



## APOSTILLE INFORMATION\*

### What is an Apostille?

An Apostille is a certificate issued by a designated authority in a country where The Hague Convention Abolishing the Requirement for Legalization of Foreign Public Documents, Apostille Convention, is in force. Apostilles authenticate the seals and signatures of officials on public documents such as birth, marriage, divorce, and death certificates, notariats, court orders, or any other document issued by a public authority, so that they can be recognized in foreign countries that are parties to The Hague Convention.

### Which office issues an Apostille?

In the United States, there are multiple designated Competent Authorities to issue Apostilles, and the authority to issue an Apostille for a particular document depends on the origin of the document in question:

- Federal executive branch documents, such as FBI background checks, are authenticated by the *U.S. Department of State Authentications Office*.
- State documents such as notarizations or vital records are authenticated by designated state competent authorities, usually the state Secretary of State.

### How and where do I request an Apostille? What documents are required? What is the cost?

Consult the website of the Secretary of State of the State where your document was issued and refer to the section regarding Authentications and/or Apostille. Refer to pages 2 and 3 below for a list of US States and the websites of the Secretaries of State. If you notice any discrepancies or errors with the links, please notify us by sending an email to [losangeles.matrimonio@esteri.it](mailto:losangeles.matrimonio@esteri.it).

For information and instructions on obtaining an Apostille / authentication for documents NOT issued in the United States of America, please contact the Vital Records department of the competent Italian Consulate/Embassy in whose jurisdiction the documents were originally issued.

*\*Some of the information contained in this document was obtained directly from <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/legal/travel-legal-considerations/internl-judicial-asst/authentications-and-apostilles.html>*



## US States and websites for Secretaries of State

STATE	WEBSITE FOR APOSTILLE INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS
Alabama	<a href="https://sos.alabama.gov/administrative-services/authentications">https://sos.alabama.gov/administrative-services/authentications</a>
Alaska	<a href="https://ltgov.alaska.gov/notaries-public/authentications-and-apostilles/">https://ltgov.alaska.gov/notaries-public/authentications-and-apostilles/</a>
Arizona	<a href="https://azsos.gov/services/authentication-and-apostille">https://azsos.gov/services/authentication-and-apostille</a>
Arkansas	<a href="https://www.sos.arkansas.gov/business-commercial-services-bcs/apostille-certification">https://www.sos.arkansas.gov/business-commercial-services-bcs/apostille-certification</a>
California	<a href="http://www.sos.ca.gov/notary/authentication/">http://www.sos.ca.gov/notary/authentication/</a>
