

**BOARD OF COUNTY  
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**Completing Affidavits**

Before submitting a notarized Affidavit, please make sure you agree to the following:

1. You should believe the animal is dangerous and is a public safety threat  
You should be:
  - a. The victim (or parent of the victim) of the attack
  - b. The owner of an animal that was attacked
  - c. The witness to an attack
2. You will need to provide:
  - a. A physician's summary of your injuries and medical treatment, or a veterinarian's report of your pet's injuries and medical treatment if any.
  - b. Any photos of injuries to you or your pet.
  - c. A notarized affidavit describing the incident in as much detail as possible
  - d. A copy of any associated police reports
3. You may be asked to testify in either local ordinance violation court or at a dangerous dog hearing in front of the dog owner
4. A determination of Public Nuisance or Dangerous Classification is subject to the discretion of the Department of Animal Services
5. Be aware that if an animal is declared dangerous, the owner will have the right to appeal multiple times
6. These investigations take time as many cases have multiple incidents and witnesses. You should still try to submit your statements and other information within 30 days of the event.

**Any information submitted to Animal Services is considered public record under Florida's "Sunshine Law"**



**Affidavit**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Ph \_\_\_\_\_

Alt Ph \_\_\_\_\_ Wk ph \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby swear and affirm that an animal(s)

named \_\_\_\_\_, described as \_\_\_\_\_

owned by \_\_\_\_\_, address \_\_\_\_\_

Did: **describe what happened, date, time, place, victim name, injuries sustained, witnesses**

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*Please attach any police report, proof of medical treatment, photographs*

**“Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing (document) and that the facts stated in it are true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.”**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

by \_\_\_\_\_ who produced, \_\_\_\_\_  
as identification, or who is personally know to me.

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Notary

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Notary Stamp