

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20, by [AFFIANT NAME], who is personally known to me or who produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public: _____ My commission expires: _____
[NOTARY SEAL]

***Jurat vs. acknowledgment.** This certificate is a **jurat** — the correct notarial certificate for an affidavit. A jurat (i) requires the affiant to appear before the notary, (ii) requires the affiant to sign in the notary's presence (no pre-signing), and (iii) includes administration of an oath or affirmation. An **acknowledgment** (used for deeds, powers of attorney, and contracts) does NOT include an oath and is the wrong certificate for an affidavit. Using an acknowledgment in place of a jurat may cause a court to reject the affidavit as defective.*