

Statutory Declaration

Statutory Declaration made in Victoria Instructions for completion of Statutory Declarations

The form of statutory declaration for use in Victoria which was previously contained in the Evidence Act 1958 has been abolished. There is now no prescribed form of statutory declaration.

1. The DECLARANT must sign the Declaration where indicated.
2. The WITNESS before whom the Declaration is made must:
 - a) complete the place (suburb or town) where the Declaration is made and the date thereof;
 - b) sign where indicated and underneath his signature print the following:
 - I. his full name;
 - II. his address
 - III. his qualification

Since the coming into operation of the Magistrates' Court Act 1989, any of the following persons may witness the signing of a statutory declaration within Victoria:

- A Justice of the Peace or Bail Justice
- A notary public
- A barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court
- A clerk to a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court
- The Prothonotary or a Deputy Prothonotary of the Supreme Court
- The Registrar or a Deputy Registrar of the County Court
- The Principal Registrar of the Magistrates Court
- The Registrar or Deputy Registrar of the Magistrates Court
- The Registrar of Probates or an Assistant Registrar of Probates
- The associate to a Judge of the Supreme Court or of the County Court
- The secretary of a Master of Supreme Court or of the County Court
- A person registered as a patent attorney under Part XV of the Patents Act 1952 of the Commonwealth
- A member of the police force
- The Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff
- A member or former member of either House of the Parliament of Victoria
- A member or former member of either House of the Parliament of the Commonwealth
- A councillor of a municipality
- A town clerk or shire secretary
- A legally qualified medical practitioner
- A dentist
- A veterinary surgeon
- A pharmacist
- A principal in the teaching service
- The manager of a bank
- A member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia or the Australian Society of Accountant or the National Institute of Accountants
- The secretary of a building society
- A minister of religion authorised to celebrate marriages
- A person who holds an office in the public service that is prescribed as an office to which s107a of the Evidence Act 1958 applies
- A fellow of the Institute of Legal Executives (Victoria)

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I, _____ of _____
do solemnly and sincerely declare **THAT:**

AND I acknowledge that this declaration is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false declaration is liable to the penalties of perjury.

Declared at		Before me Signature of Witness	
In the State of		Name of Witness in block letters	
This	Day of	Title and qualification of Witness	
Signature of person making the declaration		Address of Witness	

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