

AL	Notary	HB 155	Absentee voting, eliminating requirement that affidavit accompanying absentee ballot be witnessed or notarized	02/02/2021 To HOUSE CONSTITUTION, CAMPAIGNS AND ELECTIONS
AL	Notary	HB 163	Motor vehicles, certificates of title, certain notarization requirements waived, collection of commissions, further provided, issuance of new certificates of title	02/02/2021 To HOUSE STATE GOVERNMENT
AL	eSignature	HB 177	Relates to municipalities; amends Sections 8-1A-17 and 8-1A-18, Code of Alabama 1975; allows a municipality to use electronic records and signatures in the conduct of its affairs.	01/28/2021 To HOUSE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT
AZ	eSignature	HB 2315	Relates to school districts; relates to electronic signature filing	01/14/2021 Introduced, read first tie; To HOUSE GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS; RULES
AZ	Notary	HB 2369	The affidavit on the envelope requires that the voter's signature be notarized or that the signature of the person signing the affidavit on behalf of and at the direction of the voter be notarized. ... The county recorder or other officer in charge of elections shall supply printed instructions to early voters that direct them to sign the affidavit IN FRONT OF A NOTARY PUBLIC , mark the ballot and return both in the enclosed self-addressed envelope	01/26/2021 Introduced, read first time; To HOUSE RULES and GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS 01/27/2021 Read second time
AZ	Blockchain	HB 2544	Blockchain and cryptocurrency study committee	
AZ	eSignature	HB 2734	The secretary of state shall provide a system for qualified electors to sign a nomination petition for candidates for city or town office, county office SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE, OFFICE FOR WHICH THE COUNTY ADMINISTERS THE ELECTION and the office of precinct committeeman by way of a secure internet portal. The system shall allow only those qualified electors who are eligible to sign a petition for a particular candidate to sign the petition, shall provide a method for the qualified elector's identity to be properly verified and shall provide for the secretary of state to transmit those filings or a facsimile of those filings to the officer in charge of elections for the appropriate office.	01/27/2021 Introduced
AZ	eSignature	HB 2735	The secretary of state shall provide a system for qualified electors to sign initiative and referendum petitions by way of a secure internet portal. The system shall allow only those qualified electors who are eligible to sign the initiative or referendum petition to do so and shall provide a method for the qualified elector's identity to be properly verified.	01/27/2021 Introduced 02/02/2021 Referred to HOUSE RULES

AZ	RON	SB 1115	Amending sections of ARC relating to notaries public, to adopt the 2018 Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts	01/20/2021 Introduced and read first time; to SENATE COMMERCE, RULES 01/21/2021 In SENATE; read second time 01/27/2021 From SENATE COMMERCE: Do pass. 02/01/2021 From SENATE RULES: Do pass proper for consideration; withdrawn from SENATE consent calendar
AZ	Notary	SB 1264	Technical correction; 41-328. Prohibited conduct; incomplete documents; signatures of relatives; B. A notary public is an impartial witness and shall not notarize the notary's own signature or the signatures of any person who is related to the notary by BLOOD, marriage or adoption.	01/21/2021 Introduced and read first time; to SENATE RULES
AR	RON	HB 1367 SB 14	Regulates the witnessing of certain documents by a notary public under certain circumstances; declares an emergency. Effective on the date of its approval by the governor; If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the governor may veto the bill; or If the bill is vetoed by the governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.	HOUSE BILL: 02/01/2021 Introduced; To HOUSE STATE AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS SENATE BILL: 01/11/2021 Introduced; to SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR
CO	eWills	HB 1004	Colorado Uniform Electronic Wills Act Colorado Commission on Uniform State Laws. The bill enacts the "Colorado Uniform Electronic Wills Act". The bill declares that an electronic will is a will for all purposes of Colorado law. The bill specifies the requirements for: Executing and revoking an electronic will; Simultaneously executing, attesting, and making an electronic will; and Certifying a paper copy of an electronic will.	1/13/2021 Introduced. To HOUSE FINANCE. From HOUSE FINANCE: Reported favorably. In HOUSE. To second reading. In HOUSE. Read second time. To third reading. 01/14/2021 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. *****To SENATE. To SENATE STATE, VETERANS, & MILITARY AFFAIRS. From SENATE STATE, VETERANS, & MILITARY AFFAIRS: Reported favorably. In SENATE. To second reading. In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading. 01/15/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. Signed by HOUSE, SENATE. Sent to GOVERNOR. 01/22/2020 Signed by GOVERNOR
CT	Notary	HB 5021	To eliminate the requirement that a real estate closing be conducted by an attorney who is licensed and in good standing in this state. The bill would repeal section 51-88a of the general statutes, which went into effect Oct. 1, 2019.	01/08/2021 Referred to JOINT JUDICIARY

CT	RON	HB 5374	To codify the provisions of Executive Order 7k, issued by Governor Ned Lamont on March 23, 2020, so as to permit the remote notarization of documents by a notary public or a commissioner of the Superior Court provided there is compliance with certain safeguards.	01/22/2021 Introduced; To JOINT JUDICIARY
CT	RON	HB 5556	That the general statutes be amended to permit the remote notarization of documents by a notary public or a commissioner of the Superior Court using an electronic device or process, provided the notary or commissioner of the Superior Court is able to simultaneously communicate by sight and sound with the person requesting the notarial act.	01/25/2021 Introduced 01/26/2021 To JOINT JUDICIARY
CT	RON	HB 5929	To legislatively enact the provisions of Executive Order 7k, issued by Governor Ned Lamont on March 23, 2020, which permit the remote notarization of documents by a notary public or a commissioner of the Superior Court provided there is compliance with certain safeguards.	01/28/2021 Introduced; To JOINT JUDICIARY
FL	RON	HB 121	Relates to notaries public; authorizes employer of notary public to require use of particular technology and provider in performing a notarial act with respect to electronic record; clarifies application of online electronic witnessing standards when witness is not in physical presence of principal; requires remote online notarization service provider to maintain audio-video communication recordings of online notarizations.	HOUSE BILL: 12/23/2020 Introduced 01/20/2021 Referred to HOUSE JUDICIARY
		SB 228	Relates to Notaries Public; authorizes employer of a notary public to require use of a particular technology and provider in performing a notarial act with respect to an electronic record; modifies requirements for entries in the electronic journal maintained by an online notary public; clarifies that an online notary public is entitled to select his or her remote online notarization service provider; clarifies limitations on fees charged for online notarizations.	SENATE BILL: 12/08/2020 PREFILED. 12/15/2020 To SENATE COMMERCE AND TOURISM; JUDICIARY; RULES 01/15/2021 In SENATE. On Committee agenda 01/25/21. 01/25/2021 From SENATE COMMERCE AND TOURISM, reported favorably with substitute 01/26/2021 In SENATE. Pending reference review under Rule 4.7(2). 01/28/2021 To SENATE JUDICIARY.

FL	eSignature	HB 139	Relates to electronic transactions for title certificates and registrations; authorizes tax collectors to accept applications for motor vehicle and vessel certificates of title by electronic or telephonic means, to collect electronic mail addresses for use as method of notification, and to contract with vendors to provide electronic and telephonic transactions; provides that electronic signature that meets certain requirements satisfies signature required for application for certificate of title.	12/29/2020 Pre-filed
FL	Notary	HB 473 SB 622	Construction liens and bonds; revises process for notarizing forms	01/26/2021 Filed
FL	RON	SB 848	Relates to electronic legal documents; revises the definition of the term online notarization; clarifies that supervising the witnessing of an electronic record by an online notary public is a notarial act; revises the statutory form for an affidavit for acceptance of and reliance upon a power of attorney to reflect means of notarization; revises the form for a petition of summary relief for the sale or transfer of certain property owned by an absentee to reflect means of notarization.	01/27/2021 Pre-filed
FL	RON	HB 483	Relates to electronic legal documents; clarifies that supervising witnessing of electronic record by online notary public is notarial act; specifies applicability of online notarization procedures to supervision of witnessing of electronic record; modifies witnessing procedures; revises statutory forms for affidavit for acceptance of and reliance upon power of attorney, for notice of election relating to descent of homestead property, for self-proof of will or codicil, for disposition of certain assets.	01/27/2021 Pre-filed
HI	Blockchain	HB 622	The purpose of this Act is to require the Hawaii technology development corporation to establish a blockchain working group to recommend a definition for blockchain technology and make recommendations for individuals, businesses, and state agencies to use blockchain technology.	01/25/2021 In HOUSE; passed first reading