Colorado	<a href="http://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/notary/apostilleHelp.html">http://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/notary/apostilleHelp.html</a>
Connecticut	<a href="https://portal.ct.gov/SOTS/Legislative-Services/Authentication-of-Documents-and-the-Apostille">https://portal.ct.gov/SOTS/Legislative-Services/Authentication-of-Documents-and-the-Apostille</a>
Delaware	<a href="https://corp.delaware.gov/apost_info/">https://corp.delaware.gov/apost_info/</a>
Florida	<a href="http://dos.myflorida.com/sunbiz/other-services/apostille-notarial-certification/">http://dos.myflorida.com/sunbiz/other-services/apostille-notarial-certification/</a>
Georgia	<a href="https://www.gsccca.org/notary-and-apostilles/apostilles/general-apostille-information">https://www.gsccca.org/notary-and-apostilles/apostilles/general-apostille-information</a>
Hawaii	<a href="http://ltgov.hawaii.gov/the-office/apostilles-and-certifications/">http://ltgov.hawaii.gov/the-office/apostilles-and-certifications/</a>
Idaho	<a href="https://sos.idaho.gov/notary/apostille/index.html">https://sos.idaho.gov/notary/apostille/index.html</a>
Illinois	<a href="http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/index/apostilles.html">http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/index/apostilles.html</a>
Indiana	<a href="https://www.in.gov/sos/business/4096.htm">https://www.in.gov/sos/business/4096.htm</a>
Iowa	<a href="https://sos.iowa.gov/business/pdf/APCERT.pdf">https://sos.iowa.gov/business/pdf/APCERT.pdf</a>
Kansas	<a href="http://www.kssos.org/business/notary_public/certifications.html">http://www.kssos.org/business/notary_public/certifications.html</a>
Kentucky	<a href="https://www.sos.ky.gov/bus/businessrecords/Pages/Apostilles-and-Authentications.aspx">https://www.sos.ky.gov/bus/businessrecords/Pages/Apostilles-and-Authentications.aspx</a>
Louisiana	<a href="https://www.sos.la.gov/NotaryAndCertifications/Certifications/AuthenticateSignaturesOfLouisianaOfficials/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.sos.la.gov/NotaryAndCertifications/Certifications/AuthenticateSignaturesOfLouisianaOfficials/Pages/default.aspx</a>
Maine	<a href="https://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/apostilles/">https://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/apostilles/</a>
Maryland	<a href="http://sos.maryland.gov/Certifications/Pages/default.aspx">http://sos.maryland.gov/Certifications/Pages/default.aspx</a>
Massachusetts	<a href="http://www.sec.state.ma.us/pre/precom/comidx.htm">http://www.sec.state.ma.us/pre/precom/comidx.htm</a>
Michigan	<a href="https://www.michigan.gov/sos/0,4670,7-127-1638_8734---,00.html">https://www.michigan.gov/sos/0,4670,7-127-1638_8734---,00.html</a>
Minnesota	<a href="https://www.sos.state.mn.us/notary-apostille/apostille-authentication/">https://www.sos.state.mn.us/notary-apostille/apostille-authentication/</a>
Mississippi	<a href="http://www.sos.ms.gov/BusinessServices/Pages/Apostilles-Authentications.aspx">http://www.sos.ms.gov/BusinessServices/Pages/Apostilles-Authentications.aspx</a>
Missouri	<a href="https://s1.sos.mo.gov/business/notary/notary/certify">https://s1.sos.mo.gov/business/notary/notary/certify</a>



