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# 5 Steps to Becoming a Nevada Notary

(please read carefully)

- 1. Complete a notary application for a new or renewal appointment
- 2. Complete the notary online training course
- 3. Obtain surety bond and file surety bond
- 4. Submit ALL necessary documents & fee to the Secretary of State's Notary Division (see step 4)
- 5. Obtain a notarial stamp and journal

### STEP 1 - Notary Application

- 1. You must sign exactly as you want your name to appear on your appointment. You must use your full legal last name. APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT ORIGINAL SIGNATURE.
- 2. If you are applying or renewing as a "Non-Resident Notary," you must complete and submit the "affidavits" with this application. Download the Affidavits <a href="http://nvsos.gov/sos/Home/ShowDocument?id=519">http://nvsos.gov/sos/Home/ShowDocument?id=519</a>
- 3. If you are not a U.S. citizen you must compete and submit the Document Verification Request Form. Download the form at <a href="http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/g-845.pdf">http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/g-845.pdf</a>.
- 4. If you are renewing your notary appointment, please provide your notary commission # and the expiration date of your current appointment. Both of these can be found on your stamp.

#### **STEP 2 - Complete Notary Online Training Course**

- 1. A new notary applicant and all renewing notaries must attend and successfully complete an online course of study provided pursuant to NRS 240.018.
- 2. The Nevada Secretary of State's office is the official provider of the online notary training classes. Class schedules may be found on the following website: <a href="http://www.nvsos.gov/NotaryTraining/Schedule/ScheduleList.aspx">http://www.nvsos.gov/NotaryTraining/Schedule/ScheduleList.aspx</a>. After completion of this class, a Training Certificate will be issued. This Training Certificate must be attached to the Notary Application..

#### STEP 3 - Obtain Surety Bond and File Surety Bond

- 1. Notary applicants must provide a filing notice to the State of Nevada in the sum of \$10,000 as required by Nevada law. The bond may be obtained from any insurance agency offering surety services or a surety bond agent of your choice. You specify to the Insurance Company the bond effective date you want.
- 2. Once the bond is obtained you must take an oath. The oath can either be administered by the county clerk or another notary.
- 3. The surety bond is filed with the county clerk in the county you reside. If you are applying as a Non-Resident notary that is the county you are employed. Contact your County Clerk for the current fee to file the bond.
- 4. The county clerk shall immediately certify that the bond and oath have been filed and recorded. The county clerk will return the "Filing Notice" to the notary applicant. THIS FILING NOTICE MUST BE ATTACHED TO YOUR NOTARY APPLICATION.

#### STEP 4 - Submit Completed Application, Required Documents & Application Fee

1. Mail all required documents and application fee to: SECRETARY OF STATE BARBARA K. CEGAVSKE

**NOTARY DIVISION** 

101 N. CARSON STREET, SUITE 3 CARSON CITY, NV 89701-3714

Please check that you are are sending an ONLINE ORIGINAL signed Application, plus any other supporting document/forms as listed in Section 1 of these instructions, i.e., Filing Notice, Training Class Certificate, and a \$35 application fee.

- 2. \$35 Non-refundable application fee may be paid via check or money order (make payable to the Nevada Secretary of State), or via credit card. If paying by credit card, please complete the credit card checklist and submit with your application. The credit card checklist may be found at the following website: <a href="http://nvsos.gov/sos/Home/ShowDocument?id=518">http://nvsos.gov/sos/Home/ShowDocument?id=518</a>.
- 3. For processing times refer to the Secretary of State's website. Your Notary Certificate of Appointment will be sent to you via regular U.S.

#### STEP 5 - To Complete Commission Obtain Notarial Stamp & Journal

- 1. Once you receive your Certificate of Appointment you may purchase a notarial stamp from a rubber stamp vendor. Your Certificate of Appointment or a certified copy of certificate is necessary to purchase a notarial stamp.
- 2. You will also need to purchase a notary journal required pursuant to NRS 240.120 from an office supply store.

#### PERSONS <u>INELIGIBLE</u> TO BECOME A NEVADA NOTARY PUBLIC PURSUANT TO NRS CHAPTER 240:

- Individuals under 18 years of age.
- Non-Nevada residents who are not employed at a place of business within the state.
- A convicted felon whose civil rights have NOT been restored.
- Persons holding office under the U.S. Government. This prohibition does not apply to employees of the U.S. Government.



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## **Application** for Appointment as a Notary Public

Resident
Non-Resident
Renewal

ABOVE SPACE IS FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Signature Instructions: . Include your full last name and your original signature. Use this signature on all notarial acts. I enclose the payment in the amount of \$35.00 payable to the Secretary of State. I understand this fee is a non-refundable processing fee. I declare under penalty of perjury that information provided on this form is true and correct and acknowledge that pursuant to NRS 239.330, it is a category C felony to knowingly offer any false or forged instrument for filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.

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Applicant Signature		Pri	nt your name	exactly as	you want you	r name	to appear	on the app	pointment
Legal Name of Applicant:		PERSONAL IN	IFORMA	TION			·		
First	Middle			Last					Suffix
2. Mailing Address in Nevada*: I	P.O. Box, sec	tion 3 MUST be comp	oleted						
							Nevada	ı	
Street Address or P.O. Box *NOTE: If mailing address is the employe	er address, sec		City npleted.					Zip Code	)
3. Residence Address:									
Street Address		"(	City				State	Zip Code	)
4. Daytime Telephone: (Include A	rea Code)				Work	H	Home	c	ell
5. Date of Birth:	(n	nm/dd/yyyy)	6. Mothe	er's Maid	en Name:				
7. Email Address:	8. Non-Resident State: (if applicable)								
		GENERAL IN	FORMAT	ION					
9. Is this a requirement of your e	mployment?	Yes - p	rovide emp	loyer infor	mation in se		0.	Yes	No_
10. Employer Name:				Tel	Ir) ephone: Area	nclude a Code)			
							Nevada	ı	
Street Address or P.O. Box		(	City					Zip Code	)
11. County where Bond is filed p	ursuant to N	IRS 240.030(1)d:				,	'Non-res	ident app	licants
The above county is:	) County of e	mployment	of non-reside	nt*	affidavits	mit appro with this	form		
		<b>QUALIFYING</b>	QUEST	IONS					П
12. Are you a United States Citiz	en?	es - go to question	14 No-	MUST co	mplete ques	tion 13	}	Yes	 No
13. If not a U.S. Citizen, are you		nitted for perman	ent resider	nce?					
Yes - complete document ve request and submit with app		Alien Registra	ation Number	r:				Yes	∟ No
14. Have you ever had an appoin	ntment as a	notary public revo	oked or su	spended	in this state	e or an	y		
other state or territory of the U.S	.?							Yes	No
15. Have you ever been convicte moral turpitude?	ed of a crime			-	your civil right			Yes	No
16. Have you ever been a Nevad	da Notary?	Yes	- complete	a) and b)					
a) Notary Number:		b) Ex	piration Date	e:				Yes	No
17. Have you enrolled in and suc of study pursuant to NRS 240.0	•	ompleted the MAN Yes - complete a), b)					urse		
a) Class Date:		(mm/dd/yyyy)	b) Class Ti	me:				Yes	No