

Vermont Oath of Allegiance

(For Justice of the Peace and other local officials)

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will be true and faithful to the State of Vermont, and that I will not, directly or indirectly, do any act or thing injurious to the Constitution or Government thereof. (oath) So help me God. (affirmation) Under pains and penalties of perjury.

Dated at _____, VT this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Signature of Justice of the Peace (or other Local Official)

Town of Residence

*****AND*****

The Oath of Office

(For Justice of the Peace and other local officials)

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the office of _____ (Justice of the Peace or other local office) for the STATE OF VERMONT and will therein do equal right and justice to all persons to the best of my judgment and ability, according to law. (oath) So help me God. (affirmation) Under the pains and penalties of perjury.

Dated at _____, VT this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Signature of Justice of the Peace or other Local Official

Town of Residence

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY BEFORE WHOM OATH IS TAKEN

STATE OF VERMONT)

_____ County, ss.)

I hereby certify that on the _____ day of _____, 20____, _____ personally appeared before me at _____, Vermont and took and subscribed the foregoing oaths or affirmations of office and allegiance.

Signature of Notary Public or person administering oath

Date Commission expires: _____

Reminder to All Justices of the Peace: If you are elected and you are not already serving as a JP, your TERM OF OFFICE does not begin until FEBRUARY 1 of the year following the General Election and runs for two years. YOU CANNOT PERFORM ANY JP DUTIES UNTIL AFTER FEBRUARY 1 (unless you are an incumbent).

NOTE: This oath is from the Vermont Constitution, Chapter II, §56. This oath may be given by, among others, a notary public (including the town clerk or any justice of the peace that has already filed a notary oath with the county clerk). **Failure to file a copy of these oaths with the town clerk will prevent you from qualifying for office and may also subject you to a fine of not more than \$100.00. 4 V.S.A. § 492.**