

# eNotarization

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# Goals of the eNotarization Workgroup

- Assessment of the status of eNotarization in America  
Identify the most prominent barriers to adoption
- Discuss possible solutions
- Illuminate the benefits of adoption
- Help the vital act of notarization evolve to maintain its relevance in the electronic realm

# eNotarization Issues

- Notarization is still grounded in the paper world
- UETA is adopted in most states as are other laws
- More legal framework is still be questioned
- Each state sees eNotarization differently
- Gathering all the stakeholders needed



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# Non-Uniform e-Notary Requirements

- Arizona: Separate e-Notary commission
- Arkansas and Kansas: Notary's e-signature may only be created with a digital certificate issued by state C.A.
- Florida: e-Notary system at NIST level 3 authentication
- North Carolina and Pennsylvania: e-Notary vendors must be approved
- Delaware: One centralized statewide e-Notary system
- California: e-Journal/e-seal can't be stored in the cloud

# State Notary Regulator Attitudes

- Some want paper-based reforms implemented first
- One state doesn't want Notaries to perform e-notarizations
- One state with laws is stuck until rules are released
- One state says e-notarizations are not allowed because all notarizations must be performed with a physical seal
- One state's attorney general has quashed e-notarization
- Notaries are lower priority than elections
- Many say that demand for e-notarization is non-existent



# Discussion questions

- Why isn't eNotarization moving forward in pace with eRecording?
- How do we get state awareness and involvement?
- What are the key stakeholders doing to advance eNotarization?
- What are your questions on eNotarization?



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