

**§ 47-43.4. Officer's certificate upon proof of instrument by proof of signature of subscribing witness.**

When the execution of an instrument is proved by proof of the signature of a subscribing witness as provided by G.S. 47-12.1, the certificate required by G.S. 47-13.1 shall be in substantially the following form:

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of state)

\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of officer taking proof) (Official title of officer taking proof)  
of \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, \_\_\_\_\_, certify that  
(Name of state)

\_\_\_\_\_ personally appeared before me this day, and  
(Name of person familiar with  
handwriting of subscribing witness)

being duly sworn, stated that he knows the handwriting of \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Name of subscribing witness)

and that the signature of \_\_\_\_\_ as a subscribing witness to the  
(Name of subscribing witness)  
foregoing instrument is the signature of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of subscribing witness)

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month) (Year)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of officer taking proof)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Official title of officer taking proof)

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date of expiration of officer's commission)

(1951, c. 379, s. 3; 1999-456, s. 59.)