

Certificate of Trust (Strictest-Common-Denominator Build)

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Model statute: Utah 75B-2-1013 (2025 renumbering)

Served states: All 50 states + DC except Louisiana (DECLINE per Track C)

Operator language only. This document confirms trust existence and trustee authority without disclosing full trust terms. It does not state tax outcomes, tax status, or tax objectives. References to the Internal Revenue Code are for definitional incorporation only and do not express any tax purpose, objective, or expectation.

WHAT YOU ARE SIGNING

This is a Certification of Trust (also called a "Certificate of Trust"). It is a short document that proves the Trust exists and tells third parties (banks, title companies, brokers) what the Trustee is allowed to do. It does not give away your trust terms or beneficiary information.

At the bank counter, bring this certificate plus: your government-issued photo ID (every trustee who will sign), and be ready to complete a signature card and a Form W-9 in the trust's name (EIN if the trust has one). The Funding Guide §3.2 has the full checklist.

What this document does:

- Confirms the Trust exists and was signed by the Settlor
- Identifies the Trustee(s) and their powers
- States whether the Trust is revocable or irrevocable
- Provides the Trust's tax ID number and how title is held

What this document does _not_ do:

- It does not disclose the full Trust Agreement
- It does not list all beneficiaries by name
- It does not state tax advice or tax objectives

After you sign:

1. Keep the original with your important papers.
2. Provide copies to banks, brokers, and title companies as needed.
3. If you own real property, the deed should already be in the Trust's name.

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CERTIFICATION OF TRUST (CONTENTS)

The undersigned Trustee, acting under authority of the Trust described below, hereby certifies the following:

1. *Existence of Trust and Date of Execution.*

The trust described in this Certification exists and was executed on: _____

2. *Identity of Settlor.*

The Settlor of the Trust is: _____

3. *Identity of Currently Acting Trustee(s).*

The currently acting Trustee(s) is/are: _____

Address of each currently acting Trustee: _____ [Required in SD (SDCL 55-4-51(3)), AK (AS 13.36.079(a)(3)), OK (60 O.S. § 1609.7(A)(3)), and WA (RCW 11.98.075(1)(c)); include for every certification.]

4. *Powers of the Trustee Relevant to This Transaction.*

The Trustee has the power to: (a) manage, invest, and reinvest Trust Property; (b) distribute Income and Principal to Beneficiaries in accordance with the terms of the Trust; (c) borrow and lend funds; (d) maintain bank and brokerage accounts; (e) execute documents necessary to administer the Trust; and (f) perform any other act permitted by applicable law and the terms of the Trust.

5. *Revocability.*

[For revocable trusts:] This Trust is revocable. The power to revoke is held by: the Settlor.

[For irrevocable trusts:] This Trust is irrevocable. No person has the power to revoke this Trust except as expressly provided in the Trust Agreement.

6. *Co-Trustee Authority and Signature Authority.*

[If one trustee:] The Trustee may act independently and may sign alone to transact business of the Trust.

[If co-trustees:] The co-trustees may exercise their authority: [independently / by majority / by unanimous action – per the Trust Agreement]. Each co-trustee may sign checks, contracts, and account documents individually. [SELECT: state the authority that matches the Trust Agreement.]

7. *Form of Title.*

Title to trust property is held as follows: "[Trust Name], dated [Date], and any amendments thereto, [Trustee Name], Trustee."

8. *Trust Identification Number.*

The taxpayer identification number of the Trust is: _____

9. *Other Name for Transacting Business.*

[SELECT: The Trust may transact business under the name: _____ / The Trust transacts business under no other name.]

10. *Statement of Non-Revocation.*

The Trust has not been revoked, modified, or amended in any manner that would cause the certification to be incorrect, and the persons signing this Certification are the currently acting trustee(s) of the Trust.

STATE-SPECIFIC CERTIFICATE FIELDS (complete only for the listed situs states)

South Dakota (SDCL 55-4-51) — complete for an SD situs; omit otherwise:

1. Previous name of the Trust, if the Trust has changed names: _____

2. Name of each original Trustee: _____

3. Court supervision: ☐ The Trust is not supervised by a court. ☐ The Trust is supervised by: _____; restrictions imposed by the court: _____

4. Description of any property to be conveyed by the Trustee, if applicable: _____

(SD signature clause: the person signing acknowledges or verifies under oath before a notary public or other official authorized to administer oaths — use the Acknowledgment or Jurat block in EXECUTION.)

