

**RESOLUTION 1346 OF 2007**

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**NATIONAL CIVIL REGISTRY**

Authorizing the country's notaries to perform civil registry functions, in conjunction with civil registry officials.

**THE NATIONAL REGISTRAR OF CIVIL STATUS,**

in exercise of his constitutional and legal powers, particularly those conferred by Law 962 of 2005,

**CONSIDERING:**

That in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2 of Article 266 of the Constitution, amended by Legislative Act 01 of July 3, 2003, it is incumbent upon the National Registrar of Civil Status, among other functions, to organize and direct the identification of Colombians;

That the Constitutional Court, in Ruling C-896 of 1999, stated that "the function of civil registration carried out by notaries does not violate Article 266 of the Constitution, inasmuch as this article did not reserve the function of civil registration exclusively for the National Registrar of Civil Status, but rather assigned him the responsibility of directing and organizing it";

That paragraph 2 of section 1 of Article 77 of Law 962 of 2005, which amended Article 118 of Decree-Law 1260 of 1970, which in turn was amended by Article 10 of Decree 2158 of 1970, provides: "The National Civil Registry may, on an exceptional and well-founded basis, authorize notaries, municipal mayors, magistrates and police inspectors, and chiefs or governors of indigenous councils to keep civil registry records."

That the National Civil Registry, with the aim of optimizing the constitutional function of organizing and managing the civil registry, authorizes notaries to exercise this function in conjunction with this entity, given that, having provided civil registry services for many years, they have the infrastructure and experience that enables them to provide this service throughout the country,

**RESOLVES:**

**ARTICLE 1.** The National Registrar of Civil Status may, by administrative act, authorize the country's notaries to exercise the function of civil registration, in conjunction with the Civil Registrars.

Notaries who currently provide civil registry services will continue to perform this function.

Notaries who have not been assigned this function must apply for it in order to have their authorization evaluated.

**PARAGRAPH.** Civil registry files delivered by notaries to municipal civil registrars shall remain in the custody of municipal civil registrars.



**ARTICLE 2.** The civil registry function will be provided by the country's notaries, under the direction and guidance of the National Civil Registry Directorate of the National Civil Registry Office.

**PARAGRAPH.** The inspection and supervision of the service by Notaries shall continue to be exercised by the Superintendency of Notaries and Registries, which shall ensure the timely and effective provision of civil registry services.



**ARTICLE 3.** The National Civil Registry Office shall, ex officio or at the express and reasoned request of the Notary, suspend the exercise of the civil registry function.



**ARTICLE 4.** Send a copy of this resolution to the Superintendent of Notaries and Registries.



**ARTICLE 5.** This resolution shall take effect on the date of its publication and repeals in its entirety

Resolution **5296** of November 15, 2000. Publish,  
communicate, and comply.

Issued in Bogotá, D.C., on March 23, 2007. The  
National Registrar of Civil Status,

**JUAN CARLOS GALINDO VACHA.**

The Secretary General (E.),

**CARLOS ALBERTO ARIAS MONCALEANO.**



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