

Instructions

After you have added in your own names and information replacing or erasing the items highlighted in red, simply change the text color back to black. Please note that the first name appearing needs to be the name your parents gave you at birth as it appears on your birth certificate, written in Upper and Lower Case, for example: Marjorie Anne Brown —not any variation.

If your birth name was John Mark Doe that is what needs to come after “I, the living man...” and it also needs to appear as “given lawful trade name” and that name also needs to be included in the list of variations. You can also claim any other names you may have used over the years and their variations—pen names, married names, adopted names, nicknames you are known by, abbreviations of your name, etc. Just make sure you list as many variations both in Upper and Lower Case and in all capitals as you know you have used or someone else might use in reference to you. At a very minimum, list the all capital variations that are known to be active--- JOHN DOE (Ward of the State), JOHN MARK DOE (Cestui Que Vie Trust) and JOHN M. DOE (Public Transmitting Utility).

Notice the difference in the notary block. It’s “Wisconsin State” not “State of Wisconsin”. It’s “Dane County” not “County of Dane”.

When you sign it, you will want to sign it in front of the notary in blue ink and you will want to seal the signature with your right thumbprint in red ink. Your thumbprint should touch but not obscure your signature. The “LS” behind your signature stands for “Living Soul”. The use of a “by-line” establishes your authorship of the text and ownership of the signature. You can also add a copyright symbol after your signature to further nail it down: