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How to Complete Your Georgia Affidavit of Lost Document

Lost, stolen or destroyed document

INSTRUCTIONS — KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS. DO NOT ATTACH THIS PAGE TO YOUR AFFIDAVIT.

About this form. Use this sworn affidavit to request a replacement or to proceed without an original document that has been **lost, stolen or destroyed**, such as a stock certificate, promissory note, check, diploma or certificate. Agencies with their own forms, such as the Georgia DOR for vehicle titles, may require those forms instead.

1. **Describe the document**
   Enter the type, number, date and issuer.
2. **Explain the loss**
   Describe when, where and how it was lost, and confirm you have not transferred it.
3. **Sign before a notary**
   You swear the statements are true, so sign only in front of the notary. Bring a current government-issued photo ID.

Signing requirements: Signed and sworn by the affiant before a notary public.

After It's Signed

- Send the original to the issuer or requester. Some issuers also require an indemnity bond.

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AFFIDAVIT OF LOST DOCUMENT

Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Document • State of Georgia

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned officer duly authorized to administer oaths,

Full legal name of affiant

Date of birth

Address (street, city, state, ZIP)

Telephone

who, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. Document. I am the owner, holder or person entitled to the following original document:

Type of document (e.g., title, stock certificate, promissory note, diploma, check)

Number or identifying details

Date issued

Issued by

2. Loss. The document has been (check one): [ ] lost [ ] stolen [ ] destroyed [ ] misplaced. It was last seen on or about _____ at _____.

How the document was lost, stolen or destroyed

3. No transfer. I have not sold, assigned, pledged, endorsed or transferred the document or any interest in it, and no other person has any claim to it.

4. Search. I have made a diligent search for the document and cannot find it. If I find it, I will promptly return it to the issuer or requester for cancellation.

5. Request and indemnity. I request that a replacement or duplicate be issued, or that the requester proceed without the original, and I agree to indemnify the issuer and requester against any loss caused by reliance on this affidavit.

I swear (or affirm) that the statements in this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that making a false statement under oath may be punishable as false swearing under Georgia law (O.C.G.A. § 16-10-71).

SIGNATURE

Sign only in front of the notary.

X _____

Signature of affiant

_____

Date

Printed name

Affiant's initials: _____

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NOTARY JURAT

State of Georgia
County of _____

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20____, by _____ (name of affiant), who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person who appeared before me.

_____ (Seal)
Signature of notary public

_____
Printed name of notary public

Notary Public, _____ County, Georgia
My commission expires: _____

Notary seal

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