

# **Alabama Notary Commission Process**

Step-by-Step Instructions to Begin My Notary Commission

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

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**Phone:** 1-800-876-6827 (M-F, 6:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. PT)

# ☐ 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
- Read and write English
- No felony convictions unless pardoned and had civil and political rights restored
- Approval by county probate judge required

#### ☐ Step 2

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

#### ☐ Step 3

I have contacted the NNA at 1-800-876-6827 if I did not provide my county at the time of my order. This information is needed to execute my bond, which will be mailed via USPS.

# ☐ Step 4

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### ☐ Step 5

I have completed the training program prepared by the Alabama Probate Judges Association and the Alabama Law Institute. Training can be accessed by following this link: <a href="https://alpja.org/?course=notary-public-training-course">https://alpja.org/?course=notary-public-training-course</a>

### ☐ Step 6

I have submitted my application for approval to the Office of the Probate Judge. When the application has been approved, a letter of appointment will be sent to me. I have scanned and emailed the commission letter to <a href="Releasing@NationalNotary.org">Releasing@NationalNotary.org</a> or faxed it to 1-800-833-1211 to activate my bond.

# ☐ Step 7

I have obtained my \$50,000 Notary bond and filed it with the county probate judge within 40 days of receiving my appointment letter. My commission certificate will be mailed to me.

#### ☐ Step 8

I will scan and email a copy of my commission certificate to <a href="mailto:Releasing@NationalNotary.org">Releasing@NationalNotary.org</a> or fax it to 1-800-833-1211 to have my Notary seal made.

#### ☐ Step 9

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