker and embosser) on the Covenant in the appropriate space. Contact the Secretary of State for further instructions.