JURAT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

County of _____ , ss.

On this _____ day of _____ , 20 _____ , before me, the undersigned notary public, _____ personally appeared, proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, which were _____ , to be the person who signed the (preceding) (attached) document in my presence and who swore or affirmed to me that the contents of the document are truthful and accurate to the best of (his) (her) knowledge and belief.

NOTARY SEAL

_____

Official signature of notary public

Printed name: _____

My commission expires: _____

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When to use it

For affidavits and other sworn or affirmed statements. The signer must sign in your presence and take an oath or affirmation administered aloud.

How to complete it

- Have the signer sign the document in front of you. A document signed beforehand must be signed again.
- Administer the oath or affirmation aloud and have the signer answer aloud.
- Complete the county, date, signer name and identification.
- Strike "preceding" or "attached" and the inapplicable pronoun.
- Sign, print your name, enter your commission expiration date and affix your seal.

Good to know

- An affirmation is the legal equivalent of an oath for signers who prefer not to swear.
- If the document already carries a jurat required by a court, a federal agency or another state, that wording may be used instead.
- A nod or a silent signature is not an oath.

Important

This form follows the statutory short form in M.G.L. c. 222, §15, which notaries must use substantially as written. It is provided free for reference and convenience and is not legal advice. Notaries public are not attorneys. When a court rule, a federal or state law, or the law of another state prescribes a different certificate for the document, that form governs. Confirm current requirements with the Massachusetts Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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