

# PRELIMINARY NOTICES ON PRIVATE COMMERCIAL PROJECTS



The first step to secure mechanic's lien rights on a **private commercial project** may be to serve a preliminary notice.

**A preliminary notice is not a mechanic's lien.** It's a prerequisite to filing a mechanic's lien and identifies you as a supplier of labor and/or materials to the construction project.

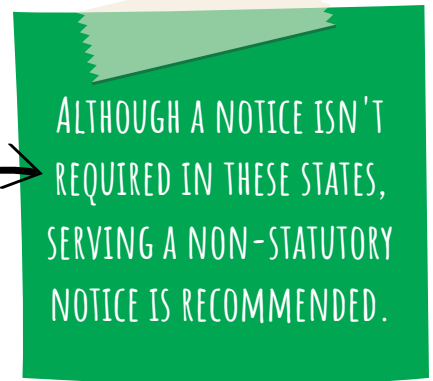
Depending on the state in which it's served, a preliminary notice may go by a different name.

## 33 STATES HAVE A STATUTORY PRELIMINARY NOTICE

Generally, a notice is required on private commercial projects in the following states to protect any future rights to file a mechanic's lien.

- Alabama
- Alaska
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- California
- Florida
- Georgia
- Iowa
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- Nevada
- New Hampshire
- New Mexico
- North Carolina
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- South Dakota
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Utah
- Washington
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming

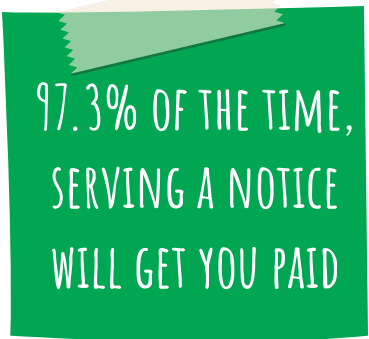
## 4 STATES HAVE AN OPTIONAL NOTICE



## 13 STATES DON'T HAVE A STATUTORY NOTICE

- Connecticut
- Delaware
- Hawaii
- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Kansas
- Maine
- Montana
- Nebraska
- New York
- North Dakota
- Vermont

The notice, even when not required, drives payment & makes you a payment priority.



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