

CHAPTER 85-03-03 CLAIMING PROPERTY

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85-03-03-01. Claims.

Repealed effective April 1, 2022.

85-03-03-02. Required documentation.

A claimant shall provide adequate documentation to establish ownership of the abandoned property, including photo identification and documentation of social security number.

1. The following additional documentation is required if a claim is submitted on behalf of:
 - a. Deceased individuals: Copy of death certificate and documentation providing legal claim authority.
 - b. Business claims: Federal employer identification number and documentation providing legal claim authority.
 - c. Incapacitated individuals: Copy of documentation providing legal claim authority.
 - d. Minors: Documentation sufficient to establish legal authority to act on the owner's behalf, if the owner is under the age of eighteen.
2. If there are multiple owners, all reported owners or the legal representative shall submit a claim form.
3. The administrator may request additional documentation necessary to support a claim.
4. If a claimant chooses to donate the property to the common schools trust fund, required documentation remains the same.

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General Authority: NDCC 15-01-02, 47-30.2-03

Law Implemented: NDCC 47-30.2-50, 47-30.2-51, 47-30.2-52

85-03-03-03. Payment of claim.

Upon approval of a claim, payment must be issued:

1. In the name of the reported owner;
2. In accordance with a court order; or
3. In the name of the rightful owner, as determined by the administrator, based on the records of the holder and other information available to the administrator.

History: Effective January 1, 2019.

General Authority: NDCC 47-30.2-03

Law Implemented: NDCC 47-30.-50, 47-30.2-51, 47-30.2-52

85-03-03-04. Heir finder requests.

1. An electronic list of owners must be provided upon request. The list includes:
 - a. Property held by the unclaimed property division as of the date of the request;
 - b. Owner's name;
 - c. Owner's last known address;
 - d. Holder information;
 - e. Date of last activity; and
 - f. Type of property.
2. A paper copy of the list must be provided upon request for a fee to be set by the administrator.

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General Authority: NDCC 47-30.2-03

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85-03-03-05. Claims submitted by heir finder.

An approved claim submitted by an heir finder must be paid in the name of the original owner.

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