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AFFIDAVIT GUIDE

You may need an affidavit if....

- You have gaps in papers showing you were here from June 15, 2007 to the present.
- You need to describe a departure between June 15, 2007 and August 15, 2012.
 - *If this applies to you, it is especially important that you speak with a legal service provider.*
- You need evidence of good moral character.
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You can't use an affidavit alone to prove....

- That you meet the education requirement
- That you were here on June 15, 2012
- That you came to the U.S. before you turned 16
- That you were under 31 on June 15, 2012.

What is an affidavit?

An affidavit is a sworn statement that is signed and dated. If you lie in an affidavit, you commit a crime. The following words turn a letter into an affidavit: "I declare under penalty of perjury that this statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief."

Who should write affidavits for me?

- If you need to submit an affidavit to show the government that you were here from June 15, 2007 until now because there are gaps in your evidence, you should get two or more people other than you to write affidavits for you. Find two or more people who actually spent time with you inside the United States during the gap period(s).
- If you need to submit an affidavit to describe a departure between June 15, 2007 and August 15, 2012, then follow the instructions above.
- If you need to submit an affidavit to show that you have good moral character, the same rules apply except that you may also write your own affidavit.

Does the person writing the affidavit need to be identified?

Yes! The person who writes an affidavit should clearly explain who he or she is.

Does the affidavit need to explain the relationship between you and the person writing the affidavit?

Yes! The affidavit should explain how the writer knows you. For example, if the person writing the affidavit knows you because you are neighbors or because he or she was your teacher, the affidavit should make that clear.

Does the affidavit need to be notarized?

No. If you submit an affidavit with your DACA application, it does not have to be signed in front of a notary public.

Can I have a sample affidavit?

Yes! Give the blank affidavit on the next page to the person you want to have write an affidavit for your DACA application. The sample that follows is for someone who needs more evidence to prove that they continuously lived in the U.S. since June 15, 2007. If you use this sample to meet a different DACA requirement, you will need to change the affidavit to fit your needs.

AFFIDAVIT OF _____

1. My name is _____. My address is _____
_____. My telephone number is _____.

2. I personally know _____ because _____
[name of DACA applicant] [basis of knowing applicant]

3. I know _____ was in the United States at the following times:
[name of DACA applicant]

_____.

I know this because _____

_____.

**I declare under penalty of perjury that the contents of this statement are true
and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.**

signature: _____

print name: _____

[date]