

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### AFFIDAVIT (SJ-1139A)

The “Affidavit” form can be used when the law requires a pleading to be supported by an oath or when it requires a person to be sworn before signing a document.

The persons empowered to administer oaths are, in particular:

- the clerks of the Court of Québec, the Superior Court and the Court of Appeal as well as administrative justices of the peace;
- lawyers and notaries;
- commissioners for oaths appointed by the Minister of Justice (see [www.assermentation.justice.gouv.qc.ca](http://www.assermentation.justice.gouv.qc.ca) for the contact information of a commissioner for oaths).

For further information, as well as the contact information for courthouses in the province of Québec, consult the [list of courthouses](#) on the website of the ministère de la Justice.

### TYPES OF FORMS

This form is available in dynamic PDF format, meaning the form can be downloaded from [www.justice.gouv.qc.ca](http://www.justice.gouv.qc.ca) and completed directly on screen.

- Dynamic PDF:

After completing the form, you must print it on letter-sized paper, i.e. 8.5 inches by 11 inches (215.9 mm by 279.4 mm). Be sure to set your printer to this paper size.

- Paper:

If you complete the form by hand, please write legibly in block letters.

### PROCEDURE

You must complete the form before being sworn. However, it must be signed in the presence of the person administering the oath.

Once the form is completed, keep a copy for your files.

