this section by the executor or administrator of the estate of a deceased owner or by the person or persons who would have been entitled to the bond under subpart L, or by the legal representative of the estate of a person under legal disability, unless surrender of the bond for payment has eliminated the interest of a surviving coowner or beneficiary. See §315.70 (b) and (c).

#### Subpart I—Reissue and Denominational Exchange

#### §315.45 General.

Reissue of a bond may be made only under the conditions specified in these regulations, and only at:

- (a) A Federal Reserve Bank or Branch, or
- (b) The Bureau of the Public Debt.

Reissue will not be made if the request is received less than one full calendar month before the final maturity date of a bond. The request, however, will be effective to establish ownership as though the reissue had been made.

# § 315.46 Effective date of request for reissue.

The Department of the Treasury will treat the receipt by:

- (a) A Federal Reserve Bank or Branch or
- (b) The Bureau of the Public Debt of a bond and an acceptable request for reissue as determining the date upon which the rights of the parties are fixed for the purpose of reissue.

For example, if the owner or either coowner of a bond dies after the bond has been surrendered for reissue, the bond will be regarded as having been reissued in the decedent's lifetime.

### § 315.47 Authorized reissue—during lifetime.

A bond belonging to an individual may be reissued in any authorized form of registration upon an appropriate request for the purposes outlined below:

- (a) Single ownership. A bond registered in single ownership form may be reissued—
  - (1) To add a coowner or beneficiary;
- (2) To name a new owner, with or without a coowner or beneficiary, but only if:

- (i) The new owner is related to the previous owner by blood (including legal adoption) or marriage,
- (ii) The previous owner and the new owner are parties to a divorce or annulment, or
- (iii) The new sole owner is the trustee of a personal trust estate which was created by the previous owner or which designates as beneficiary either the previous owner or a person related to him or her by blood (including legal adoption) or marriage.
- (b) Coownership—(1) Reissue—to name a related individual as owner or coowner. During the lifetime of both coowners, a coownership bond may be reissued in the name of another individual related by blood (including legal adoption) or marriage to either coowner—
  - (i) As single owner,
- (ii) As owner with one of the original coowners as beneficiary, or
- (iii) As a new coowner with one of the original coowners.
- (2) Reissue—to name either coowner alone or with another individual as coowner or beneficiary. During the lifetime of both coowners, a coownership bond may be reissued in the name of either coowner alone or with another individual as coowner or beneficiary if—
- (i) After issue of the submitted bond, either coowner named thereon marries, or the coowners are divorced or legally separated from each other, or their marriage is annulled; or
- (ii) Both coowners on the submitted bond are related by blood (including legal adoption) or marriage to each other.
- (3) Reissue—to name the trustee of a personal trust estate. A bond registered in coownership form may be reissued to name a trustee of a personal trust estate created by either coowner or by some other person if:
- (i) Either coowner is a beneficiary of the trust, or
- (ii) A beneficiary of the trust is related by blood or marriage to either coowner.
- (c) *Beneficiary*. A bond registered in beneficiary form may be reissued—
- (1) To name the beneficiary as coowner:
- (2) To eliminate the name of the owner and to name as owner a custodian for the beneficiary, if a minor,

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under a statute authorizing gifts to minors;

- (3) To eliminate the beneficiary or to substitute another individual as beneficiary, but only if the request is supported by the certified consent of the beneficiary or by proof of his or her death; or
- (4) To eliminate the names of the owner and the beneficiary and to name as new owner the trustee of the personal trust estate which was created by the previous owner or which designates as beneficiary either the previous owner or a person related to him or her by blood (including legal adoption) or marriage, but only if the request is supported by the certified consent of the beneficiary or by proof of his or her death.

#### § 315.48 Restrictions on reissue.

- (a) Denominational exchange. Reissue is not permitted solely to change denominations.
- (b) United States Treasury. Reissue may not be made to eliminate the United States Treasury as coowner or beneficiary.

#### §315.49 Correction of errors.

A bond may be reissued to correct an error in registration upon appropriate request, supported by satisfactory proof of the error.

#### §315.50 Change of name.

An owner, coowner, or beneficiary whose name is changed by marriage, divorce, annulment, order of court, or in any other legal manner after the issue of bond should submit the bond with a request for reissue to substitute the new name for the name inscribed on the bond. Documentary evidence may be required in any appropriate case.

### $\S 315.51$ Requests for reissue.

A request for reissue of bonds in coownership form during the lifetime of the coowners must be signed by both coowners, except that a request solely to eliminate the name of one coowner may be signed by that coowner only. A bond registered in beneficiary form may be reissued upon the request of the owner, supported by the certified consent of the beneficiary or by proof of his or her death. Public Debt forms are available for requesting reissue.

### Subpart J—Certifying Officers

## \$315.55 Individuals authorized to certify.

The following individuals are authorized to act as certifying officers for the purpose of certifying a request for payment, reissue, or a signature to a Public Debt form:

- (a) Officers generally authorized—(1) At banks, trust companies, and member organizations of the Federal Home Loan Bank System. (i) Any officer of a bank incorporated in the United States, the territories or possessions of the United States, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
- (ii) Any officer of a trust company incorporated in the United States, the territories or possessions of the United States, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
- (iii) Any officer of an organization that is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System. This includes Federal savings and loan associations.
- (iv) Any officer of a foreign branch or a domestic branch of an institution described in paragraphs (a) (1)(i) through (iii) of this section.
- (v) Any officer of a Federal Reserve Bank, a Federal Land Bank, or a Federal Home Loan Bank.
- (vi) Any employee of an institution described in paragraphs (a)(1)(i) through (v) of this section, who is expressly authorized to certify by the institution.

Certification by these officers or designated employees must be authenticated by a legible imprint either of a corporate stamp of the institution or of the issuing or paying agent's stamp. An employee authorized to certify requests must sign his or her name over the title "Designated Employee".

- (2) At issuing agents that are not banks or trust companies. Any officer of an organization, not a bank or a trust company, that is qualified as an issuing agent for savings bonds. The agent's stamp must be imprinted in the certification.
- (3) By United States officials. Any judge, clerk, or deputy clerk of a United States court, including United