
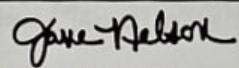


**How does an apostille look?**

**The State of Texas**  
**Secretary of State**

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<b>APOSTILLE</b> (Convention de La Haye du 5 octobre 1961)			
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<b>This public document</b> <small>Le présent acte public / El presente documento público</small>			
<b>2. has been signed by</b> <small>a été signé par ha sido firmado por</small>			
<b>3. acting in the capacity of</b> <small>agissant en qualité de quien actúa en calidad de</small>	Notary Public, State of Texas		
<b>4. bears the seal / stamp of</b> <small>est revêtu du sceau / timbre de y está revestido del sello / timbre de</small>	Notary Public, State of Texas, <i>Commission Expires: 05-31-24</i>		
<b>Certified</b> <small>Attesté / Certificado</small>			
<b>5. at</b> <small>à / en</small>	Austin, Texas	<b>6. the</b> <small>le / el día</small>	4th day of January 2024
<b>7. by</b> <small>par / por</small>	Secretary of State		
<b>8. N°</b> <small>sous n° bajo el número</small>			
<b>9. Seal / stamp:</b> <small>Sceau / timbre: Sello / timbre:</small>		<b>10. Signature:</b> <small>Signature: Firma:</small>	 Jane Nelson Secretary of State

This Apostille only certifies the authenticity of the signature and the capacity of the person who has signed the public document, and, where appropriate, the identity of the seal or stamp which the public document bears.  
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What the new Texas universal apostille certificate looks like as of 10/1/23.



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### APOSTILLE

(Convention de La Haye du 5 Octobre 1961)

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|--------------------------------|--|
| 1. Country                     | United States of America   |
| This public document           |  |
| 2. has been signed by          | SANDRA GARCIA  |
| 3. acting in the capacity of   | Notary Public, State of Texas  |
| 4. and bears the seal/stamp of | SANDRA GARCIA,<br>Notary Public, State of Texas,<br>Commission Expires: 02-04-18 |

### CERTIFIED

- |                                       |                      |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 5. at Austin, Texas                   | 6. on March 15, 2016 |
| 7. by the Secretary of State of Texas |                      |
| 8. Certificate No. 10352807           |                      |
| 9. Seal                               | 10. Signature:       |



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cascos", followed by a horizontal line.

Carlos H. Cascos  
Secretary of State

GF/eg

What a Texas apostille certificate looked like BEFORE 10/1/23.



The State of Texas

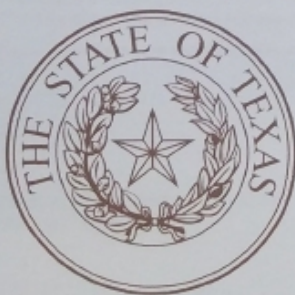
Secretary of State

I, Rolando B. Pablos, Secretary of State of the State of Texas, DO HEREBY  
CERTIFY that according to the records of this office,

**RICHARD ALAN MAPLES**

was commissioned as a Notary Public for the State of Texas on August 3,  
2015, for a term ending on August 3, 2019.

Issued: November 29, 2018  
Certificate Number 11646361



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "RBP", written over a horizontal line.

Rolando B. Pablos  
Secretary of State  
GF/eg

What a Texas authentication certificate looked like BEFORE  
10/1/23.

A USA apostille certificate or USA authentication certificate  
will be issued by one of the fifty U.S states or by the U.S

Department of State, and will be an 8 1/2 x 11 sheet of paper that is attached to your document either by a staple (TXSOS) or a grommet (USDOS).

Some states, like Texas as of 10/1/23, will place a stamp/seal on it (**half the stamp will purposely be put on the apostille certificate and the other half on your document**) and **intitials of the government employee who apostilled it are also placed next to the stamp/seal**), and other states don't use stamps/seals like Texas didn't before October 1st, 2023.

Your apostille certificate or authentication certificate is printed on regular printer paper on the letterhead of the state's secretary of state office that issued it.

You can go to **<https://www.apostilletexas.org/department-of-state-apostille>** to see examples of what the U.S Department of State federal apostille and federal authentication certificates will look like.