

LAWYERS TRUST FUND OF ILLINOIS

Application for Certification

FORM B

Financial Institutions that do not elect to pay the "safe harbor" rate (FORM A) on IOLTA accounts must apply for certification to verify compliance with the revised IOLTA Rule. Please complete this Application for Certification, signed by the Chief Executive Officer or other authorized executive officer and return it to the Lawyers Trust Fund.

Declaration of the Financial Institution:

We have reviewed the comparability options identified in the revised IOLTA rule (Rule 1.15, Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct) to provide IOLTA accounts with the highest yield available to comparable non-IOLTA depositors. As a result we will:

A. Adjust the interest rate paid on IOLTA Accounts to be comparable to the rate paid on an existing product type:

Product Type: _____ Interest Rate: _____ % Effective Date: _____

B. Convert existing IOLTA accounts to a new or existing product type:

Product Type: _____ Interest Rate: _____ % Effective Date: _____

C. Other (please describe): _____

(Please attach additional pages if necessary)

Documentation Requirement: Please attach substantiating documentation to expedite your application, including: deposit rate sheets, product descriptions, and any analysis or explanation in support of the above. Undocumented or incomplete applications will not be certified and delays may jeopardize your ability to be certified.

Name of financial institution: _____

Name of person executing the form: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone : _____ E-mail: _____

Contact person (if different from above): _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone : _____ E-mail: _____

I certify that the above information is accurate.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Mail, fax or e-mail this form to:

Lawyers Trust Fund of Illinois

65 East Wacker Place Suite 1900 Chicago, IL 60601

Tel: (312) 938-3001 **Fax:** (312) 938-3091

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Note: Completion and acceptance of this statement pertains only to eligibility to hold IOLTA deposits under Rule 1.15 and the interest rate comparability requirements of Rule 1.15(f). To be eligible to hold any lawyer trust accounts, a financial institution must also complete an agreement to report trust account overdrafts to the Attorney Registration & Disciplinary Commission. More information about this requirement can be found at www.iardc.org.