From:

To: SoS Rulemaking

Subject: [[SPAM][GFI-SPF]] - Comments - working draft notary rules

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To Whom it May Concern,

Thank you kindly for the opportunity to comment on the proposed amendments to Colorado's Notary Program Rules.

As a new Colorado notary, I initially approved of the renewal requirement to complete training and pass an exam as at first thought I felt this would help me keep me further apprised of any changes within Colorado Notary Law, and/or serve as a refresher course, but I oppose the cost burden to myself, since at this time I don't notarize documents all that often and do not stand to gain from the requirement. From the stand point of good standing seasoned notaries and those who notarize often, I feel requiring training and testing to renew would be a major time and financial burden in their practices. Also the benefit to educational vendors seems to outweigh the benefit to notaries overall since a good majority of us don't make a profit to justify the expense of the required training, and many take on the responsibility themselves of keeping up with notary law changes anyway.

With regards to RULE 4 NOTARY JOURNAL REQUIREMENTS, it is clearly outlined that the notary's former employer or firm would be required to follow the same responsibility as a notary, which I think is good, but given the enormity of an employer's responsibility in managing their own business practices, I have a concern placing this added responsibility on them may open up potential oversights of the SoS requirements, and notary rules. Also, as a former health information technician, the journal in the care of a health institution may also need to comply with HIPAA requirements in conjunction with Colorado's Notary Program Rules and require the journal information requestors to fill out additional forms and permissions to retrieve said protected information.

I appreciate the opportunity to share my thoughts and concerns. I look forward to additional information in the near future.

Sincerely,

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