

**Rule 606. Filing of Affidavits**

Upon return of the sheriff or other process server indicating that the defendant cannot be found in the county and, in the case of a nonresidential premises, where no person actually occupies the premises described in the complaint, or, in the case the premises described in the complaint is residential, service has been attempted at least twice on different days, with at least one of the attempts having been made between the hours of 6:00 and 10:00 p.m., the plaintiff or plaintiff's lawyer shall:

(1) file an affidavit stating that the defendant cannot be found or on belief that the defendant is not in the state, and

(2) file an affidavit stating that a copy of the summons and complaint has been mailed to the defendant at the defendant's last known address or that such an address is unknown to the plaintiff.

Service of the summons may be made upon the defendant by posting the summons in a conspicuous place on the premises for not less than one week. A separate affidavit shall be filed stating that the summons has been posted and the date and location of the posting.

(Amended effective January 1, 1998.)

***Advisory Committee Comment - 1999 Amendment***

*This rule is amended to conform the service requirements to the service provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1999 Supplement, section 504B.331. The procedure of the revised rule also streamlines the procedure for issuance, service, and filing of process, and should permit service to be accomplished at a lower cost.*