

## Limited Governmental Notaries

Title 29 §4306(d) allows the Governor to appoint employees of certain qualified employers (Delaware State governmental agency or unit, or employees of a Delaware Police agency, whether state, local, county or municipal) as limited governmental notaries public. There are no application fees and the employee must submit both the limited governmental application form along with the employer approval form that must be completed by the employer.

Limited governmental notaries public serve the public but in a limited capacity. Unlike a traditional notary public, notaries appointed under this category can only perform duties established by their respective agencies and cannot charge a fee for a notarial act.

If a notary appointed under this category ends employment with the qualified employer, the commission is no longer valid and the notary must resign. If a notary leaves employment but transfers to another employer qualified under this category, the notary must notify the Secretary of State of such change within 30 days and the commission may be retained if the new employer completes an employer approval form and submits it to the Secretary of State.

The notary seal must comply with Title 29 §4310(a) except the expiration date statement shall be replaced with the phrase "My commission expires upon office."