

STATE OF FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 14-96
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Danielle Taylor, is presently serving as a Notary Public of the State of Florida;
and

WHEREAS, on or about February 2, 2011, Danielle Taylor was convicted in the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Clay County, in case number 2010CF001232, of one count of Obtaining or Attempting to Obtain a Controlled Substance by Fraud, a third-degree felony in violation of Section 893.13(7)(a)9., Florida Statutes, and one count of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, a first-degree misdemeanor in violation of Section 893.147(1), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, on or about September 15, 2011, Danielle Taylor was convicted in the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Duval County, in case number 2011CF009547, of two counts of Obtaining Controlled Substance by Withholding Information, a third-degree felony in violation of Section 893.13(7)(a)8., Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, on or about July 2, 2012; Danielle Taylor was convicted in the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit, in and for St. Johns County, in case number 2012CF000868, of one count of Possession of Cocaine, a third-degree felony in violation of Section 893.13(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and one count of Driving While License Cancelled, Suspended, or Revoked, a second-degree misdemeanor in violation of Section 322.34(2)(a), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Danielle Taylor failed to notify the Department of State of the above-stated changes to her criminal history record following her convictions for the above-stated felonies and misdemeanors during her commission as a Florida notary public, as required by Section 117.01(2);
and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2014, and February 6, 2014, this Office notified Danielle Taylor by certified mail, and required that she respond to the investigation by this Office regarding her felony convictions while commissioned as a Florida notary public; and

WHEREAS, during the investigation by this Office, it was discovered that Danielle Taylor had moved from the address under which she was commissioned and had failed to notify the Department of State of the change in her contact information within 60 days, as required by Section 117.01(2), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, to date, this Office has not received the required response from Danielle Taylor; and

WHEREAS, the Governor is authorized by Article IV, Section 7 of the Florida Constitution to suspend from office by executive order an appointed public official for the commission of a felony; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of the State of Florida that Danielle Taylor 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. Danielle Taylor is a duly appointed Notary Public of the State of Florida, pursuant to Section 117.01, Florida Statutes.
- B. Danielle Taylor is commissioned as a Florida notary public from July 12, 2010, through July 11, 2014.
- C. Danielle Taylor was convicted of felonies in Clay, Duval, and St. Johns Counties in 2011 and 2012, while commissioned as a Florida notary public.

- D. Danielle Taylor failed to notify the Department of State of the changes to her criminal history record following her felony convictions in Clay, Duval, and St. Johns Counties in 2011 and 2012, as required by Section 117.01(2), Florida Statutes.
- E. Danielle Taylor failed to notify the Department of State within 60 days of her change of address, in violation of Section 117.01(2), Florida Statutes.
- F. Danielle Taylor refused to cooperate or respond to an investigation by the Executive Office of the Governor, 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. Danielle Taylor is suspended from the public office which she now holds: Notary Public of the State of Florida.

Section 2. Danielle Taylor 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 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 18th day of March, 2014.

Handwritten signature of Rick Scott in black ink.

RICK SCOTT, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Handwritten signature of Ken Retzner in black ink.
SECRETARY OF STATE

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