

AFFIDAVIT OF COMMON LAW NAME CHANGE

Hale v. Port of Portland, 783 P. 2d 506 - Or: Supreme Court 1989 provides:

The Oregon Territory adopted the English common law in two acts.

Statehood did not change the law. Article XVIII, section 7, of the Oregon Constitution, adopted in 1859, provides:

"All laws in force in the Territory of Oregon when this constitution takes effect, and consistent therewith, shall continue in force until altered or repealed."

Oregon recognized common law name change in Ouellette v. Ouellette

420 P. 2d 631, 245 Or. 138 - Or: Supreme Court, 1966

The court recognized that at common law a person could change his name at will without legal proceedings and that such proceedings were merely an aid to the establishment of a name change.

STATE OF OREGON

ss.}

COUNTY OF _____

_____, previously known as _____, affirms the following:

1. I am currently ___ years of age, I was born on the ___ day of _____, _____

2. My birth records and other legal documents have the name(s) of:

3. I have since changed my name to _____ **at will** under the Common law.

4. I have not changed my name for any fraudulent purpose or to avoid criminal prosecution.

5. I am making this Affidavit in order to aid appropriate agencies in correcting or adjusting my records.

Current Signature in new name

Previous signature in old name

State of Oregon

County of _____

Signed and sworn to before me on _____ by _____.

Notary Public - State of Oregon

Notary Expiration Date _____

(Notary Seal)