IL	eWills	SB 72	Creates the Electronic Wills and Remote Witnesses Act; provides that an electronic will shall be executed by the testator or by some person in the testator's presence and at the testator's direction, and attested to in the testator's presence by 2 or more credible witnesses; provides for the revocation of an electronic will; provides that an electronic will is a digital asset and any person or business in possession of an electronic will is a custodian; provides for certified copies.	01/29/2021 First reading; to SENATE ASSIGNMENTS
IL	RON	SB 97	Amends the Notary Public Act; provides requirements concerning electronic notarization and electronic notaries public; amends the Uniform Real Property Electronic Recording Act; provides that a paper or tangible copy of an electronic document that a notary public has certified to be a true and correct copy satisfies specified recording requirements; provides further requirements concerning the certification of electronic documents by notaries public; defines terms; makes conforming changes.	02/03/2021 Introduced; to SENATE ASSIGNMENTS
IN	RON	HB 1056	Amends the requirements for instruments and conveyances to be recorded. Adds instances in which an instrument is considered validly recorded for purposes of providing constructive notice. Defines certain terms. Effective: Upon passage.	01/04/2021 Introduced and referred to JUDICIARY. 01/07/2021 From HOUSE JUDICIARY: Do pass as amended. Committee amendment adopted on HOUSE floor.
IN	RON	HB 1149	Recording requirements. Amends the acknowledgment and proof requirements for a conveyance, mortgage, or instrument of writing to be recorded. Provides that actions taken after June 30, 2020, regarding acknowledgment and proof for conveyances, mortgages, and instruments of writing to be recorded are legalized and validated to the extent provided for in this act.	01/07/2021 In HOUSE; first reading; referred to JUDICIARY
IN	RON	HB 1237 SB 204	Adds definitions of "notarial officer", "observe", "present", and "telephonic interaction" to allow a mentally competent declarant to sign an advance directive by using technology to interact in real time with a notarial officer or with two attesting witnesses. Provides for remote witnessing or signing of separate paper counterparts that are assembled later into a complete composite paper advance directive.	HOUSE BILL: 01/08/2021 Introduced To HOUSE PUBLIC HEALTH

IN	RON	HB 1255	Provides that an electronically signed and notarized electronic power of attorney is valid if the electronic power of attorney complies with certain specified requirements. Specifies certain requirements for attesting witnesses involved in the execution of a power of attorney or an electronic power of attorney. Allows a self-proving clause to be incorporated into or affixed to a power of attorney. Specifies that certain photographic, video, and audio evidence may be used as evidence with respect to the execution of an electronic power of attorney. Provides that certain persons are ineligible to sign certain trust instruments. Requires certain transfer on death conveyances to occur in the presence of a disinterested witness. Repeals certain provisions concerning mortgages, conveyances, and other written instruments that are executed in a foreign country. Repeals certain provisions concerning the affixing of a private seal or ink scroll on certain conveyances involving land or interests in land. Specifies certain requirements concerning land conveyances performed by attorneys in fact. Requires certain notarial acts to accompany the recording of certain conveyances.	01/08/2021 Introduced; to HOUSE JUDICIARY 01/26/2021 Committee report adopted; reported do pass with amendment; amendment adopted on HOUSE floor
IN	eSignature	HB 1578	Electronic mortgage documents. Amends the acknowledgment and proof requirements for a conveyance, a mortgage, or an instrument of writing to be recorded. A required acknowledgment may be performed by a remote notary public. (4) The mortgage may be recorded electronically. Any required signatures may be electronic signatures. Any required acknowledgment may be performed by a remote notary public.	01/13/2021 Introduced. To HOUSE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND INSURANCE.
IN	eSignature	SB 369	Relates to electronic meetings and signatures; allows a governing body of a political subdivision to allow its members to participate in a meeting of the governing body by any means of electronic communication if the public agency adopts a written policy establishing the procedures for electronic participation, and the means of communication permits simultaneous communication between the members and allows the public to attend and observe the meeting; ...	01/12/2021 Introduced. To SENATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
KS	RON	SB 106	Enacting the revised uniform law on notarial acts and repealing the uniform law on notarial acts.	01/28/2021 Introduced 01/29/2021 To SENATE JUDICIARY 02/02/2021 SENATE Hearing on 02/09/2021 10:30 AM Room 346-S

