# AFFIDAVIT OF RESIDENCY

#### State of Texas County of Harris

I, the undersigned, being duly sworn, hereby affirm that:

- 1. My name is John Ingberg. My date of birth is February 16, 2000.
- 2. My social security number is:
- 3. I currently reside at the following address: 456 South Street, Houston, County of Harris, TX 80261.
- 4. I have been a resident at this address for 6 months.
- 5. The following people can attest to my residency at this location:

Name: Nicole Shelton Relationship to me: landlord

Name: Danie Ahn Relationship to me: roommate

Name: Ines Gomez Relationship to me: roommate

Signature

John Ingberg Printed Name

#### NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

State of Texas

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County of Harris )

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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by the undersigned, John Ingberg, who is personally known to me or satisfactorily proven to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument.

Signature

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

## What is an Affidavit of Residency?

An Affidavit of Residency is a sworn statement used to prove that a person lives at a specific address. The document is short and simple, but must be signed in the presence of a notary public. An affidavit of residency is used in a variety of circumstances, including verifying your residence in order to allow your child to attend a public school in a specific district. Common terms included in affidavits of residence are:

- Residence: the place a person lives with some permanence. For example, a hotel room is not a residence, but an apartment that is rented for six months is a residence for that time period. A residence can be a house, apartment, condominium, and may be owned or rented.
- Landlord: the person who owns the property that is being rented. A landlord's signature may be required on the affidavit, depending on its use.
- Length of Residency: the length of time a person has lived at the residence.
- Notary Public: The person who notarizes the affidavit of residency prior to submission to the intended party.

As a reference, an affidavit of residency is also called:

- Affidavit of Residence
- Proof of Residence Affidavit
- Proof of Residency Affidavit
- Residency Affidavit
- Notarized Affidavit of Residence
- Notarized Residency Letter

### When Do I Need One?

An affidavit of residency is required any time you need legal proof of where you are currently living. In some situations, presenting a driver's license and a utility bill with your name on it is all that is required to prove your residence, but in many situations you must provide a notarized affidavit of residency. If you are renting your home or have recently moved, you may not have the typical alternative proofs of address that are required, and can use an affidavit of residency instead.

#### The Consequences of Not Using One

Without an affidavit of residency, a public school cannot enroll your child in their program. If you have recently moved, you will not be able to apply for a driver's license, enroll in certain healthcare programs, or access other services without the affidavit.

While it may be tempting to use a relative's address or other misleading information on an affidavit of residency in order to register your child in a desired school district, remember that this is a sworn document. If it is discovered you have lied on your affidavit, your child may be immediately withdrawn from the school and you could face charges for making a false statement to public officials, perjury, or other crimes.

# The Most Common Situations of Using One

The most common situation for using this document is when registering a child for a public school after a move, or seeking in-state college tuition rates. They are also common as part of divorce proceedings involving children and after a move to a new state to apply for a driver's license.

A person can have more than one residence, and in this situation the address used on the affidavit of residency will depend on its purpose. For example, if you have a summer home at the beach, and a winter home where you live in during the school year, only use the winter home address on the affidavit of residency when registering your child in school because it is the only one that is applicable.

#### What Should the Affidavit Include?

A simple affidavit of residency includes:

- Your full legal name
- Address of your residence, and length of full-time resident at this address
- The names of others who live at that address with you
- The relationship you have with these individuals
- Required notary public language and signatures