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<b>Montana</b>	<a href="https://sosmt.gov/notary/apostilles/">https://sosmt.gov/notary/apostilles/</a>
<b>Nebraska</b>	<a href="http://www.sos.ne.gov/business/notary/not_auth.html">http://www.sos.ne.gov/business/notary/not_auth.html</a>
<b>Nevada</b>	<a href="https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/businesses/apostille">https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/businesses/apostille</a>
<b>New Hampshire</b>	<a href="http://sos.nh.gov/certs.aspx">http://sos.nh.gov/certs.aspx</a>
<b>New Jersey</b>	<a href="https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/apostilles.shtml">https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/apostilles.shtml</a>
<b>New Mexico</b>	<a href="https://www.sos.state.nm.us/notary-and-apostille/apostille-and-certifications/">https://www.sos.state.nm.us/notary-and-apostille/apostille-and-certifications/</a>
<b>New York</b>	<a href="https://www.dos.ny.gov/licensing/apostille.html">https://www.dos.ny.gov/licensing/apostille.html</a>
<b>North Carolina</b>	<a href="https://www.sosnc.gov/divisions/authentications/Apostille_Certificates">https://www.sosnc.gov/divisions/authentications/Apostille_Certificates</a>
<b>North Dakota</b>	<a href="https://sos.nd.gov/notaries-public/authentications-apostille-and-certification">https://sos.nd.gov/notaries-public/authentications-apostille-and-certification</a>
<b>Ohio</b>	<a href="https://www.sos.state.oh.us/records/apostilles-certifications/">https://www.sos.state.oh.us/records/apostilles-certifications/</a>
<b>Oklahoma</b>	<a href="https://www.sos.ok.gov/business/apostilles.aspx">https://www.sos.ok.gov/business/apostilles.aspx</a>
<b>Oregon</b>	<a href="https://sos.oregon.gov/business/pages/apostille.aspx">https://sos.oregon.gov/business/pages/apostille.aspx</a>
<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<a href="https://www.dos.pa.gov/OtherServices/Certifications_Apostilles/Pages/How-Do-I-Obtain-an-Apostille-or-Certification.aspx">https://www.dos.pa.gov/OtherServices/Certifications_Apostilles/Pages/How-Do-I-Obtain-an-Apostille-or-Certification.aspx</a>
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<a href="http://sos.ri.gov/divisions/Business-Portal/Certifications-Apostille-Goodstanding">http://sos.ri.gov/divisions/Business-Portal/Certifications-Apostille-Goodstanding</a>
<b>South Carolina</b>	<a href="https://www.scsos.com/Apostilles">https://www.scsos.com/Apostilles</a>
<b>South Dakota</b>	<a href="https://sdsos.gov/general-services/apostilles-authentications.aspx">https://sdsos.gov/general-services/apostilles-authentications.aspx</a>
<b>Tennessee</b>	<a href="https://sos.tn.gov/business-services/apostilles">https://sos.tn.gov/business-services/apostilles</a>
<b>Texas</b>	<a href="https://www.sos.state.tx.us/authinfo.shtml">https://www.sos.state.tx.us/authinfo.shtml</a>
<b>U.S. Department of State Authentications Office</b>	<a href="https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/legal/travel-legal-considerations/international-judicial-assistance/authentications-and-apostilles.html">https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/legal/travel-legal-considerations/international-judicial-assistance/authentications-and-apostilles.html</a>
<b>Utah</b>	<a href="https://authentications.utah.gov/">https://authentications.utah.gov/</a>
<b>Vermont</b>	<a href="https://www.sec.state.vt.us/archives-records/certifications-fees/apostilles-authentications.aspx">https://www.sec.state.vt.us/archives-records/certifications-fees/apostilles-authentications.aspx</a>
<b>Virginia</b>	<a href="https://www.commonwealth.virginia.gov/official-documents/authentications/">https://www.commonwealth.virginia.gov/official-documents/authentications/</a>
<b>Washington</b>	<a href="https://www.sos.wa.gov/corps/apostilles/howtoobtainanapostilleorcertification.aspx">https://www.sos.wa.gov/corps/apostilles/howtoobtainanapostilleorcertification.aspx</a>
<b>Washington D.C.</b>	<a href="https://os.dc.gov/service/authentications">https://os.dc.gov/service/authentications</a>
<b>West Virginia</b>	<a href="https://sos.wv.gov/business-licensing/apostilles-authentications/Pages/default.aspx">https://sos.wv.gov/business-licensing/apostilles-authentications/Pages/default.aspx</a>
<b>Wisconsin</b>	<a href="http://www.sos.state.wi.us/apostilles.htm">http://www.sos.state.wi.us/apostilles.htm</a>
<b>Wyoming</b>	<a href="http://soswy.state.wy.us/services/authentication.aspx">http://soswy.state.wy.us/services/authentication.aspx</a>



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Sacramento, CA 95814  
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Certified Attesté / Certificado	
5. at à / en	Los Angeles, California
6. the le / el día	3rd day of August 2021
7. by par / por	Secretary of State, State of California
8. No. sous n° / bajo el número	96637
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First Floor, Suite 103

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**State of Arizona**  
Department of State

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7. by par / por	the Secretary of State, State of Arizona	
8. No. sous n° / bajo el número	116095865	
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5. at: En / en	Las Vegas, Nevada, U.S.A.
6. the del día	TWENTY FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER, 2022
7. by: por / por	Barbara K. Czevasnki, SECRETARY OF STATE, STATE OF NEVADA, U.S.A.
8. Number número n.º	5321231092001
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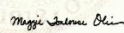
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SECRETARY OF STATE

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- acting in the capacity of State Registrar, State of New Mexico
- bears the seal/stamp of Isana Doster  
State of New Mexico

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- at Santa Fe, New Mexico
- the 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2022
- by the Secretary of State, State of New Mexico
- No. 134742
- Seal/Stamp:

Signature:  
  
Maggie Toulouse Oliver  
SECRETARY OF STATE