KY	eSignature	HB 113	Permit the Teachers' Retirement System to use and accept electronic signatures as deemed appropriate	1/05/2021 Introduced; Filed as Bill Request Number: 15; To HOUSE COMMITTEES. 01/13/2021 To HOUSE STATE GOVERNMENT. 02/02/2021 Posted in committee.
KY	RON	HB 197	AN ACT relating to notarization of official documents. Defines in-person electronic notarization and remote electronic notarization.	01/07/2021 Introduced. Filed as Bill Request Number: 1144. To HOUSE COMMITTEES.
ME	RON	LR 1344	Legislative Reference bill, concerns the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts	12/31/2020 Filed
ME	RON	LR 1472	Legislative Reference bill, allows remote notarization of documents in limited circumstances while preventing exploitation	12/31/2020 Filed
ME	RON	LR 1710	Legislative Reference bill, provides for remote online notarization	12/31/2020 Filed
MD	Notary	HB 203	Providing that a will may be made self-proved in a certain manner; establishing certain requirements for a self-proving will; requiring a certain self-proving will to be acknowledged by the testator before a notary public; requiring a certain self-proving affidavit to be attached or annexed to a self-proving will; altering the requirements of an advance medical directive; requiring a declarant to acknowledge a certain advance medical directive before a notary public;	01/13/2021 To HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS First Reading
MD	eSignature	HB 355	Relates to registered voter list security and electronic signature requirements for petitions	12/22/2020 Prefiled; to HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS
MD	Notary	SB 132	FOR the purpose of providing that a custodian of a public record is required to disclose the home address or home telephone number of a notary public only if the custodian has not been provided with the business address or business telephone number of the notary public; and generally relating to the required disclosures of public records about notaries public.	12/22/2020 PREFILED. To SENATE JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS. 01/13/2021 Introduced. First reading. To SENATE JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS. 01/26/2021 Reported favorable; committee report adopted; passed second reading, to third reading 01/29/2021 Passed SENATE; to HOUSE 02/02/2021 To HOUSE HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

MD	Notary	SB 212	FOR the purpose of requiring certain county residence or qualification information of a notary public to be printed on a certain notary stamp; repealing the requirement that certain jurisdiction information be printed on a certain notary stamp; and generally relating to the official stamp of notaries public.	12/22/2020 PREFILED. To SENATE JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS. 01/13/2021 Introduced. First reading. To SENATE JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS. 01/26/2021 Reported favorable; committee report adopted; passed second reading, to third reading 01/29/2021 Passed SENATE; to HOUSE 02/02/2021 To HOUSE HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPEATIONS
MD	RON	SB 360	Relates to Notary Public Fund and Remote Notarial Acts.	01/15/2021 Introduced; To SENATE JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS
MD	eWills	SB 519	Provides that a will may be made self-proved in a certain manner; establishes certain requirements for a self-proving will; requires a certain self-proving will to be acknowledged by the testator before a notary public; requires a certain self-proving affidavit to be attached or annexed to a self-proving will; alters the requirements of an advance medical directive; requires a declarant to acknowledge a certain advance medical directive before a notary public.	01/22/2021 Introduced; To SENATE JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS 01/27/2021 Hearing scheduled 2/16
MA	eSignature	HD 409	Authorizes electronic signatures for electronic applications for criminal complaint	01/21/2021 Filed
MA	eSignature	HD 413 SD 558	Authorizes electronic signatures on search warrant applications	HOUSE: 01/21/2021 Filed SENATE: 02/02/2021 Filed

