

GULF COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

**PROVISIONAL
LAW ENFORCEMENT EMPLOYMENT
APPLICATION FORM**

This application is for individuals who wish to seek employment with the Gulf County Sheriff's Office as a provisional employee to become a sworn law enforcement officer and transition to the position of Deputy Sheriff. Applicants must meet eligibility requirements for Deputy Sheriff, but are not required to possess a current FDLE/CJSTC Florida Law Enforcement Officer Certification. Preference will be given to residents of Gulf County.

The Sheriff's Office is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer. We consider applicants for all positions without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, marital status, religion or any other legally protected status.

DATE: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

Application must be typewritten or printed legibly in ink. All questions must be answered. Applications which are not complete will not be considered. If space provided is not sufficient for complete answers or you wish to furnish additional information, attach sheets of the same size as this application, and number answers to correspond with questions.

NOTICE: The following additional documents must be attached to this application:

1. A certified copy of birth certificate
2. A certified copy of high school diploma or Florida Police Standards approved G.E.D.
3. A copy of military discharge(s).

Applications must be submitted or mailed to the Gulf County Sheriff's Office, ATTN: Capt. Chris Buchanan, 418 Cecil G. Costin, Sr., Blvd., Port St. Joe, FL 32456. For more information, please contact Capt. Chris Buchanan at 850-227-1115 ext. 2728.

PERSONAL HISTORY

1. Full Name:

Last Name

First

Middle

Abbv.

2. Other: List all other names you have used including circumstances and time periods you used them. (For example: maiden name, former name(s), alias(es), or nickname(s)).

Name	Circumstance	Dates From Mo./Yr.	Dates To Mo./Yr.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

THIS INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO CONDUCT BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION ONLY!

1. Date and Place of Birth:

_____|_____|_____|_____|_____
Date of Birth City County State Country (if not the United States)

2. Are you a United States citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If naturalized, please provide: _____
Date Place

Court

Naturalization No.

3. Marital Status: ☐ Married ☐ Divorced ☐ Separated ☐ Widowed ☐ Never Married

4. Do you have or have you ever applied for a passport? ☐ Yes ☐ No Passport No. _____

5. Height: _____ Weight: _____

EDUCATION/TRAINING

1.	High School Name/Address	Dates Attended Mo./Yr.		Years Completed	Did You Graduate?	Type of Diploma
		From	To			

2.	*College/University Name/Address	Dates Attended Mo./Yr.		Credit Hours Earned		Did You Graduate?	Type of Degree
		From	To	Qtr.	Sem.		

*Attach diploma or official transcript from last institution of higher education attended.

Major _____ Minor _____

3. Other Schools (Trade, Vocational, Business or Military):

Name/Address	Dates Attended Mo./Yr.		Credit Hours Earned	Area of Study	Did You Graduate?	Type of Degree or Certificate
	From	To				

4. Describe any awards, honors, citations, positions held in school organizations, and any other special recognition you received while attending school:

5. Indicate any foreign languages you can:

	Fluent	Good	Fair
Speak:			
Read:			
Write:			

6. Indicate any law enforcement education/training:

7. Did you receive a certificate for this training? ☐ Yes ☐ No Certificate Number: _____

8. Has your law enforcement certificate ever been suspended, revoked, relinquished or subject to discipline or investigation by the CJST? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, explain

9. Describe any special abilities, interests, and hobbies including the degree of proficiency:

10. Indicate any type of special license such as pilot, radio operator, etc., showing licensing authority, where the license was first issued, and date current license expires (except vehicle operator's license):

11. Indicate any special skills you possess and equipment you can use which may be related to law enforcement work. (For example: two-way radio communications, breathalyzer, speed detection equipment, firearms, computers):

12. Have you had any training/education with K-9's? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, provide details:

13. Would you be willing to be transferred to a K-9 unit, if necessary? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(I understand that there is a lesser rate of pay for non-duty time devoted to the care and maintenance of the animal.)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

1. List chronologically all employment beginning with present employment, including summer and part-time employment while attending school. All time must be accounted for. If unemployed for a period, set forth dates of unemployment.

