

## STATEMENT REGARDING THE INFERRED DEATH OF AN INDIVIDUAL BY REASON OF CONTINUED AND UNEXPLAINED ABSENCE

All items on this form must be answered or marked "unknown" If you need more space for answers, attach a separate sheet.

**Paperwork Act Notice:** Your response to this request is voluntary. The Social Security Administration will use the information you furnish to make a finding about the inferred death of the missing person. The information is needed by the Social Security Administration to help process a claim for Social Security Benefits. Authority to collect this information is contained in 20 CFR 404.720 and 404.721.

NAME OF MISSING PERSON	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER  _ _ _ _ / _ _ _ / _ _ _ _
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I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS STATEMENT IS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CONNECTION WITH AN APPLICATION FILED BY THE APPLICANT SHOWN BELOW FOR BENEFITS PAYABLE UNDER THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT AND THAT THE APPLICANT'S RIGHT TO SUCH BENEFITS IS SUBJECT TO A DETERMINATION AS TO THE INFERRED DEATH OF THE MISSING PERSON, ALSO LISTED BELOW.

FULL NAME OF APPLICANT

1. My relationship to the applicant is _____ →	CHILD, MOTHER, CLOSE FRIEND, CASUAL FRIEND, ETC.
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2. Give the name and address of the person with whom the missing person was living a the time of disappearance.

NAME	ADDRESS

3. My relationship to the missing person is _____ →	CHILD, MOTHER, CLOSE FRIEND, CASUAL FRIEND, ETC.
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4. I have known the missing person since _____ →	SPECIFY DATE
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5. a. When was missing person born? _____ →	MONTH-DAY-YEAR
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b. Where was missing person born?

CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY
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6. If any of the missing person's children, brothers, sisters, or parents are living now, give the following information. If none, or unknown, so indicate.

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS

7. Check whether the missing person was:	<input type="checkbox"/> married	<input type="checkbox"/> single	<input type="checkbox"/> widowed	<input type="checkbox"/> divorced
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8. Give the names and addresses of relatives (other than those listed in 6 above) and friends with whom the missing person usually visited or corresponded.

NAME	ADDRESS

9.	Was the missing person on good terms with his family and acquaintances? (If "no," explain your answer.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
10.	a. Give date you last saw missing person <span style="font-size: 1.2em;">→</span>	EXACT DATE IF POSSIBLE, OTHERWISE APPROXIMATE DATE	
	NAME OF PLACE WHERE YOU LAST SAW MISSING PERSON	ADDRESS	
	Describe the circumstances of this last occasion.		
	c. Did the missing person tell you he was planning to travel? (If "yes," to what place?)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
11.	a. Do you know anyone who would ordinarily be familiar with the missing person's plans? (If "Yes," give their names and addresses.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	b. What information or opinion do you have about the missing person's reasons for leaving?		
	c. What personal effects did the missing person take? (include clothing, hand luggage, trunk, money, etc.)		
12.	a. Have you seen, heard from, or heard of the missing person, directly or through anyone else, since the time of disappearance? (If "Yes," explain.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	b. Give the name and address of anyone who has heard from or about the missing person.		
	c. If you have received any mail from the missing person since the time of disappearance, where was it mailed from? (Attach such communication or explain its contents.)		
13.	a. Was the missing person working at the time of disappearance? (If "Yes," give name and address of the employer.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	b. What was the missing person's usual occupation? <span style="font-size: 1.2em;">→</span>	SPECIFY	
14.	Was the missing person in a position of danger or peril at the time of disappearance? (If "Yes," describe the danger or peril and state the basis for your knowledge.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
15.	a. Was the missing person bonded? (If "Yes," give the name and address of the bonding company.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	b. What was the condition of the missing person's accounts at the time of disappearance?		

16.	<p>a. Were any court proceedings pending which involved the missing person at the time of disappearance (civil or criminal, such as divorce action, court order or decree requiring support of wife or children, etc.)? (If "Yes," explain.) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	
	<p>b. Had a warrant for arrest been issued? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>c. Did the missing person have any financial troubles at the time of disappearance? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
	<p>d. Did the missing person express dissatisfaction with surroundings, work, home conditions, etc.? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	
17.	<p>a. What was the missing person's reputation in the community for steadiness, sobriety, industry?</p>	
	<p>b. What were the missing person's habits regarding leaving for long periods?</p>	
	<p>c. What were the missing person's habits in keeping other person's informed as to his whereabouts?</p>	
18.	<p>Do you know of any circumstances indicating that the missing person was not in good physical and mental health at the time of disappearance? (If "Yes," explain.)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
19.	<p>Had the missing person ever been treated for a mental illness? (If "Yes," indicate when and in what institution.)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
20.	<p>a. Were the police notified of the disappearance? (If "Yes," state when.) (If "No," state why not.)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	<p>b. Give the name and address of other agencies that were called upon to aid in the search for the missing person, and explain the result of their investigation.</p>	
	<p>c. Were city or State death records searched after the missing person's disappearance? (If "Yes," state when and where.)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	<p>d. Describe other efforts made to locate the missing person.</p>	
	<p>e. Attach copy of reports by police or other agencies, if available.</p>	<p>f. Attach newspaper items, if any, relating to the disappearance.</p>
21.	<p>a. Has any court ever been asked to declare the missing person dead? (If "Yes," state when, and give the name and address of the court.)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	<p>b. Explain the result of the court's findings. (Attach a copy of the proceedings, if available.)</p>	

22.	Did the missing person have a bank account? (If "Yes," give name and address of the bank.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
23.	a. Did the missing person have any life insurance? (If "Yes," give the name and address of the insurance company.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	b. Was the insurance paid off at full value? (If "No," explain your answer.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
24.	What is your estimate of the value of all other property owned by the missing person? (Describe principal items of property, and indicate whether the missing person owned them outright.)		
25.	a. Do you believe that the missing person is dead? (If "No," what, in your opinion, is the reason for the missing person's silence?)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	b. Do you know of any reason why the missing person, if living, should not reveal his whereabouts? (If "Yes," explain your answer.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
26.	State any other facts which you think would throw light on whether the missing person is now dead or alive.		

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**SIGNATURE OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT**

Signature (First name, middle initial, last name) (write in ink)	Date (Month, day, year)
<b>SIGN HERE</b>	Area Code & Telephone Number

Mailing Address (Number and street, Apt No., P.O. Box, or Rural Route)

City and State	ZIP Code	Enter Name of County (if any) in which you now live
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Witnesses are required ONLY if this statement has been signed by mark (X) above. If signed by mark (X), two witnesses to the signing who know the claimant must sign below, giving their full addresses.

1. Signature of Witness	2. Signature of Witness
Address (Number and street, City, State, and Zip Code)	Address (Number and street, City, State, and Zip Code)