## New Jersey

## P.L. 2021, CHAPTER 179 8

- 13. Section 10 of P.L.1979, c.460 (C.52:7-19) is amended to read as follows: C.52:7-19 Certificate of notarial act.
- 10. Certificate of Notarial Act.
- a. A notarial act shall be evidenced by a certificate. The certificate shall:
- (1) be executed contemporaneously with the performance of the notarial act;
- (2) be signed and dated by the notarial officer;
- (3) identify the jurisdiction in which the notarial act is performed;
- (4) contain the title of office of the notarial officer; and
- (5) if the notarial officer is a notary public, indicate the date of expiration of the officer's commission.
- b. A certificate of a notarial act is sufficient if it meets the requirements of subsection a. of this section and:
- (1) is in a short form set forth in section 21 of P.L.2021, c.179 (C.52:7-10.12);
- (2) is in a form otherwise permitted by the law of this State;
- (3) is in a form permitted by the law applicable in the jurisdiction in which the notarial act was performed; or
- (4) sets forth the actions of the notarial officer which shall meet the requirements provided in P.L.1979, c.460 (C.52:7-10 et seq.), as amended and supplemented by P.L.2021, c.179 (C.52:7-10.1 et al.) and any other applicable laws of this State.
- c. By executing a certificate of a notarial act, a notarial officer certifies that the officer has made the determinations specified by P.L.1979, c.460 (C.52:7-10 et seq.), as amended and supplemented by P.L.2021, c.179 (C.52:7-10.1 et al.).
- d. A notarial officer may not affix the officer's signature to, or logically associate it with, a certificate until the notarial act has been performed.
- e. If a notarial act is performed regarding a tangible record, a certificate shall be part of, or attached to, the record.
- f. If a notarial act is performed regarding an electronic record, the certificate shall be affixed to, or logically associated with, the electronic record.
- g. If the State Treasurer has established standards pursuant to P.L.1979, c.460 (C.52:7-10 et seq.), as amended and supplemented by P.L.2021, c.179 (C.52:7-10.1 et al.) for attaching, affixing, or logically associating the certificate, the process shall conform to the standards.