



Jonesboro's Boards and Commissions Duplicate Official Oath of Office

Every officer administering this Oath of Office is required by law to endorse this duplicate thereof, which must be returned to the Office of City Clerk, City Hall, Room 111, Jonesboro, Arkansas, 72401, **WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS** after the Commission is dated.

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of _____, upon which I am now about to enter.

(Term of Office)

(Date of Expiration)

(signature)

(street address)

(city, state, zip code)

(telephone number)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, _____
(name of person administering oath)

A _____ in and for the _____
(position of administering officer) (state, county, or judicial district)

this ____ day of _____, 2004.

(signature of Administering Officer)

****This Oath may be administered through the provisions of ACA 21-2-105 depending on the office to which you were elected but NOT BY A NOTARY PUBLIC! ****

(a)(1) The Governor shall take the oath of office before one (1) of the justices of the Supreme Court or one (1) of the judges of the circuit courts, the county clerk, or the clerk of the the circuit court.

(2) The justices of the Supreme Court and judges of the circuit courts, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, and Auditor of State shall take their oaths before the Governor or any of the justices of the Supreme Court or one of the judges of the circuit courts, the clerk of the county court, or the clerk of the circuit court.

(3) All other officers, both civil and military, shall take their oaths before the Secretary of State or his or her official designee, any justice or judge, clerk of the county court, clerk of the circuit court, or justice of the peace.

(b) However, if the officer is serving in or with the armed forces of the United States, he or she may take the oath of office before any commissioned officer in active service of the armed forces of the United States with the rank of second lieutenant or higher in the Army, Air Force, or Marine Corps, or ensign or higher in the Navy or Coast Guard.

(c) The oath shall not be rendered invalid by failure to recite a venue or to state the place of execution of the oath, nor is a special form of jurat of affidavit or any authentication thereof required, provided it appears on the instrument that the person taking the oath is a commissioned officer provided for in this section.

History. Rev. Stat., ch. 106, § 1; Acts 1845, § 1, p. 61; C. & M. Dig., § 8074; Pope's Dig., § 10403; Acts 1945, No. 3, § 1; 1977, No. 531, § 1; A.S.A. 1947, § 12-207; Acts 1999, No. 641, § 1.

21-2-102. Commission fee and duplicate oath to be forwarded to Secretary of State.

(a)(1) With the exception of judges elected at the nonpartisan judicial general election without a runoff, all civil and military state and county officers who are required by law to be commissioned by the Governor are required to forward the legal fee for their commissions to the Secretary of State within sixty (60) days after their election.

(2) All judges elected at the nonpartisan judicial general election without a runoff are required to forward the legal fee for their commissions to the Secretary of State within sixty (60) days after the November general election.

(3) Within fifteen (15) days after the commissions have been received, the officers shall forward their duplicate oaths to the Secretary of State to be recorded and filed in his or her office.

(b)(1) In case any officer, elected or appointed and commissioned by the Governor, shall fail or neglect to apply for or procure his or her commission from the office of the Secretary of State within the time specified in subsection (a) or shall, after the commission has been obtained, fail or neglect to forward to the office of Secretary of State his or her duplicate oath for recordation in that office, within the time specified, then the office to which that person was commissioned shall be deemed vacant.

(2) The Governor, on being satisfied from the official records of the office of the Secretary of State, by reason of any of the causes enumerated in this section, shall proceed to fill the vacancy in the manner provided by law.

History. Acts 1875 (Adj. Sess.), No. 21, §§ 1, 2, p. 22; C. & M. Dig., §§ 1430, 1431; Pope's Dig., §§ 1677, 1678; A.S.A. 1947, §§ 12-202, 12-206; Acts 2003, No. 1298, § 1.