



# **Alabama Notary Commission Process**

Step-by-Step Instructions to Begin My Notary Commission

## □ Step 1

I am eligible to become a Notary and am in compliance with state requirements:

- Be at least 18 years old
- Resident of Alabama (Reside in the county where you apply)
- Read and write English
- No felony convictions unless pardoned and had civil rights restored
- Must not be going through Bankruptcy
- Must not be under an ongoing adjudication of incapacity

## □ Step 2

I have purchased an NNA<sup>®</sup> Become a Notary supply package at <u>NationalNotary.org/AL/Become</u> or called 1-800-876-6827 to place my order. The NNA<sup>®</sup> will immediately ship the supplies that are not dependent upon the commission (e.g. journal, law primer, etc., as requested).

## □ Step 3

I have submitted my <u>application</u> for approval to my county's Probate Office and included the state application fee and a copy of my driving license.

## □ Step 4

I have completed the training program prepared by the Alabama Probate Judges Association and the Alabama Law Institute and printed the Course Completion Certificate. Training can be accessed by following this <u>link</u>.

## Step 5

Now that my application has been approved, a letter of appointment was sent to me. I have scanned and emailed the commission letter to <u>Releasing@NationalNotary.org</u> or faxed it to 1-800-833-1211 to activate my bond.

## □ Step 6

I obtained my \$50,000 Notary bond and submitted both my Course Completion Certificate and the bond to the county probate judge within 40 days of receiving my appointment letter.

## □ Step 7

My commission certificate was mailed to me, and I have emailed a copy to Releasing@NationalNotary.org or faxed it to 1-800-833-1211 to have my Notary seal made.

## □ Step 8

Once my documents have been received, my stamp will be shipped within 3-5 business days.





NOTE: Any <u>Alabama Notary package</u> you purchase from the NNA will include all of your state required items: Notary bond, and Notary stamp. It's the best and most convenient way to make sure you have everything you need to become an Alabama Notary.

#### **Questions? Contact our Customer Care Professionals**

Email: <u>Services@NationalNotary.org</u> Website: <u>www.NationalNotary.org/AL/Become</u> Phone: 1-800-876-6827 (M-F, 6:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. PT)