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Please see comments below:

- Revise rules to be consistent with RULONA. **[I am not opposed to consistency between the RULONA Rules and the Notary Rules, unless it is unduly burdensome to the Notary Public]**
- Amend definitions to include “Legal Proceeding or disciplinary action based on the applicant’s or notary public’s fraud, dishonesty, or deceit” and “Misdemeanor involving dishonesty”. **[Taking the Notary Public’s privilege of being a notary should be considered first before a lawsuit, unless the fraud results in a benefit to the Notary, then reimbursement of the benefit should be requested.]**
- Repeal rules that have been codified in RULONA. **[I am not opposed to this unless it is going to cause unduly burdensome to the Notary Public]**
- Amend rules to require notaries to take a notary course and pass an exam in order to renew their commissions. **[I am totally against this one as we did not have to take an exam to qualify as a Notary Public, and if there have been no disciplinary problems with the Notary, their seal should be renewed as it always has been].**
- Amend rules to indicate availability of the online notary training option on the Colorado Secretary of State’s website.
- Amend rules to require the re-approval of vendor curriculum and training materials every four years. **[If nothing has changed in the way we as Notaries carry out our notarizing, an every four year vendor curriculum change is unduly burdensome]**
- Amend rules to clarify the use of Document Authentication Numbers (DANs) with respect to e-notarizations. **[I believe clarification on this is important, and why we as Notaries would use this type of notarization instead of seeing the person face-to-face. Clarification would be great, but not a rule that we have to implement it.**
- Amend rules to specify that a notary’s firm or employer in possession of a notary journal has the same responsibility as a notary concerning that journal. **[I believe it is implied that a firm or employer who asks a person to be a notary realizes that they are on the hook if they ask the Notary to do anything fraudulent. If you believe putting this in writing is required, then I am not against it, but I am not sure if it is necessary.]**