




# Proof of Death Beneficiary Statement

 FAX this direction	<b>FAX this form: 1-800-880-9325</b> Or mail: P.O. Box 100194, Columbia, SC 29202	From:
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## Instructions

1. In order to assist us in processing the claim, the Beneficiary's Statement should be completed by the person(s) to whom the insurance is payable. When there is more than one beneficiary, all may sign one statement, or a separate form will be furnished for each if desired. Answering all questions will help avoid processing delays.

When the policy is payable to the estate of the deceased, the statement should be completed by the executor or administrator, and a certificate showing the appointment of the administrator or executor should be furnished. If no one has been appointed, contact your attorney or the courthouse in the county where the insured lived to determine the required process.

When the beneficiary named in the policy is deceased, a certified copy of the death certificate of any deceased beneficiary should be furnished. The Beneficiary's Statement should be completed by the person entitled to the proceeds according to the policy terms.

When the policy is payable to a minor, intellectually disabled, or incapacitated person, the statement should be completed by a legal guardian, and a certificate showing the appointment of guardian should be furnished. Consult with your attorney or the courthouse in the county where the minor, intellectually disabled, or incapacitated person resides to determine what process is required.

2. A CERTIFIED DEATH CERTIFICATE MUST BE FURNISHED.

3. Returning the original policy, if available, will help expedite the claim process. If you do not have the original, please indicate on the claim form. Forwarding any electronic or other media coverage of the death or burial could help expedite the claim process. We do not need the policy returned on a dependent's claim unless the policy is in the dependent's name.

**Life benefit proceeds due will be paid in a lump sum.**

The policy may contain other payment options. Please review the policy and notify us if you would like to request an alternative payment option.

### List policies under which the claim is being made:

Policy number	Amount of insurance	Please return the policy if available. If policy is not available, explain below.

### Deceased name in full:

List other names by which the insured may have been known, such as maiden name, hyphenated name, nickname, derivative form of first and/or middle name or an alias.

Deceased address:		City:	State:	ZIP:
SSN:	DOB: ____ / ____ / ____	<b>Note:</b> If date of birth does not match the birth date on policy, submit proof of correct age.		
Date of Death: ____ / ____ / ____	Cause of death:			

**Fraud Notice: Any person who knowingly files a statement of claim containing false or misleading information is subject to criminal and civil penalties.**

## Certification

I have checked the answers on this claim form, and they are correct. I certify under penalty of perjury that my correct Social Security number is shown on this form. I acknowledge that I received the Claim Fraud Statements on page two of this form and that I read the statement required by the State Department of Insurance for my state, if my state was listed on the form. **Fraud Warning:** Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files a statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime.

Beneficiary's name		Beneficiary's signature		Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	
Beneficiary's SSN:	Beneficiary's DOB: ____ / ____ / ____		Relationship to deceased:		
Beneficiary's address:					
City:	State:	ZIP:	Telephone:		
Witness' name:		Witness' signature:			
Witness' address:		City:	State:	ZIP:	

## Claim Fraud Statements

For your protection, the laws of several states, including Alaska, Arkansas, Delaware, Idaho, Indiana, Louisiana, Minnesota, New Hampshire, Ohio, Oklahoma, and others, require the following statement to appear on this claim form. **Fraud Warning:** Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive an insurance company, files a statement of claim containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information is guilty of insurance fraud, which is a felony.

**Alabama:** Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or who knowingly present false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to restitution fines or confinement in prison, or any combination thereof.

**Arizona:** For your protection Arizona law requires the following statement to appear on this form: Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

**California, Rhode Island, Texas and West Virginia:** For your protection, California, Rhode Island, Texas and West Virginia law requires the following to appear on this form: Any person who knowingly presents false or fraudulent claim for the payment of a loss is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in state prison.

