

AFFIDAVIT OF CLAIM FOR TAX DEED SALE SURPLUS FUNDS

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

The undersigned, upon oath, does depose and say:

1. My name is _____ (claimant).
My current mailing address is _____
City _____ State _____ Zip code _____.
2. I am not making a claim, and waive any interest in surplus funds from this tax deed sale.
3. I hereby submit my claim for tax deed surplus funds being held by the Lee County Clerk of Courts, resulting from the tax deed sale on _____, Tax Deed No. _____.
The approximate amount of surplus being held is \$ _____ of which I'm claiming _____%. The STRAP# of the property is _____.
4. I am entitled to the surplus funds because of my interest in the property as: (check one)
 - Previous Owner** - legal titleholder of record of the property at the time of the tax deed sale, and I have included the following :
 - **Copy of my government-issued photo ID (required)**
 - The property was my homestead at the time of tax deed sale (circle one) YES NO**
 - Heir/Beneficiary/ Executor** of the Estate of the property at the time of the tax deed sale, and I have included the following:
 - Death Certificate of previous owner (certified copy or an original)
 - Probate documentation for the estate
 - **Copy of government-issued photo ID (required) for each claimant.**
 - Lien Holder or Mortgagee** of record at the time of such tax deed sale, and I have included the following:
 - Copy of recorded lien(s) or mortgage(s)
 - I attest that the mortgage or lien is valid, and was recorded at (Instrument# or Book/Page) _____, in the Official Records of Lee County, Florida, and it has not been satisfied or released.
 - The amount currently owed on such lien or mortgage is \$ _____.
 - I have authority to claim on behalf of the lienholder in my capacity as _____ (title).
5. I am claiming the surplus funds generated from this tax deed sale. I understand that the Lee County Clerk of Courts may deduct statutory fees from the sale proceeds. I further understand that if I am making a claim as the owner/heir/beneficiary of the property, any valid liens and mortgages against the property will be paid before I am entitled to any of the surplus.
6. I have not, either before or after the tax deed sale, conveyed my title or assigned my interest in the sold property to any third party, or any portion of the surplus funds being held by the Lee County Clerk of Courts.
7. I have attached to this notarized affidavit a true and genuine copy of my current government-issued photo identification that shows my address and date of birth.

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8. I acknowledge that I am making the above representations under oath in order to receive tax deed surplus funds to which I am legally entitled. I understand that if it is later discovered or determined that payment of such surplus funds to me was in error, I am personally liable for the repayment of such surplus funds to the Lee County Clerk of Courts.

Further affiant sayeth not.

CLAIMANT SIGNATURE

CLAIMANT PRINT NAME

WITNESS #1 SIGNATURE

WITNESS #1 PRINT NAME

TWO WITNESSES

REQUIRED

WITNESS #2 SIGNATURE

WITNESS #2 PRINT NAME

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, appeared _____ in person by online notarization, who is personally known by me or who has produced _____ as identification and who by me was first duly sworn, states that he/she executed the foregoing and the contents thereof are true and correct.

IN WITNESS my hand and official seal, this _____ day of _____, 20_____.
My Commission Expires: _____

Notary Public

(Seal)

Please include the tax deed number on all documents submitted to our office.

Contact Information:

Please include your contact information on the document containing your photo ID: email, phone number(s) and/or additional addresses. You may inquire on the status of your claim by sending an email to the Tax Deed Surplus area at: TaxDeedSurplus@leeclerk.org.

Note to Assignees:

Execution of this affidavit by an assignee of the claimant will not, by itself, be sufficient to substantiate a claim to funds. Any claim by an assignee must also include an affidavit and assignment from the party originally entitled to claim the funds prior to any assignment.

Estates:

If claiming on behalf of an estate, funds will not be disbursed without an order of family administration, an order of summary administration, or other writing of the court. Contact a legal professional if you have questions about estate or other legal issues. Employees of the Clerk are not authorized to provide legal advice.