Name & Address of Employer	Dates Worked Mo./Yr.		Salary	Title or Position	Name of Supervisor	Reason for Leaving
	From	To				
Name				☐ Full ☐ Part-time		
Address						
City, State, Zip						
Area Code & Phone No.						
Name				☐ Full ☐ Part-time		
Address						
City, State, Zip						
Area Code & Phone No.						
Name				☐ Full ☐ Part-time		
Address						
City, State, Zip						
Area Code & Phone No.						
Name				☐ Full ☐ Part-time		
Address						
City, State, Zip						
Area Code & Phone No.						
Name				☐ Full ☐ Part-time		
Address						
City, State, Zip						
Area Code & Phone No.						

2. Have you ever been dismissed or asked to resign or had any disciplinary action taken against you from any employment or position you have held? ☐ Yes ☐ No

3. Have you resigned, or left a job by mutual agreement following allegations of misconduct or unsatisfactory job performance? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes to question #2 or #3, please provide details.

4. Have you ever applied to or performed paid or unpaid services for a law enforcement agency not listed as an employer? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please provide name of agency and date of application or service.

5. Do you own a business, or are you a partner or corporate officer in any business or organization not listed previously as a current or former employer? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please provide name and address of business, corporation or organization and describe your relationship or position.

RESIDENCES

1. Actual places of residence for past 10 years – list chronologically all addresses, including residences while at school and in military. For college on campus residences, give dormitory name, city and state. If residences in military service cannot be shown as street address, indicate complete military unit designation and location by city and state. If post office box, give location of post office.

Dates Mo./Yr.		Apt. No.	Street Address	City	County	State
From	To					

ARREST HISTORY/COURT DATA

1. Have you ever been arrested, charged or received a notice or summons to appear, convicted, pled nolo contendere or pled guilty to any criminal violation, regardless if the record was sealed or expunged? ☐ Yes ☐ No

2. Have you ever received a ticket or been charged with a traffic violation (exclude parking tickets)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

3. To your knowledge, has any member of your immediate family ever been arrested for other than traffic violations? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes to question #1, #2 or #3, list all such matters even if not formally charged, or no court appearance, or found not guilty, or nolo contendere to any charge for which adjudication was withheld, or matter settled by payment of fine or forfeiture of collateral. (Include your juvenile record and records of your arrest(s) which have been sealed, if any.)

Date	Place & Department	Charge	Court & Place	Disposition
Relative's Name	Place & Department	Charge	Court & Place	Disposition

Provide details for each response to question #1, #2, or #3:

4. Have you or your spouse ever been a plaintiff or defendant in a court action? (Include any liens, lawsuits, bankruptcy, domestic violence injunctions, etc.) ☐ Yes ☐ No If you answered yes, give date, place or court, case number, names of involved parties, nature of action, and final disposition.

5. Have you ever been detained by any law enforcement officer for investigative purposes or to your knowledge have you ever been the subject of or a suspect in any criminal investigation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

6. Have you ever been fingerprinted for any reason (arrest, job application, military, etc.)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes to questions #5 or #6, please provide details.

DRIVING HISTORY

1. Are you a licensed Florida automobile operator or chauffeur? ☐ Yes ☐ No License No.: _____

Date of Expiration: _____ Restrictions: _____

2. Do you hold or have you ever held an operator or chauffeur license in another state? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please provide state(s), name used and approximate dates license(s) was/were held.

3. Have you ever been denied issuance of a license or have you ever had a license suspended or revoked? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please provide complete details including why license was revoked.

4. Have you ever had automobile insurance refused, withdrawn, or revoked? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please provide complete details.