**Colorado:** It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance and civil damages. Any insurance company or agent of an insurance company who knowingly provides false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to a policyholder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policyholder or claimant with regard to a settlement or award payable from insurance proceeds shall be reported to the Colorado Division of Insurance within the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

**District of Columbia:** It is a crime to provide false or misleading information to an insurer for the purpose of defrauding the insurer or any other person. Penalties include imprisonment and/or fines. In addition, an insurer may deny insurance benefits if false information materially related to a claim was provided by the applicant.

**Florida:** Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive any insurer files a statement of claim or an application containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information is guilty of a felony of the third degree.

**Kentucky:** For your protection, Kentucky law requires the following to appear on this form: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files a statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime.

**Maine, Tennessee, Virginia and Washington:** It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines or a denial of insurance benefits.

**Maryland:** Any person who knowingly or willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or who knowingly or willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

**New Jersey and New Mexico:** Any person who knowingly files a statement of claim containing any false or misleading information is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

**New York:** Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation.

**Pennsylvania:** Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties

**Puerto Rico:** Any person who knowingly and with the intention of defrauding presents false information in an insurance application, or presents, helps, or causes the presentation of a fraudulent claim for the payment of a loss or any other benefit, or presents more than one claim for the same damage or loss, shall incur a felony and, upon conviction, shall be sanctioned for each violation with the penalty of a fine of not less than five thousand (5,000) dollars and not more than ten thousand (10,000) dollars, or a fixed term of imprisonment for three (3) years, or both penalties. If aggravating circumstances are present, the penalty thus established may be increased to a maximum of five (5) years; if extenuating circumstances are present; it may be reduced to a minimum of two (2) years.

## Authorization for Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Company

For the purpose of evaluating eligibility for insurance and eligibility for benefits under an existing policy/certificate, including checking for and resolving any issues that may arise regarding incomplete or incorrect information on the application or my claim forms, I hereby authorize the disclosure of the following information about the deceased insured from the sources listed below to Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Company (Colonial Life) and its duly authorized representatives.

Health information may be disclosed by any health care provider or institution, health plan or health care clearinghouse that has any records or knowledge about the deceased insured, including prescription drug database or pharmacy benefit manager, or ambulance or other medical transport service. Health information may also be disclosed by any insurance company, Medicare or Medicaid agencies or the Medical Information Bureau (MIB). Health information includes the deceased insured's entire medical record and insurance claim history but does not include psychotherapy notes. Non-health information, including earnings or work history or any other facts deemed necessary by Colonial Life to evaluate the application or claim forms, may be disclosed by any entity, person or organization that has these records about the deceased insured, including but not limited to his or her Motor Carrier, Motor Carrier representative and compensation sources, insurance company, financial institution or governmental entities, including departments of public safety and motor vehicle departments.

Any information Colonial Life obtains pursuant to this authorization will be used for the purpose of evaluating and administering a claim for benefits. Some information once obtained may not be protected by certain federal regulations governing the privacy of health information, but the information is protected by state privacy laws and other applicable laws. Colonial Life will not re-disclose the information unless permitted or required by those laws.

This authorization is valid for two (2) years from its execution or the duration of my claim, whichever is earlier, and a copy is as valid as the original. I know that I may request a copy of this authorization. This authorization may be revoked by me at any time except to the extent Colonial Life has relied on the authorization prior to notice of revocation or has a legal right to contest coverage under the contract or the contract itself. If revoked, Colonial Life may not be able to evaluate the claim or eligibility for insurance. I may revoke this authorization by sending written notice to: Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Company, Claims Department, P.O. Box 100194, Columbia, SC 29202.

I may refuse to sign this form; however, Colonial Life may not be able to evaluate and administer the claim.

\_\_\_\_\_ XXX-XX-\_\_\_\_\_  
 Printed name of deceased insured Deceased insured's last four digits of SSN

\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Printed name of beneficiary or legal representative Signature of beneficiary or legal representative Date signed

If applicable, I signed on behalf of the beneficiary or personal representative as \_\_\_\_\_  
 (print relationship). If legal guardian, power of attorney designee, conservator, beneficiary or personal representative, please attach a copy of the document granting authority.