California (Prob. Code § 18100.5(b)(8)) — complete when the certification is presented for or recorded against real property:

Legal description of any interest in real property held in the Trust: _____

Idaho (Idaho Code § 68-115) — complete for an ID situs:

Governing jurisdiction of the Trust: _____

Trust identification number type: ☐ Social Security number ☐ Employer identification number

Nevada (NRS 164.410(1)(g)) — expected for an NV-routed certification:

Situs/domicile of the Trust: _____

Governing law of the Trust: the laws of the State of _____

Routed-flow note (SD/NV trustee selection): a certification naming an SD or NV trust company as the currently acting Trustee must be presented together with the trustee-substitution chain — the predecessor trustee's written resignation, the written appointment of the trust company, and the trust company's signed acceptance (Base Instrument §10.5, Appointment and Acceptance). Banks verifying the certification may demand these designation documents.

Reliance. Any third party may rely on this Certification of Trust. A person may in good faith request additional information and may require a copy of the portion of the Trust Agreement that designates the trustee(s) and states their authority, before acting in reliance on this Certification.

[PER-STATE FLAG: The beneficiary-name-and-address item required by some states is intentionally omitted from this model for privacy and staleness reasons; include it only where the situs state's statute or a recipient institution requires it, per the per-state notes below.]

EXECUTION

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, every currently acting Trustee has executed this Certification of Trust as of the date first written above. [If co-trustees serve, EACH co-trustee must sign — a single signature does not satisfy all-trustee-signing rules in several states. CA: Prob. Code § 18100.5(c) requires the certification to be an acknowledged declaration signed by ALL currently acting trustees — see the Per-State Execution Forms table at the end of this document.]

Date: _____

TRUSTEE:

Trustee Name

Trustee Address: _____ [Include for every certification; required in SD (SDCL 55-4-51(3)), AK (AS 13.36.079(a)(3)), OK (60 O.S. § 1609.7(A)(3)), and WA (RCW 11.98.075(1)(c)).]

[If co-trustees:]

CO-TRUSTEE:

Co-Trustee Name

Co-Trustee Address: _____

Acknowledgment (default execution form — use unless the situs state's form differs; see the Per-State Execution Forms table at the end of this document).

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 20_____, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared _____ (Trustee), proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to this Certification of Trust, and acknowledged that he/she executed it as the currently acting Trustee of the Trust named above.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Jurat / Verification (select where the situs state requires a sworn certification — SD alternative "verified under oath," IA alternative "subscribed and sworn," MI affidavit form).

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 20_____, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared _____ (Trustee), and, being first duly sworn upon oath, certified that the statements made in this Certification of Trust are true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Penalty-of-Perjury Endorsement (select where permitted — IA alternative).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the law of the State of _____ that the statements made in this Certification of Trust are true and correct.

Date: _____ Trustee Signature: _____

PER-STATE VARIANT NOTES (Comment Block)

The following comment block identifies state-specific execution and content variants for the Certificate of Trust. These are notes for the addendum module author and the attorney reviewer; they do not form part of the certificate itself. [ASSEMBLY-STRIP: before client assembly, strip this entire comment block, every VERIFIED/CORRECTION pedagogical line (including "Fix line above" / "Update line above" notes), the [PER-STATE FLAG] note, all [SELECT] selectors, and the STATE-SPECIFIC CERTIFICATE FIELDS block – tracked in the marker-strip audit lane.]

Alabama (AL)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor; no specific cert form.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content per 75B-2-1013 equivalent.

