

Topic: Attested Copies of Federal Documents

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Corporations Canada	
Alabama	
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Kansas	
Kentucky	
Louisiana	<p>In Louisiana, the Commercial Department of SOS only apostilles business filing documents we have issued, anything else would go to our Commissions Department to be apostilled.</p> <p>In checking with our Commissions Department, I was informed, we *do not* apostille Federal Documents either, bearing one exception. *IF* the document contains a Background Check from the FBI, and that Background Check is notarized by a Louisiana notary, we will apostille it, in that one case only.</p>
Maine	
Maryland	
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Pennsylvania	
Rhode Island	
South Carolina	
South Dakota	
Tennessee	
Texas	
Utah	
Vermont	
Virginia	
Washington	
West Virginia	
Wisconsin	
Wyoming	

Additional comments:

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(This was sent to the other IACA list, but it was suggested I send it here as well. Thanks to those who offered advice previously)

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