

## MICHIGAN NOTARY PUBLIC APPLICATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

This application process for becoming a Michigan Notary Public involves several steps. Carefully review the instructions throughout this document to ensure successful and timely completion. For assistance, email us at [MDOS-Notary@michigan.gov](mailto:MDOS-Notary@michigan.gov).

### STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS:

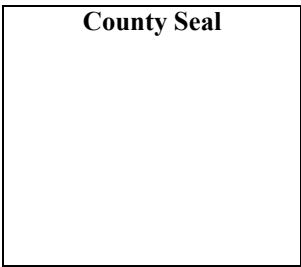
1. Fill out the application **clearly** and **completely**.
  - a. Use None or N/A if not applicable.
  - b. Use zeros for Phone numbers or Business zip code if not applicable.
2. Obtain a \$10,000 [surety bond](#) written for a term of six or seven years through a Michigan licensed insurance company.
3. Take the surety bond and completed application to the [county clerk's](#) office. (For a \$10.00-\$20.00 fee, the Clerk will file your bond, administer an Oath, and return the application to you.) An Attorney in good standing with the State Bar of Michigan is not required to obtain and file a surety bond; however, you must file OATH with the County Clerk's Office.
4. Mail the original, completed application and the \$10.00 filing fee to this office using address below. Check should be made payable to **State of Michigan**.
5. Look for the commission card and certificate in your email. Allow 4-6 weeks for processing. Please check all spam folders.
6. Check the status of your appointment on our [website](#). Bookmark this site to visit later. (Note: **Do not** perform notarial acts until you are listed as "Active" on this website or you have received your commission information!)



### IMPORTANT!

Do not forget the \$10.00 filing fee in your mailing payable to the State of Michigan. Mail the completed application and filing fee to:

Office of the Great Seal  
7064 Crowner Drive  
Lansing, MI 48918  
[Website](#)  
Email: [MDOS-Notary@michigan.gov](mailto:MDOS-Notary@michigan.gov)



MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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APPLICATION FOR NOTARY COMMISSION AND ATTORNEY REAPPOINTMENT

USE "NONE" OR "N/A" IF NOT APPLICABLE. INCOMPLETE AND/OR ILLEGIBLE APPLICATIONS MAY BE RETURNED. NON-REFUNDABLE FILING FEE: \$10

Are you a resident of Michigan? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Main application form with fields for Full Name, Driver's License or State ID#, State, County of Residence, Date of Birth, Email Address, County of Business, Residential Address, Business Address, Telephone Numbers, and Licensed Attorney information.

Legal questions section with checkboxes for: 'Within the last 10 years, have you been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor?', 'Do you hold or have ever held a notary public commission in the State of Michigan?', 'Have you ever had a notary commission in any other state?', and 'Have you ever been suspended, cancelled, or revoked?'.

I hereby certify that I am 18 years of age or older; a resident of Michigan or maintain a principal place of business in Michigan; am a U.S. citizen or possess proof of legal presence; am able to read and write in the English language; am not currently incarcerated in a correctional facility or have served time during the immediate past ten years for a felony or misdemeanor offense in any state. I solemnly affirm, under the penalty of perjury, that the information provided in this application is true, complete, and correct; that I have carefully read the notary laws of Michigan; and that, if appointed and commissioned as a notary public, I will perform faithfully, to the best of my ability, all notarial acts in accordance with the law. I understand that all information contained on this application is subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231, et seq. I am enclosing the \$10.00 non-refundable application processing fee. Checks made payable to State of Michigan. If I am a licensed attorney, I certify that I am in good standing with the State Bar of Michigan.

COMMISSION NAME: \_\_\_\_\_
I have printed/typed my name as I wish to be commissioned. I understand that my name must appear exactly as I have printed/typed it above for all notarizations for the duration of this commission.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_
Sign your name as it will appear on all documents you notarize. I understand that my signature must appear exactly as I have signed it above for all notarizations for the duration of this commission.