Idaho’s New Notary Act

How will it affect notaries public in Idaho?

Detailed information is available at: http://www.sos.idaho.gov/notary/notary_new.html

Beginning July 1, 2017

1. You will be able to register for authorization to perform electronic notarizations.
   a. Submit the authorization request form provided by the Secretary of State
      i. State specifically what tamper-evident technology that you will be using.
      ii. $20 fee

2. You will be required to notify the Secretary of State if your notary stamp is lost or stolen.

3. Satisfactory evidence of the identity of an individual appearing before the notary shall be:
   a. A passport, driver’s license or government-issued nondriver ID card that is current or not expired more than 3 years.
   b. Another form of government ID containing the signature or a photograph of the individual, and is current or not expired more than 3 years
   c. By verification on oath or affirmation of a credible witness personally appearing before the notary.

Beginning October 1, 2018

1. Any new or recommissioning notary is required to purchase a new stamp.
   a. The new stamp must include the words:
      i. Notary Public
      ii. State of Idaho
      iii. The notary’s name
      iv. The notary’s state-issued commission number (not a bond number).

   b. The stamp may also include:
      i. “My commission expires” and your commission expiration date.

   c. The stamp must not be larger than:
      i. Rectangular – 2.25 inches x 1 inch
      ii. Circular – 1.75 inches in diameter

On, or before, July 1, 2019

1. The Secretary of State will provide an online education course for notaries public. The course will be free-of-charge, and will not be mandatory.

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