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Good morning,

I do not think any changes are needed for notaries to receive or renew. I have seen no examples of violations by notaries of the exisiting rules, making further rules unneccessary and burdensome. The point of the notarization is to verify the signator - not the contents of the document. If the notary confirms the identity of the signator, and keeps the record in the notary book, that is enough. Any other liability should fall to the signer of the document. It is not the historical or the statutory obligation of the notary to verify anything but identity, and to require more is crossing into the unauthorized practice of law.

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