

# LEGAL ALERT

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On May 16th, 2023, Canada joined the Apostille Convention, that has the objective to eliminate the legalization process for foreign public documents through the use of a unique certification: the Apostille.

In Canada, the convention came in effect on January 11th, 2024. Furthermore, the documents issued in this country and that have the Apostille, may be used in Chile without needing a legalization procedure.

The documents issued in Chile that have an Apostille certification, may be used in Canada as well as in any other country that is part of the Apostille Convention.

According to official information by the Canadian government, the public service in charge of performing the Apostille certification will depend on the competent authority that issues the document, as per the below table:

### **Apostille issued by Global Affairs Canada**

- Documents issued by the Canadian government.
- Documents issued or notarized in Manitoba, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Northwest Territories, Nova Scotia, Nunavut, Prince Edward Island and Yukon.

### **Apostille issued by provincial competent authority**

- Documents issued or notarized in Alberta, British Columbia, Ontario, Quebec and Saskatchewan.

For more information, please check the Global Affairs Canada website through the following QR:



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