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Uniform Law Commission
111 N. Wabash Avenue, Suite 1010
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Re: Support for Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts (RULONA)

To Whom It May Concern:

Amrock supports and commends the work of the Uniform Law Commission's (ULC) drafting committee on their leadership and advocacy of a uniform law amendment to include remote online notarization (RON) in the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts (RULONA).

Recently, celebrating its' 20th anniversary, Amrock has grown to be one of the largest independent providers of title insurance, property valuations, and settlement services in the nation. Notaries have held a significant role in communities for hundreds of years. As a title and settlement agent, Amrock respects the value of the over 2,000 notaries that we engage with across the nation annually. While the role of the modern notary remains, technology is rapidly changing.

Technological advancements in all fields, including those in the mortgage and real estate industries gives consumers unrivaled visibility and control over their process. More importantly, technological advancements provide another choice on how consumers wish to interact with their transactions. We would like to see consumers of notarial acts given this same choice and allowed the ability to use newer technologies with greater fraud prevention to close their mortgages.

Therefore, Amrock supports the consistent and clear requirements that the ULC has provided with the most recent RULONA amendment, including clear consumer authentication processes and allowing for continued innovation through technology neutral language.



Amrock appreciates the collaborative nature of the ULC's drafting committee, including input from various industry stakeholders in the newest amendment to RULONA. Amrock urges states to adopt ULC's legislation as they look to modernize notary laws and provide additional choices for consumers on how to have documents notarized.

Again, we thank the Uniform Law Commission and look forward to working on future drafting committees. Should you have any further questions, please contact me at BrianHughes@Amrock.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "B. Hughes". The signature is stylized and written in a cursive-like font.

Brian Hughes
President
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