# **NOTARY** Quick Reference

\*\*Keep this handy little resource in your journal or with your stamp and follow these 5 steps before you notarize\*\*

### 1. REVIEW THE DOCUMENT

- Is the document complete?
- Get the journal information.

#### 2. IDENTIFY THE SIGNER

- Personal Knowledge
- Credible Witness
- ID Documents

# 3. DETERMINE THE SIGNER'S WILLING-NESS AND ABILITY TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IS BEING SIGNED.

#### 4. COMPLETE YOUR JOURNAL

- Date & Time of Notarization
- Type of Notarial Act
- Date of Document
- Type of Document
- Signer's Name & Contact Address
- Signer's Signature
- Identification Used

#### 5. COMPLETE THE CERTIFICATE

- State & County
- Type of Notarial Act
- Date of Notarization
- Signer's Name
- Signature of Notary
- Notary Stamp

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# PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE, CREDIBLE WITNESS OR ID REQUIRED

ID can be expired up to 3 years before date of notarization. ID means:

- A U.S. passport or officially recognized passport of a foreign country.
- A driver's license or ID card issued by any state.
- United States military ID card; ID card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe; or a document issued by the federal, state, county, or local govt. All must contain the person's photo and signature.

#### SAMPLE JURAT OATH

"Do you solemnly (swear) (affirm) that the statements in this document are true (so help you God)?"

# SAMPLE CREDIBLE WITNESS OATH

"Do you solemnly (swear)(affirm) under penalties of perjury that you personally know this person as (<u>name of person whose signature is to be notarized</u>), that he/she is the person named in the document, and that you have no financial interest in and are not a party to this transaction (so help you God)?"

# **SAMPLE CERTIFICATE**

State of Oregon

County of (county where notarized)

(Notarial act performed) before me on (date) by (name of signer).

NOTARY STAMP

**Notary Signature**