

Frequently Asked Questions

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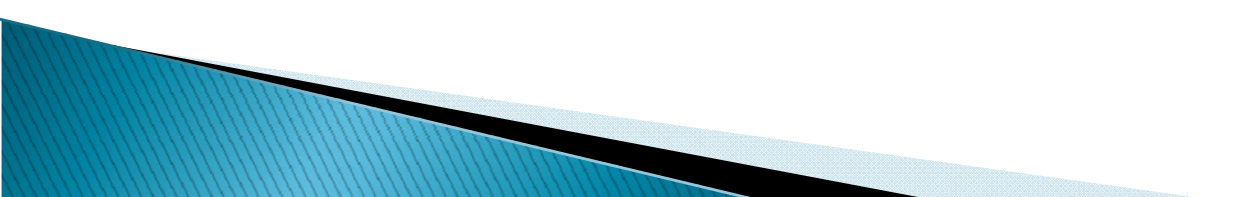


Notary Resources

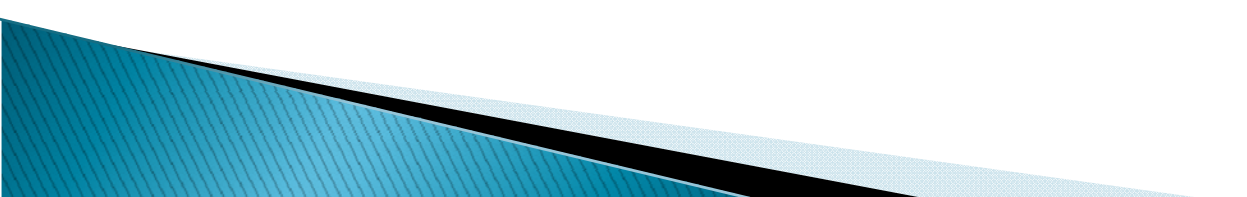
- ▶ Secretary of State's website:
 - www.sos.alabama.gov
 - Choose "Administrative Services" & "Government Records"
- ▶ Alabama State Bar
 - "A Manual for Notaries Public in the State of Alabama" Published by The Young Lawyers' Section: www.alabamayls.org (ebooks) – Cost \$5.45

Notary Organizations

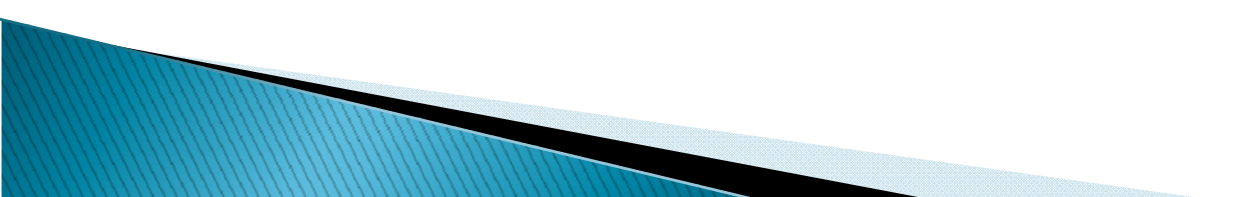
- ▶ National Notary Association
 - www.nationalnotary.org
- ▶ American Society of Notaries
 - www.asnnotary.org
- ▶ United States Notary Association
 - www.enotary.org
- ▶ Plus many more...!