Alaska (AK)

- Execution: Trust in writing, executed by settlor (AS 13.36.040).
- Certificate: AS 13.36.079; signed by any trustee (no acknowledgment required).
- DAPT: Qualified transfer affidavit (AS 34.40.113) required for DAPT status.
- AS 13.36.079 — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (akleg.gov): (a) cert items: trust existence + execution date; settlor identity; identity+address of acting trustee; trustee powers; revocability + holder of power to revoke; co-trustee sign/authenticate authority; trust TIN; manner of taking title. (b) signed by any trustee. (c) non-revocation statement required. (d) dispositive terms not required. (e) excerpts on request. (f)-(j) reliance, enforcement, \$1,000 bad-faith penalty, costs/fees, judicial exception. NOTE: template line above says "requires acknowledgment" — statute does not require acknowledgment; signature by any trustee suffices.

Arizona (AZ)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Arkansas (AR)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

California (CA)

- Execution: Non-UTC; trust in writing, signed by settlor (Prob. Code §18100.5).
- Certificate: Requires acknowledged declaration by ALL acting trustees.
- Community property: Trust funded with community property may be characterized as CP.
- Prob. Code §18100.5 — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (official login: [leginfo.legislature.ca.gov](https://leginfo.ca.gov), enrolled 2025 text): (b) items 1-8: existence + date; settlor + acting trustee identities; powers; revocability; signature authority (all or less than all); trust TIN; manner of title; legal description of real property. (c) must be an ACKNOWLEDGED DECLARATION signed by ALL currently acting trustees + non-revocation statement; may be recorded. (d) dispositive terms not required; excerpts optional. (e)-(j) reliance/enforcement.

Colorado (CO)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: C.R.S. §15-5-1013; standard UTC content.

Connecticut (CT)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Delaware (DE)

- Execution: Non-UTC; trust in writing, executed by settlor (12 Del. C. §3501).
- Certificate: 6 Del. C. §3810 (Statutory Trust Certificate) for business trusts; DST requires SOS filing.
- No residency requirement for trustee.
- VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (delcode.delaware.gov): 12 Del. C. §3501 = court appointment of trustee when appointee out of jurisdiction/incapacitated — NOT a trust-creation or certification statute; do not cite for execution. 6 Del. C. §3810 = wrong title — the statutory-trust "Certificate of trust" is 12 Del. C. §3810 (certificate filed with Secretary of State). The certification-of-trust statute for persons dealing with a trustee is 12 Del. C. §3591: (a)(1)-(7) existence + date; trustor(s) + acting trustee(s); powers; revocability; co-trustee signing authority; TIN; manner of taking title. (b) acknowledged writing, signed by any trustee. (c) non-revocation statement. (d) dispositive terms not required. (e)-(h) excerpts, reliance, enforcement, bad-faith damages.

District of Columbia (DC)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Florida (FL)

- Execution: Trust executed by settlor and delivered to trustee (Fla. Stat. §736.0201).
- Certificate: Fla. Stat. §736.1017 (renumbered from §736.1105); trustee may furnish certification.
- Homestead: Trust property may be subject to homestead protections (Fla. Stat. §736.1108).
- Fla. Stat. §736.1017 (renumbered from former §736.1105 in the 2025 FTC recodification) — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (flsenate.gov 2025 statutes): (1)(a)-(h) existence + date; settlor; identity+address of acting trustee; powers; powers of direction + trust directors (FL-specific); revocability; co-trustee signing authority; manner of title. No TIN item. (2) signed by any trustee. (3) non-revocation statement. (4) dispositive terms not required. (5)-(9) excerpts, reliance, enforcement, bad-faith damages, judicial exception. Update line above: cert statute cite is §736.1017 (not §736.1105).

Georgia (GA)

- Execution: Non-UTC; Revised Trust Code (2010).
- Certificate: Recording in recordable form with clerk of superior court permitted.
- O.C.G.A. § 53-12-280 "Certification of trust by trustee" — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (number confirmed in 2025 code; text cross-checked via Justia mirror — official Lexis GACode paywalled): (b) cert may state "some or all": existence + date + amendments; each settlor; each current trustee + which must act; relevant powers + restrictions; revocability; titling of trust property; no third-party consent needed except as disclosed; other info trustee deems appropriate. (c) signed by EACH trustee + non-revocation statement. Recording in recordable form with clerk of superior court permitted. GA remains PARTIAL — attorney to confirm whether cert module applies.

