

STATE OF FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 13-259
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Sherri Owens, is presently serving as a Notary Public of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, this Office received a complaint reporting Sherri Owens for notary misconduct;

and

WHEREAS, the complainant states that Sherri Owens notarized a document outside the geographical bounds of the State of Florida and did not complete a notarial certificate with all of the required information, in violation of Sections 117.01(1) and 117.05(4)(a)-(h), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2013, after Sherri Owens confirmed the above stated violations, this Office required the immediate resignation of Sherri Owens from her commission as a notary public, pursuant to Section 117.01(5)(b), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, to date, this Office has not received the required resignation of Sherri Owens; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of the State of Florida that Sherri Owens be immediately suspended from the public office, which she now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this Executive Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 of the Florida Constitution and Section 117.01(4), Florida Statutes, find and state as follows:

- A. Sherri Owens is a duly appointed Notary Public of the State of Florida, pursuant to Section 117.01, Florida Statutes.
- B. Sherri Owens is commissioned as a Florida notary public from September 7, 2012, through September 6, 2016.
- C. Sherri Owens notarized a document outside of the boundaries of the state, in violation of Section 117.01(1), Florida Statutes.

D. Sherri Owens failed to complete a notarial certificate with all of the required information, in violation of Section 117.05(4), Florida Statutes.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premise, and in accordance with the Florida Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued

Section 1. Sherri Owens is suspended from the public office which she now holds: Notary Public of the State of Florida.

Section 2. Sherri Owens is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of this public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of this public office during the period of suspension, which period shall begin, today, until further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 11th day of September, 2013.

Handwritten signature of Rick Scott in black ink.

RICK SCOTT, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Handwritten signature of Ken Retzner in black ink.

SECRETARY OF STATE

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