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How to Complete Your Illinois Agent's Certification and Acceptance of Authority

Agent's Certification and Acceptance of Authority (755 ILCS 45/2-8)

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

About this form. This is the Illinois statutory form an agent signs to certify that a power of attorney is still valid and to accept the appointment as agent. It helps banks and title companies accept the power of attorney without delay.

1. **Who signs**
   The **agent** named in the power of attorney signs this form, not the principal. A successor agent uses the same form. Banks, brokers, and title companies often ask for it before accepting a power of attorney.
2. **Fill in the names (Page 1)**
   Enter your name as agent and the principal's name exactly as they appear in the power of attorney.
3. **Attach a copy**
   Attach a true copy of the power of attorney. The certification refers to "the attached" copy.
4. **Sign before a notary (Page 1)**
   You sign under penalty of perjury. Banks and title companies usually want the signature sworn before a notary. Bring a current, government-issued photo ID.

After It's Signed

- Deliver the signed certification with the copy of the power of attorney. Under Illinois law, a third party generally may not refuse a properly signed statutory power of attorney just because it is a copy, when it comes with a signed certification like this one.
- Keep a copy for your records. Sign a new certification each time an institution asks for a current one.
- For use in another country, the notarized document may need an apostille from the Illinois Secretary of State. We can handle this for you.

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AGENT'S CERTIFICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF AUTHORITY

(755 ILCS 45/2-8)

I,

(insert name of agent)

certify that the attached is a true copy of a power of attorney naming the undersigned as agent or successor agent for

(insert name of principal)

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the principal had the capacity to execute the power of attorney, is alive, and has not revoked the power of attorney; that my powers as agent have not been altered or terminated; and that the power of attorney remains in full force and effect.

I accept appointment as agent under this power of attorney.

This certification and acceptance is made under penalty of perjury.*

Dated

X

(Agent's Signature)

(Print Agent's Name)

(Agent's Address)

(NOTE: Perjury is defined in Section 32-2 of the Criminal Code of 2012, and is a Class 3 felony.)

NOTARY JURAT

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF) SS.

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on

(date)

by (name of agent)

X

Notary Public

(Notary seal)

Notary's printed name

My commission expires

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