



FAMILY & TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Minor Travel Consent Information

Guidance for parents, guardians, and custodians preparing a minor to travel domestically or internationally.

When a Consent Letter Is Needed

A notarized **Minor Travel Consent** letter is often required whenever a child travels without one or both legal parents/guardians. Airlines, cruise lines, and border officials may request the letter at any point during travel — including at connecting airports.

What to Include in Your Consent Letter

- Full legal name and date of birth of the minor
- Full legal names and contact information of both parents / legal guardians
- Name and relationship of the traveling adult (if applicable)
- Destination(s), travel dates, and return date
- Airline, flight numbers, or cruise line details (recommended)
- Emergency contact numbers for the non-traveling parent(s)
- Statement of consent to medical care during travel (recommended)
- Signatures of both parents / legal guardians (to be signed at notarization)

What to Bring to the Appointment

- The unsigned consent letter (both parents sign in the notary's presence)
- Government-issued photo ID for each signing parent / guardian
- The minor's **birth certificate** or passport (recommended, not required)
- Court documents establishing custody, if applicable

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