

Errors and omissions in Jurats are common reasons for Probate applications being returned for corrections

Always ensure that you identify the deponent correctly in the Jurat.

Note: For example, other issues seen could be; the date of swearing may be missing, the address is not fully completed.

Correct identification of Deponent in a Jurat

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Affirmed/Sworn at Castlebar

in the County of Mayo

this 11th day of April 2024

Michael Hegarty

by the said **Michael Hegarty**

(Signature of Deponent)

before me, a Commissioner for taking Affidavits and

(a) I know the Deponent

or

~~(b) the Deponent has been identified to me by _ who certifies to his/her knowledge of the Deponent.~~

~~I certify that I know the deponent:~~

~~(Signature of Person Identifying Deponent)~~

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Incorrect identification of Deponent in a Jurat



This jurat is incorrectly completed because it fails to definitively indicate the method of the deponent's identification. Both section (a) and section (b) remain unstruck, leading to ambiguity about whether the deponent was personally known to the official or identified by a third party. For precise and lawful verification, one of the sections should have been clearly struck out to indicate the chosen method of identification.

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