

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CONNECTICUT STATE AGENCIES

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Notice of Intent

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4-168(a) of the *Connecticut General Statutes* (CGS) the **Office of the Secretary of the State** hereby gives notice that it proposes to adopt a regulation concerning **Notaries Public**.

Comment period (See CGS section 4-168(a)(1)(A))

A comment period of not less than thirty days shall begin upon posting of this notice to the eRegulations System website and shall end on **March 7, 2025**.

Detailed description of the proposed regulation. (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(B))

The proposed regulation details the procedures that the Office of the Secretary of the State will follow when denying a Notary Public application and investigating complaints of Official Notary Public Misconduct.

Statement of the purposes for which the regulation is proposed. (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(C))

The proposed new regulation sets forth the procedure for Notary Public applications, investigations, and disciplinary action. This regulation describes the Secretary's reasons for denying a Notary Public application or labeling an application deficient. This regulation also standardizes the process for filing and investigating a complaint of Official Misconduct and the actions the Secretary can take upon the conclusion of an investigation. This regulation also describes the procedure for conducting hearings upon the Secretary's revocation and suspension of a Notary Public commission or denial of an application.

Statutory authority (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(D))

C.G.S. Sec. 3-94b, 3-94m

When, where and how to obtain a copy of the small business impact statement and, if applicable, the regulatory flexibility analysis required pursuant to Sec. 4-168a. (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(E))

Posted on the Regulation-Making Record on the eRegulations System.

When, where and how interested persons may present their views on the proposed regulation

(See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(F))

All comments should be submitted through the public comment feature on the eRegulations System.

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