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July 27, 2010

Dear Valued Customer,

After many discussions with several Ohio Bar Associations and a representative from the Ohio secretary of state's office, it has been determined that the notary stamp we currently manufacture on the Trodat 4915 and the Maxlight Slim stamp 2773, does not comply with standards set forth in Ohio Revised Code section 147.04. Previous administrations have interpreted this section differently.

Therefore, to comply with the standards in the O.R.C., we will no longer be able to manufacture the notary stamp with the seal on the Trodat 4915 or the Maxlight Slim 2773. I have attached a print out of the new setup, approved by the secretary of state's office, as well as a copy of the letter from the secretary of state's office, explaining their interpretation.

The sizes of stamp that will now accommodate the new layout are the Trodat 4926 and the Ideal 300 for the self-inking stamps. The pre-inked stamp is the Maxlight Slim 3679. These changes will be effective August 1.

If you have any questions concerning the notary change or anything else, please feel free to contact me at 614-235-2700 x104 or 1-800-875-3334 x104, or by email at qrsales@rohio.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'John Lawler'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping 'J' and 'L'.

John Lawler
President
Quality Rubber Stamp, Inc



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April 28, 2010

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Re: Notary Seal Specifications

Dear Mr. Lawler:

The secretary of state's office receives questions regarding the legal requirements for the notary seal from customers and vendors, and our office refers these customers to Ohio Revised Code section 147.04 which states, in relevant part, as follows:

"Before entering upon the discharge of his duties, a notary public shall provide himself with a seal of a notary public. The **seal shall consist of the coat of arms of the state within a circle one inch in diameter and shall be surrounded by the words "notary public," "notarial seal," or words to that effect, the name of the notary public and the words "State of Ohio."** The seal may be of either a type that will stamp ink onto a document or one that will emboss it. The name of the notary public may, instead of appearing on the seal, be printed, typewritten, or stamped in legible, printed letters near his signature on each document signed by him." (emphasis added)

Our office has interpreted this section to mean that the "coat of arms of the state" must be within a circle one inch in diameter, the size of the coat of arms is irrelevant, but it must be within the one inch circle. And, outside of the one inch circle, the words as listed above must appear.

I have enclosed an example of a seal that would meet these legal requirements. Please contact me with any additional questions at aclark@sos.state.oh.us or (614) 466-0952.

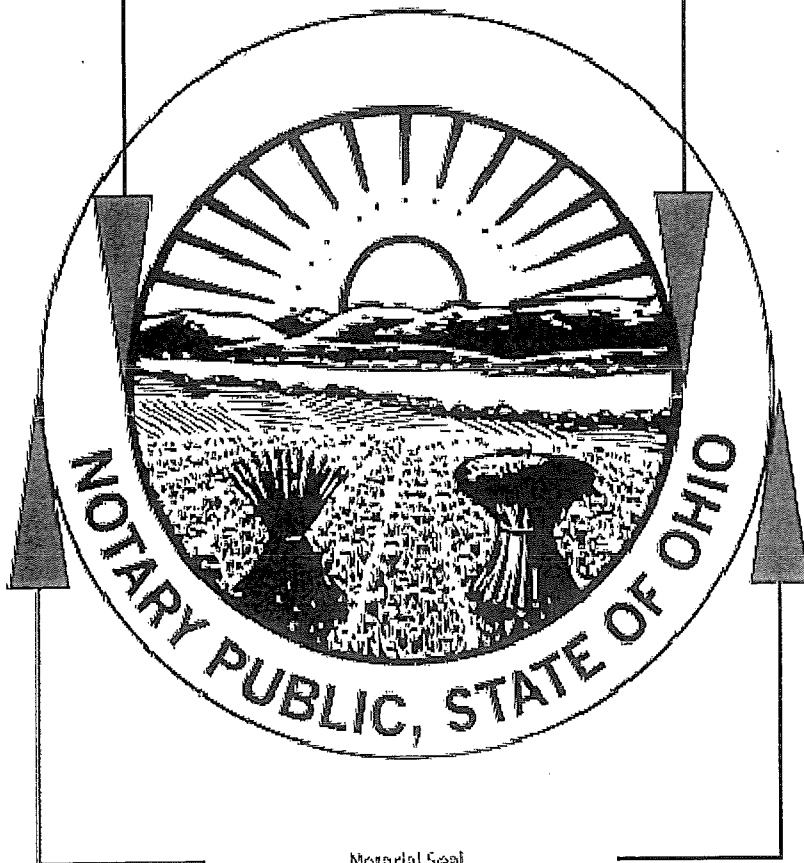
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Allison A. Clark".

Allison A. Clark
Senior Corporations Counsel

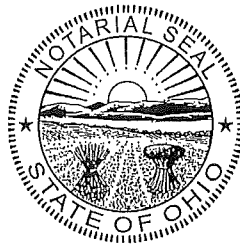
Enclosure

Coat of Arms -
must be within a circle one inch in diameter



Notarial Seal
includes 1" Coat of Arms - plus surrounding words of
independent size

7/27/2010 - New Notary Layout



JENNIFER L. LISZCZ
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires 7-22-07