

**Supplemental Instructions
DFAS R&A Pay**

**Form FAA9573
Affidavit in Support of Common-Law Marriage**

When to use this form:

This form should be completed when no formal marriage was recorded with the state. A common law marriage is the intent to be married combined with living together and holding one's self out to the world as married.

To complete the Affidavit in Support of Common Law Marriage (FAA9573), please follow the instructions below. Carefully read and complete all information as requested, and be sure to include any required documentation with your submission.

Instructions by Section

Section	Instruction
Blocks 1-2	Please enter the state and county you currently live in.
Blocks 3-5	Please enter your full name and current mailing address.
Paragraph 1	Please enter the date that is considered to be the marriage date followed by the retiree's full name.
Paragraph 2	Please provide the timeframe and addresses in which you both lived together as husband and wife.
Paragraph 3	Please advise if you were previously married. If not, please circle 'was not' and proceed to paragraph 4. If previously married, please circle 'was' and provide the date, place of marriage, how the marriage was terminated and dated, place of termination. Please ensure to provide supporting documentation.
Paragraph 4	Please enter the retiree's full name.
Paragraph 5	This document must be signed before a Military Officer or a Notary. Once the document is signed the Military Officer or Notary will stamp the document, making it a legal form.

Required Documentation

This form requires the following accompanying documentation for processing:

- ☐ **Bank Account Statements**
- ☐ **Property Deed**
- ☐ **Marriage Certificate to previous marriage** (*if applicable*)
- ☐ **Divorce Decree for previous marriage** (*if applicable*)

Submission and Questions

Please return all documents by mail or fax to:

Defense Finance and Accounting Service
Retired and Annuitant Pay
P.O. Box 7130
London, KY 40742-7130
Fax: 1 (800) 469-6559

Please direct questions to the address listed or call our customer service representatives at 1 (800) 321-1080, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.