- Note: per-state verified corrections as of 2026-09-27 — UT cert statute 75B-2-1013 (verified), TX acknowledgment Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 121.001 (verified); IL coroner-statute error (55 ILCS 5/3-3001) removed and IL hedged to [ATTORNEY-CONFIRM].

Hawaii (HI)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Idaho (ID)

- Execution: Non-UTC; trust in writing, executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Affidavit signed by ALL trustees required (stricter than UTC).
- Community property: Trust funded with community property may be characterized as CP.
- Idaho Code § 68-115 "Contents of Certification of Trust" — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (legislature.idaho.gov): (1) may confirm: existence + date; settlor AND each acting trustee; powers + restrictions; revocability; whether ALL must act or less than all; trust TIN + whether SSN or EIN (ID-specific); governing jurisdiction; form of title. NOTE: ID is an affidavit-practice state — (2) signature by trustee under penalty of perjury; notary not mandatory. (3) non-revocation statement. (4) dispositive terms not required. (5) excerpts on request. (6)-(9) reliance/enforcement.

Illinois (IL)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content per 75B-2-1013 equivalent.
- Governing law override: 760 ILCS 3/107(b) — law of Illinois governs while admin is in IL.

Indiana (IN)

- Execution: Non-UTC; trust in writing, executed by settlor.
- Certificate: May contain dispositive terms (stricter than UTC).
- [CITATION-NEEDED (INVALID): cited section "Indiana Code § 30-4-12-1013" does not exist. Citation INVALID; correct cite IC 30-4-4-5 (certification of trust); confirm 2026 chapter renumbering before finalizing IN module. Statutory text UNVERIFIED — attorney to pull IC 30-4-4-5 text and confirm content/signature requirements (including the "may contain dispositive terms" content claim, which remains unverified against the statute) before finalizing the IN module.]

Iowa (IA)

- Execution: Non-UTC; trust in writing, executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Requires penalty of perjury or notary.
- Iowa Code § 633A.4604 "Certification of trust" (Iowa Trust Code, Part 6) — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (legis.iowa.gov official chapter text): (1) may present in lieu of trust instrument. (2) must: a) names of all currently acting trustees; b) if >1, whether act individually/majority/unanimous; c) statement trust not revoked/modified/amended in a manner making representations incorrect; d) signed by currently acting trustee or attorney of acting trustee; e) dated + certified under penalty of perjury per Iowa law OR subscribed and sworn before notary per ch. 9B. (3) need not contain dispositive provisions. (4) recipient

may require excerpts + proof of identity. (5) reasonable reliance — no liability; 10-business-day verification window.

Kansas (KS)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Kentucky (KY)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.
- Community property: KY is a CP opt-in state (not true CP).

Louisiana (LA)

- DECLINE — Not served. Louisiana requires authentic act (notary + 2 witnesses) or private signature + 2 witnesses + acknowledgment. Forced heirship (legitime) constrains trust planning. Trust terms limited to ~50 years. See Track C DECLINE list.

Maine (ME)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Maryland (MD)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Massachusetts (MA)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Michigan (MI)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: MCL 700.7913 — signed/authenticated by settlor, any trustee, or their attorney; must be in the form of an affidavit. (Old "MCL 565.507" cite does not exist; real-property recording = MCL 565.431 700.7913.)
- MCL 700.7913 "Certificate of trust" (EPIC/UTC, added 2009 PA 46, am. 2018 PA 491) — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (legislature.mi.gov): (1)(a)-(e) name of trust + dates of operative instruments; name+address of each current trustee; relevant powers; revocability + holder of power to revoke; co-trustee sign/authenticate authority. (2) signed/authenticated by settlor, any trustee, or their attorney; must be in the form of an AFFIDAVIT. (3) non-revocation statement. (4) dispositive terms not required. (5) excerpts on request. (6)-(9) reliance/enforcement/judicial exception. CORRECTION: "MCL 565.507" DOES NOT EXIST (ch. 565 = conveyances); real-property recording = MCL 565.431, which points to 700.7913. Fix line above.

