TeleSeal Electronic Journal & Audio/Video Handling SOP

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1. Purpose

Define the procedures for creating, storing, securing, and retrieving the electronic journal and audio/video (A/V) recordings of Remote Online Notarization (RON) sessions, in compliance with Arizona RON rules $(A.R.S. \S 2-12-1308, \S 2-12-1309)$ and TeleSeal policies.

2. Scope

Covers all RON sessions conducted via TeleSeal, including:

- Electronic journal entries
- Synchronous A/V recordings
- Secure storage, retention, and disposal

Applies to Notaries, Compliance Team, IT/DevOps, and any staff interacting with journal or A/V data.

3. Roles & Responsibilities

Role	Responsibility	
Notary	Create accurate journal entries; start/stop recording per SOP	
Session Host	Verify recording status; ensure journal fields are completed	
Compliance Team	Audit journal & A/V integrity; review tamper-evidence controls	
IT/DevOps	Configure recording pipelines; enforce encryption & retention policies	
CISO	Maintain policies; review audit logs; oversee integrity controls	

4. Journal Entry Procedure

1. Session Initialization

- Upon client & Notary joining, system auto-generates a Session ID.
- Journal record created with Session ID, Notary ID, timestamp.

2. Logging Events

For each key action, automatically record:

- Identity Proofing: method (Authenticate.com credential, KBA, witness), result, timestamp
- Document Load: document name/ID, pages count, timestamp
- Signature Event: actor (Notary or Signer), page/field, click coordinates, timestamp
- Seal Application: Notary ID, certificate serial, timestamp
- Session End: timestamp, duration

3. Tamper-Evidence

• Each entry chained via cryptographic hash; alterations break the chain.

4. Access Controls

- Read/write limited to service account and Compliance Team via RBAC & MFA.
- Audit trail of any journal access or export.

5. A/V Recording Procedure

1. Recording Start

- Automatically initiate Twilio Video recording at session start.
- Record both audio and HD video streams; link to Session ID.

2. Monitoring

- Session Host verifies live recording indicator before identity proof begins.
- System alerts if recording fails or disconnects.

3. Pause/Resume

• Allow brief pause only for technical issues; record pause/resume events in the journal.

4. Recording Stop

- Automatically stop upon session end.
- Consolidate media segments into a single encrypted container.

6. Storage & Retention

Asset Type	Storage Location	Retention Period	Post-30-Day Transition
Raw A/V Files	AWS S3 (SSE-KMS)	30 days	Transition to Glacier Deep Archive (Immutable)
Archived A/V	AWS Glacier Deep Archive	7 years	Locked until retention expires

- Immutable Lock prevents deletion or modification until retention expiry.
- Backups: Daily snapshot of RDS and S3 bucket; encrypted and stored in separate AWS region.

7. Retrieval & Access

1. Compliance Audits

- Compliance Team requests retrieval via ticket.
- IT/DevOps grants time-limited, read-only access via secure link.

2. User Requests

- Client downloads signed PDF via portal; A/V and journal links not exposed directly.
- For legal requests, provide exports under NDA.

3. Logging

• All retrievals (export, view, download) logged with user ID, asset ID, and timestamp.

8. Security & Integrity

- Encryption In Transit: TLS 1.2+ for all S3 and database connections.
- Encryption At Rest: AES-256 for S3 and RDS; AWS KMS for key management.
- Integrity Checks: Scheduled Lambda verifies journal hash chain; alerts on discrepancies.
- Access Reviews: Annual review of journal/A/V access logs by Security Team.

9. Exception Handling

- If recording fails irrecoverably:
 - Notary logs the failure as a journal entry.
 - Client must reschedule or revert to in-person notarization.
- Emergency data access (e.g., legal subpoena):
 - Obtain CISO approval; document in Incident Log; provide minimal required data.

10. Review & Updates

- Reviewed annually or upon:
 - Changes to Arizona RON regulations
 - New AWS/Twilio feature releases impacting recording/storage
 - Audit findings or security incidents

End of TeleSeal Electronic Journal & Audio/Video Handling SOP