

PROCESS SERVER APPLICANT CHECK LIST – (updated 03/25/2021)

- _____ 1. Must be at least 18 years of age.
- _____ 2. Have no mental or legal disability.
- _____ 3. Must be a permanent resident of the State of Florida.
- _____ 4. Signed Affidavit of Experience (all applicants must complete orientation, regardless of experience).
- _____ 5. Copy of current valid Driver License.
- _____ 6. Attach proof of "Surety" bond in the minimum amount of \$5,000.00. The bond must reflect effective date, expiration date, and name "Seminole County Sheriff's Office" as obligee.
- _____ 7. Name, date of birth, and social security number.
- _____ 8. Residence and business addresses and phone numbers.
- _____ 9. Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of the applicant's immediate supervisor and employer (if applicable).
- _____ 10. Applicant will submit to electronic fingerprinting at the Seminole County Sheriff's Office, Human Resource Section. Fingerprinting hours are **Monday and Thursday, between 9:00 am and 11:30 am for the first 25 customers only**. An administrative fee of **\$5.35** will be required at the time of fingerprinting and a fingerprint card will be provided to the applicant. An **additional fee of \$1.75** will be applied if paying this fee with a credit/debit card. **(Exact Change)**
- _____ 11. Upon submission of fingerprints, applicants will have **30 days** to pay the **\$24.00** background fee to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement using the following link: <https://caps.fdle.state.fl.us/caps/homePage.jsf>
NOTE: If background fee is not completed within 30 days of fingerprint submission, applicant will have to submit to electronic fingerprinting again.

_____12. Applicants will present a completed application (notarized), Certified Process Server training certificate from one of the approved vendors, proof of bond, and fingerprint card to the Seminole County Sheriff's Office Civil Section. Upon electronic receipt of background investigation from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, an order will be submitted to the Chief Judge of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit on behalf of the applicant for approval or denial.

Once the approval order has been received by the Seminole County Sheriff's Office Civil Section, the applicant will receive notification to obtain an identification card from the Seminole County Sheriff's Office who creates and issues the cards on behalf of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit. If your identification card is lost or stolen, an additional fee of \$7.00 will be required for each additional card.

TRAINING PROGRAMS/LOCATIONS:

1. Avalon Legal Information Service

PO Box 291745, Port Orange, FL 32129-1745

Phone: (386) 760-6520

2. St. Petersburg College – Judicial Process Server Course

13805 58th Street North, Largo, FL 33756

Phone: (727) 341-4445

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL COMPLETED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS TO:

Seminole County Sheriff's Office

Civil Section

201 N. Park Ave.

Sanford, FL 32771

Phone: (407) 665-6640

Email: ProcessServers@seminolesheriff.org

Please note: Any documents requiring notarization **must be notarized prior** to submitting the application to the Civil Section. Each Process Server is responsible for renewing their certification annually. Incomplete applications only slow the process; please use this checklist as a guide. Please update the Seminole County Sheriff's Office Civil Section of any changes to your address or phone number during the year. **Certified Process Servers are not employees of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit or the Seminole County Sheriff's Office.** Please contact the Seminole County Sheriff's Office Civil Section with any questions.