

Applications To Amend/Correct Name

An application to amend and/or correct name may be required when there is an error in the name of a registered proprietor of land, mortgage or charge.

An explanation as to how the error occurred must be given by the registered proprietor of the land, mortgage or charge. Depending on the degree of error further declarations from persons who knew the registered owner for a period of ten (10) years must also be produced. If the error is within the knowledge of the attorney-at-law who prepared the documents a supporting declaration from that attorney may be submitted in support of the application, for example, name given was spelt incorrectly due to an error in the attorney's office.

In the case of a corporation the application is made by the company but the declaration should be done by its duly authorized officer and the company is required to sign the application under Seal.

Confirmation of Identity

The Registrar of Titles must be satisfied that the applicant is one and the same person as appearing on the Certificate of Title. The information in the application must confirm that the individual is the same person and give a plausible explanation for the discrepancy in the names.

Accompanying Documents

A certified copy of the birth certificate of the registered owner must be produced in the case of individuals and a certified copy of the certificate of incorporation in the case of corporate bodies. These documents form a part of our records and will not be returned to the applicant.

More than One Registered Proprietor

If there is more than one registered owner all the registered owners must join in the declaration in form of a Statutory Declaration.

Outstanding Encumbrances

If there are outstanding mortgages then consent of the mortgagee is also required.

Other Documentation

In no case will a registered proprietor of land, mortgage, lease or charge be allowed to deal in any name other than the name that appears on the Register.

Fee

The fee on lodging the application to correct name is Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). Fee No. 38 and the fee for effecting the amendment is (\$200.00) or such other fee as assessed by the Registrar commensurate with the difficulty of the work involved.

General Notes

The application form is readily available on our website www.nla.gov.jm or the intranet. The duplicate Certificate of Title must be presented. The first amendment or correction is made in red.