

Attestation by Foreigner

How to Apply: Download the “**Miscellaneous Service Form**” and submit along with:

- Self-attested copy of passport (first page and last page);
- Self-attested copy of visa/work permit/residence permit;
- Proof of Residential address in South Africa. This can be a copy of any one of the following:
 - i. South African Driving license.
 - ii. Water or landline telephone bill displaying applicant address
 - iii. House Lease Agreement
 - iv. Identification Card

Note: Bank/credit card/mobile phone statements are not accepted as residence proof

For a foreigner, the following steps/action are required to get the GPA apostilled:

STEP 1:

The applicant must get the documents verified by a Public Notary (Attorney registered at the High Court) of your choice. The Public Notary will verify the contents of the documents. (Refer to "www.northernlaw.co.za" for a list of Public Notaries).

STEP 2:

The verified documents must then be taken to the Registrar of the High Court of South Africa – in the same jurisdiction as the Public Notary. The Registrar will verify the signature of the Public Notary.

Note: Documents to be Authenticated (for non-Hague Convention countries) or Apostilled (for countries that are signatory to the Hague Convention). Please visit www.hcch.net for further information on signatory countries. India is a signatory to the Hague Convention.

STEP 3:

After authentication (for non-signatory countries) by the High Court, the documents must be submitted to the Department of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO) Legalisation Section for further authentication.

Note: If a country is signatory to the Hague Convention, the High Court should issue and affix an apostille to the document. This document need not be submitted to the DIRCO Legalisation Section.

- Any other document as specified by the Consular Officer

Note: Please carry originals of all the supporting documents to be presented to the Consular Officer (photocopies of which are to be attached with the application). One set of supporting documents and papers to be attested will be kept by the High Commission/Consulate. The High Commission/Consulate reserves the right to reject attestation of documents the contents of which are objectionable or contrary to the Rules.