MI	eNotary	SB 1188	<p>A bill to amend 2010 PA 123, entitled "Uniform real property electronic recording act," by amending section 5a (MCL 565.845a), as added by 2020 PA 248.</p> <p>This section applies after April 29, 2020 and before January 1, 2021. <u>JULY 1, 2021.</u></p> <p>Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless all of the following bills of the 100th Legislature are enacted into law:</p> <p>(a) Senate Bill No. 1186. 12/29/2020 Public Act No. 335 (b) Senate Bill No. 1187. 12/29/2020; Public Act No. 336 Allows for a notary to utilize two-way real-time audiovisual technology for notarial acts in certain circumstances. © Senate Bill No. 1189. 12/29/2020; Public Act No. 338</p>	<p>10/08/2020 Introduced. To SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.</p> <p>12/03/2020 In SENATE. To second reading. Read second time and substituted. (S-1) To third reading. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To HOUSE.</p> <p>12/30/2020 Public Act No. 377 with immediate effect</p>
MN	Notary	HB 575	<p>A bill for an act relating to marriage; authorizing notary publics to perform civil marriages; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 357.17; 359.04; 517.04; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 359.</p>	<p>02/01/2021 Introduced; To HOUSE JUDICIARY FINANCE AND CIVIL LAW DIVISION</p>
MS	Notary	HB 658	<p>To provide that a student enrolled at a college, university or community or junior college shall not be required to have his or her absentee ballot envelope notarized or signed by an official authorized to administer oaths for absentee balloting;</p>	<p>01/18/2021 Introduced; To HOUSE APPORTIONMENT AND ELECTIONS</p> <p>02/02/2021 Died in committee</p>
MS	eSignature	SB 2022	<p>Requires each justice court in this state to accept all pleadings and other papers to be served, filed, signed or verified by electronic means in conformity with the Mississippi electronic court system procedures; provides that a party's participation in electronic filing in justice court shall be voluntary.</p>	<p>01/05/2021 Introduced; To SENATE JUDICIARY, DIVISION A.</p> <p>02/01/2021 Fro SENATE JUDICIARY, DIVISION A: do pass</p>
MS	eSignature	SB 2578	<p>An act to authorize the use of electronic signatures for warrant applications and for related purposes</p>	<p>01/18/2021 Introduced; To SENATE JUDICIARY DIVISION B</p> <p>01/27/2021 From SENATE JUDICIARY, DIVISION B: Recommended as substituted. Title Deemed Sufficient by SENATE Committee: Do Pass Recommended Substitute.</p> <p>02/03/2021 Committee substitute adopted on SENATE floor; passed SENATE, to HOUSE</p>

MO	Notary	HB 133	Modifies provisions relating to the content contained in a notary public's journal. For every notarial act, <u>except a notarial act connected to a judicial proceeding or a notarial act that by law is deemed to be a public record and the public record is publicly filed within ninety days of execution</u> , the notary shall record in the journal at the time of notarization the following	12/01/2020 PREFILED. 01/06/2021 Introduced.
MO	RON	HB 1013	To amend chapter 486, RSMo, by adding thereto fourteen new sections relating to electronic certification of documents, with a penalty provision and a delayed effective date. Establishes procedures for remote notaries public	02/02/2021 Introduced
MO	eSignature	HB 265	Specifies that the Secretary of State will create a website and allow citizens of Missouri to electronically sign ballot measures that are approved for circulation.	12/01/2020 Pre-filed 01/06/2021 Introduced
NE	RON	LB 94	Prohibit the invalidation of certain notarial acts performed online under the governor's executive order.	01/07/2021 Introduced 01/11/2021 To LEGISLATIVE GOVERNMENT, MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
NV	eSignature	AB 8	Authorizes the Gaming Commission to adopt regulations governing the use of electronic signatures for credit instruments.	02/01/2021 Introduced; To ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY; Filed as Bill Draft Request No. 278.
NH	RON	HB 287 LSR 417	Establishes procedures and requirements for remote notarization, includes a requirement to mail a copy of the signed document to the notary for certification	01/09/2021 Introduced; To HOUSE JUDICIARY. 01/11/2021 Filed as LSR 417. 01/27/2021 Public Hearing: 02/02/2021
NH	RON	SB 134 LSR 498	Relates to the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts and the Uniform Real Property Electronic Recording Act	01/06/2021 Introduced; to SENATE JUDICIARY