Minnesota (MN)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Mississippi (MS)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Missouri (MO)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Montana (MT)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Nebraska (NE)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Nevada (NV)

- Execution: Non-UTC; trust in writing, executed by settlor (NRS 164.410).
- Certificate: NRS 164.410; requires ALL currently acting trustees' signatures.
- Cert body: include the situs/domicile + governing-law line for NV-routed certifications (NRS 164.410(1)(g)) — see STATE-SPECIFIC CERTIFICATE FIELDS.
- Business trusts: Must file certificate with Secretary of State (NRS 88A).
- Community property: NV is a CP opt-in state (not true CP).
- Routed-flow note: a certificate naming an SD/NV trust company as currently acting Trustee requires the completed substitution chain (resignation, appointment, acceptance per Base Instrument §10.5) presented with the certificate.
- NRS 164.410 "Contents" — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (leg.state.nv.us, Rev. 4/15/2026): (1) cert may confirm: existence + date of execution; settlor + each acting trustee; powers + restrictions; revocability + holder of power to revoke; whether all must or less than all may act; situs/domicile + governing law; form of title; succession declaration per NRS 163.605. (2) must contain non-revocation statement + that signatures are those of ALL currently acting trustees. (Added 1995, 211; A 2015, 3554; 2023, 1325.) Companion: NRS 164.420 (dispositive provisions not required).

New Hampshire (NH)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

New Jersey (NJ)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.

- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

New Mexico (NM)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

New York (NY)

- Execution: Non-UTC; trust execution requires attestation by 2 witnesses + notary (EPTL §7-1.17).
- Certificate: No statutory certification-of-trust form under EPTL; relies on common law and institutional custom. Banks use internal forms — no uniform standard.
- EPTL § 7-1.17 "Execution, amendment and revocation of lifetime trusts" — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (nysenate.gov official; current revision from 2014-09-22): (a) lifetime trust must be in writing, executed and acknowledged by the person establishing the trust (and by at least one trustee unless sole trustee) in the manner required for recording a conveyance of real property, OR executed in the presence of two witnesses who sign the instrument. (b) amendments/revocations in writing + executed. Confirms the 2-witness + acknowledgment execution rule.

North Carolina (NC)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

North Dakota (ND)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Ohio (OH)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Oklahoma (OK)

- Execution: Non-UTC (OUTC effective Nov 2025); trust in writing, executed by settlor.
- Certificate: 60 O.S. § 1609.7 "Certification of Trust - Requirements, Reliance, and Limitations" (OUTC) — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (oscn.net official): (A)(1)-(8) existence + date; settlor; identity+address of acting trustee; powers; revocability; co-trustee signing authority; TIN; manner of title. (B) signed by any trustee. (C) non-revocation statement. (D) dispositive terms not required. (E)-(I) excerpts, reliance, enforcement, bad-faith damages, judicial exception.

Oregon (OR)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Pennsylvania (PA)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.

- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Rhode Island (RI)

- Execution: Non-UTC; trust in writing, executed by settlor.
- Certificate: No statutory cert form (only real-property affidavit under §34-4-27); all-or-all signer requirement.
- RI General Laws ch. 18 (Title 18 Fiduciaries) — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (ri.generalassembly.gov title index): NO certification-of-trust statute; the UTC-equivalent cert provision does not exist in RI law. Only related form: real-property fiduciary certificate under R.I. Gen. Laws § 34-4-27. The all-trustee-signer rule is practice convention, not statute. Cert module for RI relies on institutional custom — attorney to confirm.

South Carolina (SC)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

South Dakota (SD)

- Execution: Non-UTC; trust executed by settlor (SDCL 55-1A).
- Certificate: SDCL 55-4-51; contents per statute (8-item list), signed by settlor or currently acting trustee and acknowledged before notary per SDCL 55-4-51 practice.
- Cert body: complete the SD-specific fields (previous name, original trustees, court-supervision statement, property description) per SDCL 55-4-51 — see STATE-SPECIFIC CERTIFICATE FIELDS.
- Recording: May be recorded with register of deeds for real property.
- SDCL 55-4-51 "Certificate of trust furnished in lieu of copy of trust instrument or will -- Contents" — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (sdlegislature.gov): (1) trust exists + current/previous name + execution date; (2) name of settlor/grantor/trustor/testator; (3) original trustees + name and address of each currently empowered trustee; (4) applicable powers + number of trustees required to act; (5) irrevocability statement or, if revocable, so stated. CORRECTION: cert statute is in ch. 55-4 (Trust Administration), NOT 55-1A-41 (ch. 55-1A = trustee appointment). Fix line above.

