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Dear Mr. Secretary of State -

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Notary Proposed Rules. We believe that these Rules will improve notary practices statewide. The adoption of RULONA is a huge step forward for Colorado. The renewing notary training requirement is wise. Simply stated, it ensures that everyone is playing from the same playbook.

As a Colorado provider of notary training, non-clients contact me frequently with their notary questions. Often times, the questions asked make clear the notary has not received any training whatsoever. These questions usually center around the physical presence requirement, what type of notary certificate he or she should apply, notary embossers and the like. Requiring training for renewing notaries will greatly enhance the notarizations performed throughout the state.

Every now and then, we have a client who already thinks they are required to take a training to renew their notary commission. Once the training is complete, the comment from the notary is always the same: I didn't need to take the training, but I'm glad I did. After training, these notaries are equipped to fulfill their duty.

We recommend adoption of the Proposed Rules.

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