MILITARY HISTORY

1. Are you registered for Selective Service? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, your Selective Service Number: _____

Classification: _____ Date of Classification: _____

Address of Local Board: _____

2. Have you ever served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Branch of Service: _____ Highest Rank: _____

Serial #: _____ Duty Dates: From: _____ To: _____ From: _____ To: _____
From: _____ To: _____ From: _____ To: _____

3. Date and type of discharge: _____

4. Are you now or have you ever been a member of a reserve unit or the National Guard? ☐ Yes ☐ No

5. If yes state the branch of service, name and location of your unit and whether you attend drills, meetings, or camps:

6. Was any type of disciplinary action taken against you in the service? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please provide:

Date: _____ Place: _____

Nature of Offense: _____

Action Taken: _____

7. Have you ever served in the Armed Forces of a foreign country. ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please specify countries and dates.

8. **VETERANS' PREFERENCE:** Check the appropriate block if you are claiming veteran's preference. **Documentation substantiating your claim must be furnished at the time of application.**

- ☐ 1. A disabled veteran who has served on active duty in any branch of the United States Armed Forces, has received an honorable discharge, and has established the present existence of a service-connected disability that is compensable under public laws administered by the United States Department of Veteran's Affairs, or who is receiving compensation, disability retirement benefits, or pension by reason of public laws administered by the United States Veterans

Affairs and the United States Department of Defense.

- ☐ 2. The spouse of a person who has a total disability, permanent in nature, resulting from a service-connected disability, and who, because of this disability, cannot qualify for employment, or the spouse of a person missing in action, captured in line of duty by a hostile force, or forcibly detained or interned in line of duty by a foreign government or power.
- ☐ 3. A wartime veteran as defined in section 1.01(14), Florida Statutes, who has served at least one (1) day during a war time period. Active duty for training may not be allowed for eligibility under this paragraph.
- ☐ 4. The unremarried widow or widower of a veteran who died of a service-connected disability.
- ☐ 5. The mother, father, legal guardian, or unremarried widow or widower of a member of the United States Armed Forces who died in the line of duty under combat-related conditions, as verified by the United States Department of Defense.
- ☐ 6. A veteran as defined in section 1.01(14), Florida Statutes. Active duty for training may not be allowed for eligibility under this paragraph
- ☐ 7. A current member of any reserve component of the United States Armed Forces of the Florida National Guard.

NOTE: Under Florida law, if a numerically based selection process is used, points shall be added to the earned ratings of persons included in #1-7 above, as set forth in section 295.07, Florida Statutes. If a numerically based selection process is not used, preference in appointment shall be given first to those persons included in #1 and #2 above, and second to those persons included in #3 through #7 above. If an applicant claiming veterans' preference for a vacant position is not selected for the vacant position, he/she may file a complaint with the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs, 11351 Ulmerton Road, Suite 311-K, Largo, FL 33778-1630.

BUSINESS INTERESTS & LICENSES

- 1. Do you or have you ever owned any stock or interest in any firm, partnership or corporation dealing wholly or partly in the sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 2. Are you now issued or have you ever been issued a license to engage in a business or profession?
☐ Yes ☐ No
- 3. Was license ever cancelled, relinquished, suspended or revoked? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes to question #1, #2 or #3, please provide details including the type of license or certificate, the agency that issued the license, effective date of license and license number.

CREDIT DATA

1. Do you have any sources of income other than your salary or the salary of your spouse? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Specify each with an estimated annual amount.

2. Are you or your spouse indebted to anyone? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please list all debts over \$500. Be sure to include student loans and charge accounts. Also, list any debt where payment is **past due**, regardless of amount.

Creditor	Address	Amount	Loan or Account Number

3. Have you, your spouse, or a company controlled by you filed for bankruptcy? ☐ Yes ☐ No, or declared bankruptcy? ☐ Yes ☐ No, or had a legal judgment rendered against you for a debt? ☐ Yes ☐ No, or been subject to a tax lien? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes to any of these questions, please provide details.

ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP

1. List all clubs, societies of which you are or have been a member:

Name	City & State	Former	Present (list position held & describe activity)

2. Are you now or have you ever been a member of any foreign or domestic organization, association, movement, group or combination of persons which has adopted, or shows a policy of advocating or approving the commission of acts of force or violence to deny other persons their rights under the constitution of the United States, or which seeks to alter

the form of government of the United States by unconstitutional means? ☐ Yes ☐ No

3. Have you ever made a financial or other material contribution to any organization of the type described in question #2 above? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes to question #2 or #3, answer questions #4 and #5 also.
4. At the time of your membership, participation, or contribution, did you know of any unlawful aims of the organization? ☐ Yes ☐ No
5. Did you intend to promote any unlawful aims of the organization? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes to question #2, #3, #4, or #5, explain including name of organization and location.
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PERSONAL REFERENCES & ACQUAINTANCES

1. Personal References: Give three (3) references (not relatives, former or present employers, fellow employees, or school teachers) who are responsible adults of reputable standing in their communities, such as property owners, business or professional men or women, who have known you well for the past five (5) years. If retired, give former occupation.

Complete Name		Home Address: _____
(Last, First, Middle)		City, State & Zip: _____
Yrs. Acq.	Occupation	Home Phone: (____) _____
		Business Address: _____
		City, State & Zip: _____
		Business Phone: (____) _____

Complete Name		Home Address: _____
(Last, First, Middle)		City, State & Zip: _____
Yrs. Acq.	Occupation	Home Phone: (____) _____
		Business Address: _____
		City, State & Zip: _____
		Business Phone: (____) _____

Complete Name		Home Address: _____
(Last, First, Middle)		City, State & Zip: _____
Yrs. Acq.	Occupation	Home Phone: (____) _____
		Business Address: _____
		City, State & Zip: _____
		Business Phone: (____) _____

2. Social Acquaintances: Give three (3) social acquaintances in your own age group (including both sexes) who have known you well for the past five (5) years.

Complete Name		Home Address: _____
(Last, First, Middle)		City, State & Zip: _____
Yrs. Acq.	Occupation	Home Phone: (____) _____
		Business Address: _____
		City, State & Zip: _____
		Business Phone: (____) _____

Complete Name		Home Address: _____
(Last, First, Middle)		City, State & Zip: _____
Yrs. Acq.	Occupation	Home Phone: (____) _____
		Business Address: _____
		City, State & Zip: _____
		Business Phone: (____) _____

Complete Name		Home Address: _____
(Last, First, Middle)		City, State & Zip: _____
Yrs. Acq.	Occupation	Home Phone: (____) _____
		Business Address: _____
		City, State & Zip: _____
		Business Phone: (____) _____

EMPLOYEE HISTORY

**THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN MAY BE CONFIDENTIAL
AND NOT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION.**

1. Applicant's Current Address:

Address

City

County

State

Zip Code

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Telephone Number

E-Mail

2. Applicant's Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____

3. Spouse's Name and Address (if different):

Name

Address

City

County

State

Zip Code

4. Children's Names and Ages:

Name	Date of Birth	Address (if different than applicants)

5. Former Spouse(s) Name and Address:

Name

Address

City

County

State

Zip Code

6. Are you now able to participate in defensive tactics, firearms or physical training, operation of a motor vehicle, or otherwise perform the duties set forth in the job description or task analysis related to the position for which you applied? ☐ Yes ☐ No
7. This position may require a physical agility test, if such a test or examination is required, would you be able to take this test or examination? ☐ Yes ☐ No
8. Please provide name and address of next of kin or other person to be contacted in case of an emergency:

Name

Address

City

State

Zip Code

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Home Phone

Business Phone

9. Please provide the name and address of your personal or family physician to be contacted in case of an emergency:

Name

Address

City

State

Zip Code

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Business Phone

DRUG HISTORY

The information contained herein MAY BE a confidential medical record under the Americans with Disabilities Act if the applicant is a rehabilitated drug or alcohol abuser or under section 119.071(4)(b)1, Florida Statutes, if the disclosure of the medical information would identify the applicant.

1. Do you currently use any narcotic or controlled substance, such as cannabinoids, PCP, hallucinogen; methaqualone, hashish, cocaine, LSD, amphetamines, heroin, steroid, opiates, barbiturate, benzodiazepine, a synthetic narcotic, a designer drug, or any drug of a similar nature, or have you used such a narcotic or controlled substance within the last year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

2. Have you ever illegally experimented with or used any narcotic or controlled substance such as, but not limited to: cannabinoids, PCP, hallucinogen; methaqualone, hashish, cocaine, LSD, amphetamines, heroin, steroid, opiates, barbiturates, benzodiazepine, a synthetic narcotic, a designer drug, or any drug of a similar nature?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please complete the following:

a. Drug: _____

b. How taken: _____

c. Last time illegally experimented with or used: _____

3. Do you now or have you ever illegally obtained, possessed, supplied, or sold any narcotic or controlled substance such as, but not limited to: cannabinoids, PCP, hallucinogen; methaqualone, hashish, cocaine, LSD, amphetamines, heroin, steroid, opiates, barbiturates, benzodiazepine, a synthetic narcotic, a designer drug, or any drug of a similar nature?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please complete the following:

a. Drug: _____

b. Circumstances: _____

c. Number of times illegally obtained/possessed/supplied/sold: _____

d. First time illegally obtained/possessed/supplied/sold: _____

e. Last time illegally obtained/possessed/supplied/sold: _____

4. Do you now or have you within the last year, abused or illegally obtained, possessed or sold any prescription drug?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, provide details, including drug, date, and circumstances.

5. Do you claim to be a rehabilitated alcohol, narcotics or drug user of any of the controlled substances as set forth above? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, provide details.

I understand that the "Applicants Certification" applies in all respects to the responses provided in this "Confidential Employee History" and "Drug History."

Signature of the applicant as usually written

Date

Witnessed by:

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that my appointment or employment will be contingent upon the results of a complete background investigation. I am aware that any omission, falsification, misstatement or misrepresentation will be the basis for my disqualification as an applicant or my dismissal from the Sheriff's Office. I agree to the conditions and certify that all statements made by me on this application are true, correct and complete, to the best of my knowledge. I further fully understand and consent to a polygraph examination concerning the veracity of my responses to the information requested on this application or which is discovered as a result of the background investigation, or any physical examination or drug test. I also understand that I will be fingerprinted. I understand that this employment application shall become the property of the Sheriff's Office and that it and the information received in response to the background examination are public records.

I also understand that I may be required to furnish the Sheriff's Office with a copy of my Income Tax Return for the year preceding this application and for each year during my employment or appointment.

I further understand and agree that my employment or appointment will be contingent upon the results of a complete drug test and that I may be required to take drug tests during the term of my employment or appointment with the Sheriff's Office.

I understand that the use of drugs or alcohol is not permitted, during work or duty time, whether paid or unpaid, in the areas, including vehicles, where work is performed by employees or appointees.

I understand that my continued employment or appointment may be contingent upon the results of medical or psychological examinations that I may be required to take during the term of my employment or appointment and the maintenance of personal physical fitness, to the degree necessary, to satisfactorily perform the duties of my position or assignment with the Sheriff's Office.

I further authorize the Sheriff's Office or agent of the Sheriff's Office, without need of further authorization, to obtain medical records allowed by law if I claim rights to payment or receipt of any benefit pursuant to state or federal law.

I further agree to execute any authorization as may be required by the Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) for health care providers to release the necessary medical information to process my application for employment.

I understand and agree that any employment or appointment offered to me will be contingent upon my acceptance of compensatory time off, instead of cash, in payment for overtime hours that I work, to the extent allowed by law. I understand, however, that the Sheriff has the absolute discretion to periodically substitute cash, in whole or part, for my accrued compensatory time.

