

## USE OF THIS FORM

This form is used when no birth certificate exists for a person born in the United States or when a U.S. birth certificate was filed more than a year after birth. This form, or a written statement that includes all of the information on this form, must be filled out by a close blood relative (for example, an older brother or sister) who has personal knowledge of the details of the passport applicant's birth or by a person who was personally involved in the passport applicant's birth (for example, the attending physician).

- The person filling out this form is the affiant.
- The form is an affidavit. An affidavit is a signed written statement that an affiant swears or affirms is true.
- The form is submitted with an application for a U.S. passport.

## AFFIANT (The person filling out this form)

The affiant is the person who has personal knowledge of and remembers the passport applicant's birth (e.g., a close blood relative or attending physician).

- The affiant must remember and explain the passport applicant's birth in detail.
- The affiant must submit a clear photocopy of the front and back of the valid identification the affiant presented to the passport agent, passport acceptance agent, or notary.
- The affiant must sign the form or written statement in front of a passport agent, passport acceptance agent, or notary.
- The date of the affiant's signature must be the same as the date of the passport agent, passport acceptance agent, or notary's signature.

## PASSPORT APPLICANT (The person applying for the passport)

The passport applicant must submit the following:

- Early public records (e.g., baptismal certificate, hospital birth certificate, early school records)
- Delayed birth certificate or Letter of No Record (showing no birth certificate exists)
- Form *DS-10, Birth Affidavit* completed and signed by the person with personal knowledge of the passport applicant's birth in front of a passport agent, passport acceptance agent, or notary
- Form *DS-11, Application for a U.S. Passport*

Please visit [travel.state.gov/citizenship](http://travel.state.gov/citizenship) for more information about the requirements for a delayed birth certificate and Letter of No Record. Birth certificates and Letters of No Record are available from the vital records office in the state you were born. Requests for copies of this affidavit should be made at the time of execution.

## WARNING

False statements made knowingly and willfully in passport applications, including affidavits or other supporting documents submitted to support this application, are punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under U.S. law, including provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001, 18 U.S.C. 1542, and/or 18 U.S.C. 1621. Alteration or mutilation of a passport issued pursuant to this application is punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1543. The use of a passport in violation of the restrictions contained herein or of the passport regulations is punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under 18 U.S.C. 1544. All statements and documents are subject to verification.

## PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

**AUTHORITIES:** Collection of this information is authorized by 22 U.S.C. 211a et seq.; 8 U.S.C. 1104; Executive Order 11295 (August 5, 1996); and 22 C.F.R. parts 50 and 51.

**PURPOSE:** We are requesting this information in order to determine the place of birth of an applicant for a U.S. passport. The collection of the Social Security number will be used to verify the identity of you (the affiant) and for no other purpose unless authorized by law.

**ROUTINE USES:** This information may be disclosed to another domestic government agency, a private contractor, a foreign government agency, or to a private person or private employer in accordance with certain approved routine uses. These routine uses include, but are not limited to, law enforcement activities, employment verification, fraud prevention, border security, counterterrorism, litigation activities, and activities that meet the Secretary of State's responsibility to protect U.S. citizens and non-citizen nationals abroad. More information on the routine uses for the system can be found in System of Records Notices State-05, Overseas Citizen Services Records and Other Overseas Records, and State-26, Passport Records.

**DISCLOSURE:** Providing your (the affiant's) Social Security number and other information on this form is voluntary. Given the form's purpose of verification of identity and place of birth of an applicant for a U.S. passport, failure to provide the information may result in processing delays or denial of the passport application.

## PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT STATEMENT

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 40 minutes per response, including the time required for searching existing data sources, gathering the necessary data, providing the information and/or documentation required, and reviewing the final collection. You do not have to supply this information unless this collection displays a currently valid OMB control number. If you have comments on the accuracy of this burden estimate and/or recommendations for reducing it, please send them to: Passport Forms Officer, U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Passport Services, Office of Program Management and Operational Support, 44132 Mercure Cir, PO Box 1199, Sterling, Virginia 20166-1199.

