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**LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY
VEHICLE AND WATERCRAFT TRANSACTIONS**

State Form 1940 (R7 / 11-24)

INDIANA BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES

The legal authority for this form is IC 9-17 and IC 30-5.

- INSTRUCTIONS**
1. Complete in blue or black ink. If more than one customer's signature is required, each customer must complete their own Limited Power of Attorney section below.
 2. Individuals must enter their residential address; companies must enter their principal place of business.
 3. The Limited Power of Attorney form must be notarized to be valid.
 4. The Notary Certificate may be notarized on the front of this form or by attaching a separate notary certificate.

SECTION ONE: CUSTOMER AND VEHICLE INFORMATION

Customer Name (first, middle initial, last, or company name)	Telephone Number	
Roselle M. Tichenor	(765) 555-0142	
Address (number and street)		
3412 Millbrook Trace		
City	State	ZIP Code
Kokomo	IN	46902
Vehicle or Hull Identification Number		
4 S 4 B S A F C 7 G 3 2 8 1 7 4 5		
Make of Vehicle / Watercraft	Year	Title Number (if known)
Subaru	2016	2110720046538

SECTION TWO: ATTORNEY-IN-FACT INFORMATION

Attorney-in-Fact Name (first, middle initial, last)	Telephone Number	
Marcus D. Tichenor	(317) 555-0198	
Address (number and street)		
1188 Conner St		
City	State	ZIP Code
Noblesville	IN	46060

SECTION THREE: AFFIRMATION

I hereby authorize the attorney-in-fact to complete transactions involving the certificate of title and/or registration for the vehicle or watercraft listed above.

SECTION FOUR: AUTHORIZING SIGNATURE

Signature of Customer Requiring Representative	Printed Name	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
Roselle M. Tichenor	Roselle M. Tichenor	08/05/2026

SECTION FIVE: NOTARY CERTIFICATE

STATE OF:	Indiana	
SS:	(SEAL)	
COUNTY OF:	Howard	
Sworn to before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County, this 5th day of August, 2026.		
Signature of Notary Public	Printed Name of Notary Public	Date Commission Expires (mm/dd/yyyy)
Bernadette C. Rittenhouse	Bernadette C. Rittenhouse	04/18/2030

How to fill out State Form 1940 — Limited Power of Attorney - Vehicle and Watercraft Transactions

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The one BMV vehicle form in this set that has to be notarised, and the only way somebody else signs an Indiana title for you. Five numbered sections: who you are, who the attorney-in-fact is, what they may do, your signature, and a notary certificate. It is limited by design - the authority it gives runs to the certificate of title and the registration for one named vehicle and stops there.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank State Form 1940 from the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles at <https://forms.in.gov/Download.aspx?id=5592&f=/in-sf1940.pdf> — always take the current revision from the agency rather than a copy. Print this and keep it beside you while you complete theirs.

Every line, in the order you meet it

1	YOU	Your details, section one	Name in the order first, middle initial, last or company name, telephone number, and your residential address. Watch out: Residential, per instruction 2. A company uses its principal place of business, which is not necessarily the address on its letterhead.
2	YOU	The vehicle	Vehicle or Hull Identification Number in its banded box, then Make, Year and the Title Number if you know it. Watch out: This is what limits the power of attorney. One identification number means one vehicle, and a second car needs a second form.
3	YOU	Section two, the attorney-in-fact	Their name, telephone number and full address. Watch out: Fill this in yourself and fill it in before you sign. A blank in section two on a form you have already signed is a blank cheque over your title.
4	YOU	Read section three	Nothing to complete - the printed authorisation covers transactions involving the certificate of title and/or registration for the vehicle listed above. Watch out: Note what it does not cover. It is not a general power of attorney and it gives nobody authority over anything except that one vehicle's paperwork.
5	YOU	Sign it in front of the notary	Signature of Customer Requiring Representative, printed name and date, in section four. Watch out: In front of, not before. The certificate below says sworn to before me, and a notary who did not watch you sign should not be completing it.
6	YOU	Watch the notary complete section five	State, county, the day, month and year, the notary's signature, printed name, commission expiry and seal - none of it yours to write, all of it yours to check. Watch out: Look at the commission expiry date before you leave the desk. An expired commission makes the certificate worthless, and nobody will discover that until a branch tells your buyer.
7	YOU	Hand over the original	The completed form goes with the certificate to the branch. Watch out: Keep a photocopy for yourself and a photograph on your phone. This document lets somebody else dispose of your car, and you should know exactly what it says afterwards.

What gets this one rejected

- An unnotarised form. Instruction 3 is a single sentence: the Limited Power of Attorney form must be notarized to be valid.
- Two customers on one sheet. Instruction 1 says if more than one customer's signature is required, each customer must complete their own Limited Power of Attorney section.
- A post office box for an individual. Instruction 2 asks individuals to enter their residential address; companies enter their principal place of business.
- A blank attorney-in-fact block. Signing section four with section two empty hands somebody a signed authority over your title with the name still to be filled in.
- An identification number that does not match the certificate. The authority attaches to one named vehicle, and a transposed character makes it an authority over nothing.
- A notary who was not there. The certificate reads sworn to before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County, which is a statement about presence.

☒ Amber is what you write ☐ Grey is a block somebody else completes The filled-in example is at the start of this sheet.

Read off State Form 1940 (R7 / 11-24) and the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles's own pages, current as of 2026-08-23. Plain-language help with a form, not legal advice — where this and the agency differ, the agency governs.

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