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As was the case when the DAN was first presented, the issuing of 10 or 20 DAN numbers for 10 or 20 documents will cover about 2 days signings for a professional notary due to the number of notarizations in an average real estate/ loan closing transaction. The issuing of the DAN should be through a link to the SOS server to provide an "on demand" assignment of a DAN upon execution of a notarized document. The assignment of the number generated by the server should be accomplished when the Notary logs into the server to identify the document after the signing takes place to allow the task to be accomplished after each signing and then uploading to the SOS server to memorialize the transaction. We need a software application to use to facilitate the process so that it would be consistent for any and all Notaries every time. The "on demand" creation of the DAN upon its application will eliminate the issue of lost or stolen numbers once delivered to the notary to save in a file awaiting the use or application of the number to a document. Also, there is the issue of an electronic Notary Log to be maintained by the notary. Electronic files on thousands of notary laptops in the state will surely result in lost or corrupt files when the inevitable happens.

I was certified many years back when the first attempt to create the electronic notarization process was begun and abandoned the effort due to the cumbersome and ineffective process. As I understand it, the process has not changed appreciably since first blush and is not practical to actually use in the daily course of business.

Just my opinion, but after many years in the business, I can't feel very encouraged by the process in Colorado. Evidently there are some states out there who have created the software to accommodate a practical efficient process. Perhaps there needs to be a more creative approach and some collaboration with other states already practicing electronic notarizations.

Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

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