

# STATE OF FLORIDA

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 13-182 (Executive Order of Suspension)

**WHEREAS**, Rita G. Guzman, is presently serving as a Notary Public of the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, this Office received a complaint reporting Rita G. Guzman for notary misconduct; and

**WHEREAS**, the complainant states that Rita G. Guzman notarized a signature on a document when the signer was not present for the notarization and did not indicate the exact date of the notarization to be completed within the notarial certificate, in violation of 117.107(9) and 117.05(4)(d), Florida Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 18, 2012, January 3, 2013, and January 28, 2013, this Office mailed letters to Rita G. Guzman requiring that she furnish a sworn written response to the complaint; and

**WHEREAS**, to date, this Office neither received the requested written response nor any other communication from Rita G. Guzman; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the citizens of the State of Florida that Rita G. Guzman be immediately suspended from the public office, which she now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this Executive Order;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT**, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 of the Florida Constitution and Section 117.01 (4), Florida Statutes, find and state as follows:

A. Rita G. Guzman is a duly appointed Notary Public of the State of Florida, pursuant to section 117.01, Florida Statutes.

B. Rita G. Guzman's current commission runs from March 29, 2010, through March 28, 2014.

C. Rita G. Guzman refused to cooperate or respond to an investigation by the Governor's Office, as required by Section 117.01(4)(c), Florida Statutes.

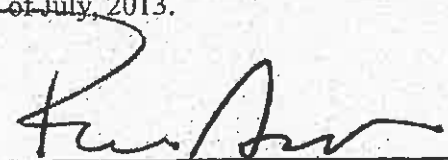
**BEING FULLY ADVISED** in the premise, and in accordance with the Florida Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued

Section 1. Rita G. Guzman is suspended from the public office which she now holds: Notary Public of the State of Florida.

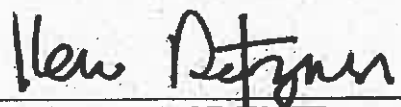
Section 2. Rita G. Guzman is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of this public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of this public office during the period of suspension, which period shall begin, today, until further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2013.

  
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RICK SCOTT, GOVERNOR

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