

CHAPTER 63A

ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS

Referred to in [§331.301](#)

63A.1 General authority.
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63A.1 General authority.

The following officers are empowered to administer oaths and to take affirmations:

1. Justices of the supreme court and judges of the court of appeals and district courts, including district associate judges and judicial magistrates.
2. Official court reporters of district courts in taking depositions under appointment or by agreement of counsel.
3. The clerk and deputy clerks of the supreme court and the clerks of the district court and their designees.
4. Notaries public.
5. Certified shorthand reporters.

[C51, §227, 979, 980, 1594; R60, §201, 449, 1843, 1844, 2684; C73, §277, 278, 396; C97, §393; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §1215; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §78.1]

[89 Acts, ch 296, §12](#); [91 Acts, ch 116, §1](#)

C93, §63A.1

Referred to in [§63A.2](#), [229A.5A](#), [277.28](#), [602.8103](#)

63A.2 Limited authority.

The following officers and persons are empowered to administer oaths and to take affirmations in any matter pertaining to the business of their respective office, position, or appointment:

1. Governor, secretary of state, secretary of agriculture, auditor of state, treasurer of state, and attorney general.
2. Members of all boards, commissions, or bodies created by law.
3. All county officers other than those named in [section 63A.1](#).
4. Mayors and clerks of cities, precinct election officials, township clerks, assessors, and surveyors.
5. All duly appointed referees or appraisers.
6. All investigators for supplementary assistance as provided for under [chapter 249](#).
7. The director and employees of the department of revenue, as authorized by the director, and as set forth in [chapters 421](#) and [422](#).

[C51, §980, 1865; R60, §1844, 3201; C73, §277, 278; C97, §393; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §1216; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §78.2]

[89 Acts, ch 296, §13](#)

C93, §63A.2

[2003 Acts, ch 145, §286](#); [2006 Acts, ch 1010, §40](#); [2018 Acts, ch 1041, §17](#)

Referred to in [§277.28](#), [331.553](#), [331.603](#), [331.652](#), [331.758](#)

Members of general assembly, [§2.8](#)

Veterinary assistants, [§163.5](#)

Law enforcement agencies, [§805.6](#)

63A.3 Jurat by deputy.

In preparing a jurat to an oath or affirmation administered by a deputy, it shall be sufficient for the deputy to affix the deputy's own name, together with the designation of the deputy's official position, and the seal of principal, if any.

[C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §1217; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §78.3]

C93, §63A.3