

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION
WASHINGTON ATTORNEY GENERAL**

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The Attorney General's Office seeks public input on the following opinion request(s).

**96-04-08 Request by Jeremy Randolph
 Prosecuting Attorney for Lewis County**

1. Must land patent documents be recorded, or may they be refused, and under what circumstances?
2. Must non-statutory abatement documents be recorded, or may they be refused, and under what circumstances?

**96-05-01 Request by Ralph Munro
 Secretary of State**

1. May election officials in the state of Washington accept the FPCA as an application for permanent voter registration pursuant to state law?
2. If the answer to question one is in the affirmative, is this acceptance discretionary or mandatory?
3. If the answer to question one is in the affirmative, does this form constitute a request for ongoing absentee status under RCW 29.36.013?
4. Does any written request for voter registration that contains the elements specified by RCW 29.07.005 constitute a valid voter registration application? Does the answer to this question depend on whether the applicant signs the oath specified in RCW 29.07.080 or another oath containing substantially the same information?

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