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To: Sos Rulemaking

Subject: Comments - working draft notary rules

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Regarding the new rules -

I don't like the idea of retesting to renew commission but if passed, will it be done online and at no cost?

I thought the NOTARY was responsible for the possession of their notary journal even if he/she leaves company. So does this mean, if the NOTARY decides not to be responsible for the journal and leaves it at a company - the company is now responsible to return journal to notary or turn in the journal to SOS? How will the company know of this rule?

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The main goals of the proposed rulemaking are to:

- Revise rules to be consistent with RULONA.
- Amend definitions to include "Legal Proceeding or disciplinary action based on the applicant's or notary public's fraud, dishonesty, or deceit" and "Misdemeanor involving dishonesty".
- Repeal rules that have been codified in RULONA.
- Amend rules to require notaries to take a notary course and pass an exam in order to renew their commissions.
- Amend rules to indicate availability of the online notary training option on the Colorado Secretary of State's website.
- Amend rules to require the re-approval of vendor curriculum and training materials every four years.
- Amend rules to clarify the use of Document Authentication Numbers (DANs) with respect to e-notarizations.
- Amend rules to specify that a notary's firm or employer in possession of a notary journal has the same responsibility as a notary concerning that journal.