I authorize any of the persons or organizations referenced in this application to furnish information, personal or otherwise, regarding my ability and fitness for employment or appointment with the Sheriff's Office and I release all such parties from any and all liability for any damage that might result from furnishing such information to the Sheriff's Office.

I agree to conform to the rules, regulations and orders of the Sheriff's Office and acknowledge that these rules, regulations and orders may be changed, interpreted, withdrawn or added to by the Sheriff's Office, at its discretion, at any time and without any prior notice to me.

I understand an investigation will be conducted on all of the information listed on this application. Because of this, are you aware of any information about yourself or any person with whom you are or had been closely associated (including relatives, roommates) which might tend to reflect unfavorably on your reputation, morals, character or ability? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, provide your version or explain fully any such incident.

Signature of the applicant as usually written	Date

Witnessed by:

DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED TO APPLICATION

1. Attach a certified copy of birth certificate.
2. Attach a certified copy of high school diploma or Florida Police Standards approved G.E.D.
3. Attach a copy of military discharge(s).

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

When ordered by the Sheriff's Office, applicant will be fingerprinted and shall submit to a complete physical examination and electrocardiogram, if desired.

REMARKS

BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION WAIVER

Authority for Release of Information

TO: Concerned Person or
Authorized Representative of
Any Organization, Institution
or Repository of Records

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

SOCIAL SECURITY NO.: _____

EMPLOYING AGENCY REQUESTING BACKGROUND INFO: **GULF COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

I hereby authorize any employee or authorized representative bearing this release, or copy thereof, to obtain any information in your files pertaining to my employment records including, but not limited to, achievement, attendance, personal history, disciplinary records, medical records, credit records, and criminal history records. I hereby direct you to release such information upon request of the bearer. This release is executed with full knowledge and understanding that the information is for the official use of the requesting agency. Consent is granted for the agency to furnish such information, as is described above, to third parties in the course of fulfilling its official responsibilities. I hereby release you, as the custodian of such records, and employer, education institution, physician, hospital or other repository of medical records, credit bureau or consumer reporting agency, including its officers, employees, and related personnel, both individually and collectively, from any and all liability for damages of whatever kind, which may at any time result to me, my heirs, family or associates because of compliance with this authorization and request to release information, or any attempt to comply with it. A photocopy of this form will be as effective as the original.

I hereby authorize the National Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri, or other custodian of my military record to release information or photocopies from my military personnel and related medical records, including a photocopy of my DD 214, Report of Separation, to:

Gulf County Sheriff's Office
ATTN: Human Resources
418 Cecil G Costin Sr Blvd
Port St Joe, FL 32456

Florida State Statute 768.095 titled employer immunity from liability; disclosure of information regarding former employees states: — An employer who discloses information about a former employee's job performance to a prospective employer of the former employee upon request of the prospective employer or of the former employee is presumed to be acting in good faith and, unless lack of good faith is shown by clear and convincing evidence, is immune from civil liability for such disclosure of its consequences. For the purposes of this section, the presumption of good faith is rebutted upon a showing that the information disclosed by the former employer was knowingly false or deliberately misleading, was rendered with malicious purpose, or violated any civil right of the former employee protected under chapter 760.

Pursuant to Section 943.13 (4), (5) and (7) F.S., Chapter 2001-94, Laws of Florida, disclosure of information is required unless contrary to state or federal law. Civil penalties may be available for refusal to disclose non-privileged legally obtainable information.

Applicant's Signature _____

Date _____

Applicant's Address _____

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF _____

Before me personally appeared _____ who says that he/she executed the above instrument of his/her own free will and accord, with full knowledge of the purpose therefore. The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of _____ physical presence or _____ online notarization.

Sworn and subscribed in my presence this _____ day of _____, _____. My commission expires on _____, _____.

☐ Personally Known – **or** – ☐ Produced Identification

Notary Public

Type of Identification Produced: _____

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