Tennessee (TN)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor (TC 35-15-401/402).
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.
- Community property: TN is a CP opt-in state (not true CP).

Texas (TX)

- Execution: Non-UTC; trust in writing, signed (Prop. Code §112.001).
- Certificate: Typically notarized in practice; no statutory cert form.
- Community property: TX is a true CP state. Trust funded with CP assets may be characterized as CP.
- Recording: County recorder where settlor resides; acknowledgment per Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 121.001 — VERIFIED 2026-09-27.

Utah (UT)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor (75B-2-101).
- Certificate: 75B-2-1013 (2025 renumbering) — VERIFIED 2026-09-27 (model statute for this build). Trustee may furnish certification containing: existence of trust, date of execution, identity of settlor, identity and powers of trustee, revocability, authority of co-trustees, form of title, and trust identification number.
- Utah Code § 75B-2-1013 "Certification of trust" — renumbering CONFIRMED 2026-09-28 via official [le.utah.gov](https://le.utah.gov/xcode/Title75B/Chapter2/75B-2-S1013.html) Estate Planning Recodification table (75B-2-1013 75-7-1013, ch. 75B effective 2025): <https://le.utah.gov/xcode/Title75B/Chapter2/75B-2-S1013.html> — same UTC §1013 content (existence + date; settlor; trustee powers; revocability; co-trustee authority; form of title; TIN).

Vermont (VT)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Virginia (VA)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Washington (WA)

- Execution: Non-UTC; adopted UTC provisions in 2011 (RCW 11.98). Trust in writing, executed by settlor. No witness/notary requirement for trust instrument.
- Certificate: RCW 11.98.075 "Certification of trust" — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (app.leg.wa.gov): (1)(a)-(g) existence + date; trustor identity; identity+address of acting trustee; relevant powers; revocability; co-trustee signing authority; NAME OF TRUST or titling of trust property (WA-specific — no TIN item). (2) signed by any trustee or attorney for the trust. (3) non-revocation statement. (4) dispositive terms not required. (5)-(9) excerpts, reliance, enforcement, bad-faith fees, judicial exception. [2011 c 32]
- Community property: WA is a true CP state.

West Virginia (WV)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.

Wisconsin (WI)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor.
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.
- Community property: WI is a true CP state.

Wyoming (WY)

- Execution: UTC state; trust executed by settlor (W.S. 4-10-401).
- Certificate: Standard UTC content.
- No notary or witness required for trust creation; real property requires acknowledgment and recording.

- W.S. § 4-10-1014 "Certification of trust" (Uniform Trust Code, art. 10) — VERIFIED 2026-09-28 (wyoleg.gov Title 4 full text): UTC § 1013 content (existence + date; settlor; acting trustee; powers; revocability; co-trustee authority; TIN; manner of taking title; non-revocation statement; dispositive terms not required). CORRECTION: § 4-10-401 = "Methods of creating trust" — wrong section for cert content; fix line above.

PER-STATE EXECUTION FORMS (*Certification of Trust*)

State	Statutory execution form	Select
California	Acknowledged declaration signed by ALL currently acting trustees (Prob. Code § 18100.5(c))	Acknowledgment + all-trustee signing; may be recorded
South Dakota	Acknowledged or verified under oath before a notary public or other authorized official (SDCL 55-4-51)	Acknowledgment or Jurat
Iowa	Certified under penalty of perjury OR subscribed and sworn before a notary (Iowa Code § 633A.4604(2)(e); ch. 9B)	Penalty-of-Perjury Endorsement or Jurat
Michigan	Certification must be in the form of an affidavit (MCL 700.7913(2))	Jurat (affidavit form)
Delaware	Acknowledged writing (12 Del. C. § 3591(b))	Acknowledgment
All other served states	No statutory execution form; notarization is standard practice (TX, NY, IL reinforce)	Acknowledgment (default)

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