Morrow County Health District Vital Statistics Certificate of Death Social Security Number Listing of Satisfactory Proof of Relationship Policy

ORC 3705.25(5): For the first five years after a decedent's death, a decedent's social security number shall not be included on a certified copy of the decedent's death certificate unless that information is specifically requested to be on the certified copy by one of the following who presents proof satisfactory to the director, state registrar, or local registrar of the person's identity:

Relationship to the Decedent	Acceptable/Satisfactory Proof of Relationship
 Spouse or legal partner Natural or adopted child Natural or adopted grandchild Natural or adopted great-grandchild *Genealogy researcher (lineal descendants only. Does not include collateral descendants – i.e., parent, sibling, grandparent, aunt, uncle, cousin, etc.). 	 Current state issued photo identification plus one of the following: Marriage license of spouse or legal partner Decedent's Certificate of Death designating the name of the surviving spouse *¹ Birth certificate of the natural or adopted child listing the decedent as the parent (see note below) Most recent Income tax Return (1040) Joint banking/financial account documentation A Will or any legal document issued through a US court of law that verifies ancestry Medical or life insurance policy listing relationship to the decedent Baptismal record listing the lineal decedent Notarized affidavit of relationship
 Veteran's Administration officer or official Local, state or federal law enforcement official or agency Funeral director or an authorized representative Journalist or media organization representative Executor or administrator of the decedent's estate Attorney representing the executor or administrator Agent with power of attorney Adult representative or successor with written authorization executed by the decedent Any person authorized by law to act on behalf of the decedent or the decedent's estate 	 Employee identification badge A written request on agency letterhead signed by an official requesting the visibility of the social security number on the certified death certificate copy Written authorization executed by the decedent that permits the representative to act on his/her behalf Any legal document issued through a US court of law authorizing any person to act on behalf of the decedent or the decedent's estate

Note: *1: Staff may utilize the IPHIS/EDRS database to verify the identity of Ohio birth record information provided proper photo identification is provided.

- Customer requests made by mail will require acceptable/satisfactory proof of relationship before the social security number will be viewable on the death certificate. Proof of relationship can be submitted by mail, fax or email. Phone verification requests will not be permitted.
- If a certified certificate has been issued with a redacted social security number, the purchaser can provide proof of relationship at a later date to exchange it for a certified certificate with a social security number.
- Requests for plain paper copy of a death certificate received from a local, state or federal government agency for use in official government business will be issued upon receipt of a written request for a "For Governmental Use Only" certificate copy submitted on agency letterhead signed by an official requesting the visibility of the social security number on the death certificate copy.

MORROW COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT VITAL STATISTICS PROOF OF RELATIONSHIP VERIFICATION ADDENDUM

I am hereby requesting that the social security

number appear on the death certificate for ______

whose death occurred on ____/___ in Morrow County, Ohio.

(Signature of Requestor)

For Official Use Only

____/___/____ (Date)

Local Registrar/SFN No. Secur	ity Paper No. Verified By
Relationship to the Decedent Relationship to the Decedent Natural or adopted child Natural or adopted grandchild or great- grandchild Licensed funeral director or agent Federal/state/local government official Press or media Executor or administrator of the estate or an agent Agent with power of attorney Private investigator Other:	Proof of Relationship Used Proof of Relationship Used Current state issued photo identification plus one of the following (lineal descendants only) Marriage license Decedent's Certificate of Death designating the name of the surviving spouse Birth certificate or birth certification Income tax return (1040) Bank account documentation (joint) Filed & stamped Application to Probate Will /Entry Admitting Will to Probate or legal documentation issued by a US court Medical or life insurance policy Baptismal record Notarized affidavit of relationship Employee identification badge Written authorization executed by the decedent Other: