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THE CIVIL COURT OF CHILE ISSUES PRESUMPTIVE DEATH CERTIFICATES. A LAWYER MUST PETITION THE COURT PRESENTING ALL SUBSTANTIATING EVIDENCE OF THE FACT TO REQUEST ISSUANCE OF SAID CERTIFICATE. A PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL OR AN EMBASSY CANNOT DIRECTLY PETITION THE COURT; A LAWYER MUST BE HIRED TO REPRESENT THE CONCERNED PARTY. THERE IS A WAITING PERIOD OF AT LEAST ONE YEAR (AFTER THE PRESUMPTIVE DEATH) BEFORE THE COURT CAN BE PETITIONED. ONCE THE COURT HAS DETERMINED THAT A MISSING PERSON IS PRESUMED TO HAVE DIED, A DEATH CERTIFICATE CAN BE ISSUED BY THE CIVIL REGISTRAR'S OFFICE. BARNES

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