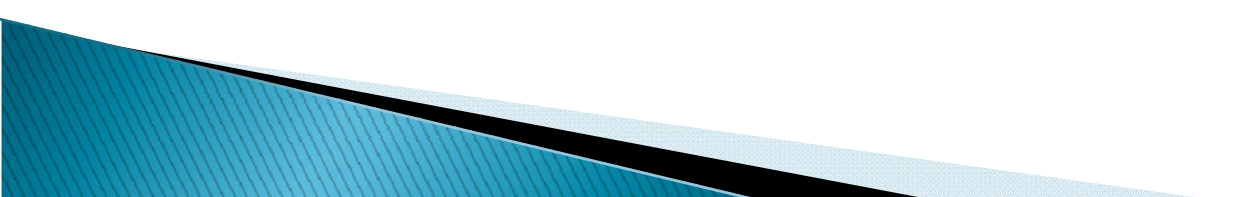
Frequently Asked Notary Questions

1. How do I become a notary?
 2. How do I renew my notary commission?
 3. Will you let me know when my notary commission is about to expire?
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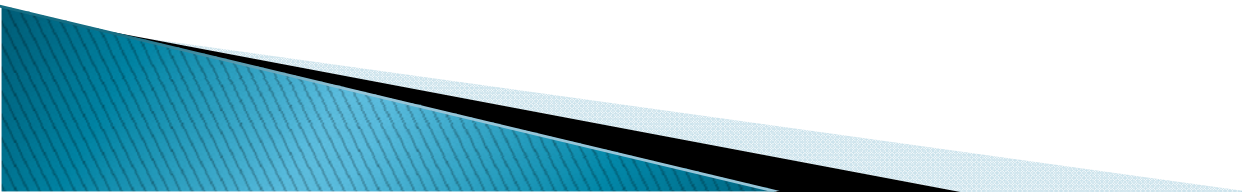
4. May I use an ink stamp rather than an embosser?
 5. What are the qualifications for becoming a notary?
 6. Must I be a registered voter?
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7. May I notarize the signature of a family member?
 8. May I notarize signatures for my husband's business?
 9. How much can I charge?
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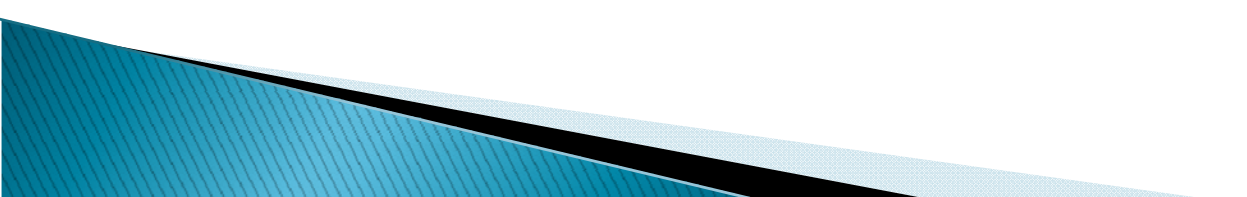
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10. What is my expiration date?
11. Do I have to keep a record book?
12. Is it necessary to watch the person sign the document I notarize?

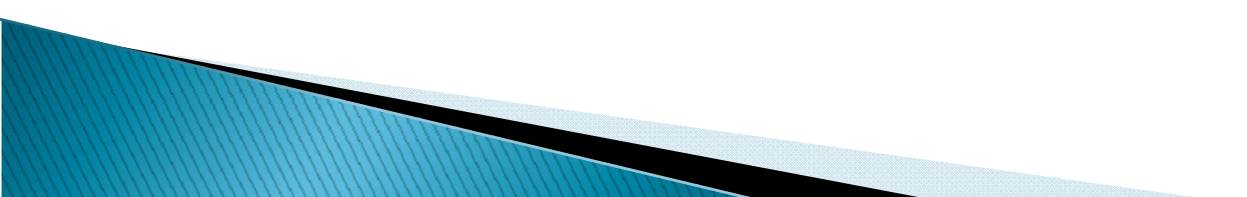


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13. May I become a notary in Alabama if I live in another state but near the Alabama state line, and my company does business in Alabama?

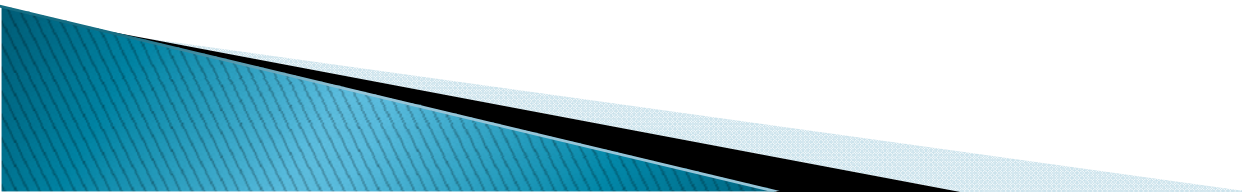
 14. How do I change the name on my notary commission?
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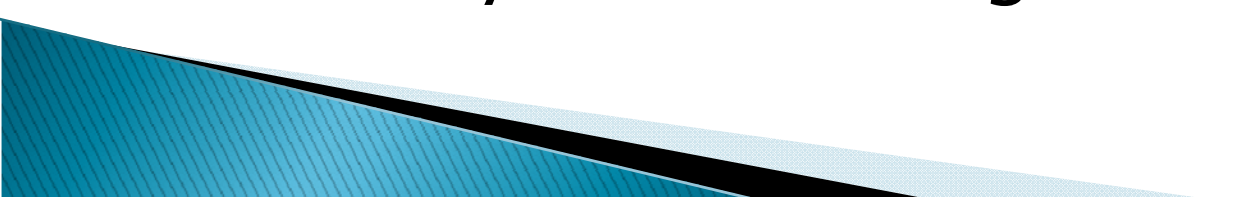
15. How do I change the address on my notary commission?
 16. My embosser has been lost or stolen. What do I do?
 17. I no longer want to be a notary. What do I do?
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18. My husband/wife was a notary and died recently. What should be done with his/her embosser and record book?



Frequently Asked Questions About Notaries

1. How can I contact an Alabama notary who signed a document?
 2. How can I find out if an individual is really a commissioned notary?
 3. How do I report or bring charges against a notary who is doing fraudulent work?
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Thank You!

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