

# VICTIM AFFIDAVIT — INSTRUCTIONS & SUBMISSION SHEET

## *Puppy Sale Fraud / Fraudulent Animal Health Certificate — Multi-State Victims*

<b>Investigating Agency</b>	Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, Duval County, Florida
<b>State Prosecutor</b>	Office of the State Attorney, Fourth Judicial Circuit — ASA Rachel M. Duckworth
<b>State Attorney (SAO) No.</b>	26AF023721AD
<b>Incident No.</b>	2026207483
<b>Court Case No.</b>	16-2026-AF-168348-FXXX-MA
<b>Defendant(s)</b>	Allison Brooke Yates (and/or Yasmani Acosta)
<b>Charge</b>	Forge, Counterfeit, Alter, or Simulate Animal Health Requirement Certificates — Fla. Stat. § 585.145(3); possible federal wire/mail fraud where victims cross state lines

### WHAT THIS IS

This affidavit is your own account of your experience purchasing a puppy. Complete it yourself, in your own words, and include only what you personally experienced and know to be true. It is submitted directly to the authorities. A related case has been filed in Florida, and because purchases may have crossed state lines, matters like this can be reviewed at the state and/or federal level.

### HOW TO COMPLETE YOUR AFFIDAVIT

1. Fill in every section that applies to you. Print clearly in black ink, or type your answers.
2. Be truthful and specific — exact names, dates, dollar amounts, phone numbers, and how you were contacted. You are signing under penalty of perjury, so do not guess or exaggerate. If you are unsure of something, leave it blank.
3. Attach copies of your evidence (see checklist below). Keep your originals in a safe place.
4. Sign the affidavit in front of a notary public in the state where you live. Do NOT sign it beforehand — the notary must watch you sign. Bring a photo ID.
5. Submit your signed affidavit and attachments (see “Where to Send It” below). Keep a full copy for yourself.

### EVIDENCE TO ATTACH (copies, not originals)

- Text messages, emails, or screenshots of your conversations with the seller
- The health certificate and any vaccination records you received
- The online ad or listing, and the seller's profile information
- Proof of payment (bank/Zelle/Venmo/Cash App/PayPal records, receipts)
- Photos of the dog you were shown and the dog you actually received
- Veterinary bills or records for any medical problems

### GET IT NOTARIZED ONLINE — FROM HOME, IN ABOUT 10–15 MINUTES

You do not have to find a notary in person. You can have this notarized online by live video using Online Notary Center — it is legally accepted in all 50 states. You will need a device with a camera and microphone (a computer is best, a phone also works) and a valid government photo ID. The cost is \$25 for one signer.

### **Easiest way — start from the website:**

Go to [dobermanscamvictims.com](http://dobermanscamvictims.com) and click the green “Notarize Online Now” button. It takes you straight to the online notary. (Or go directly to [www.onlinenotarycenter.com](http://www.onlinenotarycenter.com).)

### **The 4 steps:**

1. Upload your document. Save your completed affidavit as a PDF and upload it. (Do not sign it beforehand — you will sign on camera with the notary watching.)
2. Verify your identity. Take a picture of your photo ID and answer a few knowledge-based questions to confirm who you are.
3. Connect with a notary. Join a secure two-way video call and follow the notary's instructions to sign.
4. Pay & download. Pay the \$25 fee, then download your notarized PDF or email it right away — send it to the State Attorney's Office (below) and keep a copy for yourself.

*A short walkthrough video will be provided separately to show you exactly what to do.*

*To pass the ID check easily: use your full legal name and current address (matching your ID), read each question carefully, and be somewhere quiet so you don't time out.*

*Prefer in person? You can still take it to any local notary — a bank, UPS Store, or shipping store — and sign it there. Either way is fine.*

## **SAVE, NAME, AND EMAIL YOUR COMPLETED AFFIDAVIT**

### **Name your file:**

Save your finished, notarized PDF using the case number, your last name, and your state, like this:

**Case 26AF023721AD\_LastName\_State.pdf**

*Example: Case 26AF023721AD\_Smith\_Illinois.pdf*

### **Email it to:**

- To: [rduckworth@coj.net](mailto:rduckworth@coj.net)
- Cc: [drterriabsher@gmail.com](mailto:drterriabsher@gmail.com)
- Subject: Puppy Fraud Victim Affidavit — Case 26AF023721AD — [Your Last Name]
- Attach: your notarized affidavit PDF plus copies of your evidence. Keep a copy for yourself.

### **Or upload it directly on the website:**

Go to [dobermanscamvictims.com](http://dobermanscamvictims.com) and click the green “Upload Documents Securely” button. You can upload your completed, notarized affidavit and evidence straight to a private folder — no Dropbox account needed. (Please still email it to the State Attorney's Office as well.)

## **MAILING ADDRESS (IF YOU PREFER MAIL)**

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Reference State Attorney Case No. 26AF023721AD on everything you send.

### **Federal (if your purchase crossed state lines):**

- FBI — file a tip at [tips.fbi.gov](http://tips.fbi.gov) and reference the seller's name and this case number.
- FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) — [ic3.gov](http://ic3.gov) (for the online/payment-app side of the transaction).
- Federal Trade Commission — [reportfraud.ftc.gov](http://reportfraud.ftc.gov).

- USDA-APHIS — for the interstate animal health certificate.

*Keep a copy of every complaint confirmation number you receive for your own records.*

## **IMPORTANT NOTES**

- This sheet is general information, not legal advice. If you have questions about your own situation, consult an attorney.
- Fill out the affidavit yourself, in your own words. Include only what you personally experienced and know to be true, and leave blank anything you are unsure about.
- Accuracy matters. A sworn statement that turns out to be false can create problems for the person who signed it.