

## **Legal Document Requirements**

### **What is the procedure when an owner is deceased?**

- If your title is held in JTWROS (joint tenants with rights of survivorship), a copy of the death certificate is required.
- If the title is held in the deceased persons name only, a certified copy of the Personal Representative papers are required.
- If the title is held in the deceased persons name only, and no Personal Representative is being appointed, the value of the entire estate less liens and encumbrances does not exceed \$50,000, and thirty days has lapsed since the death of the decedent; [SFN 2916 Affidavit for Collection of Personal Property](#) is required.

### **How do I sell a vehicle that is titled and registered in my ex spouse's name?**

If the final divorce decree awards the vehicle to you, a certified copy of the entire court document is required to be submitted with the transfer of title. If the title is held in joint ownership, the signatures to complete the transfer are only required from whoever has been awarded the vehicle.

### **If I have an appointed guardian or conservator responsible for my affairs, how do I sell my vehicle?**

The appointed guardian or conservator is required to sign on behalf of the title owner. Certified copies of the guardianship or conservator papers are required to be submitted with the transfer of title.

### **How do bankruptcy proceedings affect the sale of my vehicle?**

The appointed trustee for the bankruptcy is required to sign on behalf of the title owner to make a disposition of your vehicle. The bankruptcy court Form B9A is, in most cases, the court issued form identifying the appointed trustee. A copy of that form, or any other court document appointing the trustee, is required to be submitted with the transfer of title.

### **When do I need a Power of Attorney?**

If you have been granted Power of Attorney to legally sign papers and documents on behalf of another, a copy of that Power of Attorney form is required to be submitted with the application. The name of the individual or company that has been granted power of attorney must be designated in the Power of Attorney form. The form must be signed by the individual or company granting Power of Attorney and must be notarized.