NJ	RON	SB 2508 AB 4250	Revises law concerning notaries and notarial acts; authorizes electronic signatures.	<p>SENATE BILL:</p> <p>06/04/2020 Introduced, to SENATE JUDICIARY</p> <p>12/14/2020 From SENATE JUDICIARY with amendments; to second reading; referred to SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS</p> <p>ASSEMBLY BILL:</p> <p>06/11/2020 Introduced, to ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY</p> <p>07/30/2020 Passed by ASSEMBLY; to SENATE</p> <p>12/14/2020 From SENATE JUDICIARY with amendments; to second reading; to SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS</p>
NJ	Notary	AB 4521	Prohibits MVC from requiring power of attorney for certain documents concerning motor vehicle certificates of ownership and salvage certificates of title.	01/25/2021 From ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES with amendments; to second reading
NJ	RON	SB 3082	Allows remote notarial acts using communication technology.	<p>10/22/2020 FILED</p> <p>10/29/2020 Introduced. To SENATE JUDICIARY.</p>
NJ	eSignature	AB 5033 SB 3279	Authorizes motor vehicle dealers to sell motor vehicles online and obtain electronic signatures for motor vehicle transactions.	<p>ASSEMBLY BILL:</p> <p>11/16/2020 Filed</p> <p>11/19/2020 Introduced; to ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES</p> <p>12/10/2020 From ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES</p> <p>01/11/2021 Passed ASSEMBLY. *****To SENATE.</p> <p>01/12/2021 To SENATE TRANSPORTATION.</p> <p>SENATE BILL:</p> <p>12/10/2020 Filed</p> <p>12/14/2020 To SENATE TRANSPORTATION</p>

NM	RON	SB 12	Relates to Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts	02/01/2021 Introduced; To SENATE JUDICIARY and SENATE TAXATION BUSINESS AND TRANSPORTATION
NY	Notary	AB 366	Removes the requirement of a sworn statement administered by a notary public for purposes of petitions.	12/29/2020 PREFILED. To ASSEMBLY ELECTION LAW.
NY	eSignature	AB 2679	Directs the commissioner of housing and community renewal to promulgate rules and regulations regarding the use of electronic records and signatures for residential leases and lease renewals of units for which the owner is required to file annual registration statements.	01/19/2021 Introduced. To ASSEMBLY HOUSING
NY	RON	AB 3008 SB 2508	To amend the executive law, in relation to authorizing remote notarization (Part P, Section 142-B Remote Notarization)	ASSEMBLY BILL: 01/20/2021 Introduced; To ASSEMBLY WAYS AND MEANS SENATE BILL: 01/20/2021 Introduced; To SENATE FINANCE
NY	Blockchain	AB 3760	Relates to allowing signatures, records and contracts secured through blockchain technology to be considered in an electronic form and to be an electronic record and signature; allows smart contracts to exist in commerce.	01/28/2021 To ASSEMBLY GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS
NY	Blockchain	AB 3813	Relates to the development and creation of distributed ledger technology, which is a mathematically secured, chronological, and decentralized consensus ledger or database, whether maintained via internet interaction, peer-to-peer network, or otherwise used to authenticate, record, share and synchronize transactions in their respective electronic ledgers or databases, and business entities that develop distributed ledger technology.	01/28/2021 To ASSEMBLY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
NY	Notary	AB 4277 SB 4292	Requires notaries public and commissioners of deeds to complete and retain certain documents relating to the transfer of residential real property	ASSEMBLY BILL: 02/01/2021 Introduced; To ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY SENATE BILL: 02/03/2021 Introduced; To SENATE FINANCE
NY	Blockchain	AB 4332	AN ACT directing the study of the use of blockchain technology to protect voter records and election results	02/01/2021 Introduced
NY	RON	AB 4673	Authorize any notarial act permitted by law to be performed remotely using audio-video technology if certain specified conditions are met.	02/04/2021 Introduced; To ASSEMBLY GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

NY	eSignature	SB 61	An Act to amend the penal law, in relation to impersonating another by using another's electronic signature	01/06/2021 Introduced; to SENATE CODES
NY	Notary	SB 449	Relates to increasing the fees certain notaries public shall be entitled to	12/31/2020 Pre-filed 01/06/2021 To SENATE FINANCE
NY	RON	SB 558	Provides for the remote conduct of certain practices and procedures including meetings and notarizations utilizing electronic or audio visual technologies.	01/04/2021 Pre-filed 01/06/2021 Introduced; To SENATE BANKS
NY	RON	SB 1780 AB 399	Amends the Executive Law; relates to providing for electronic notarization; authorizes the use of video and audio conference technology in identifying individuals for electronic notarization.	SENATE BILL: 01/15/2021 Introduced; To SENATE FINANCE ASSEMBLY BILL: 12/29/2020 Pre-filed; to ASSEMBLY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS 01/06/2021 Introduced. To ASSEMBLY GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS.
NY	Blockchain	SB 1800	Relates to the development and creation of distributed ledger technology, which is a mathematically secured, chronological, and decentralized consensus ledger or database, whether maintained via internet interaction, peer-to-peer network, or otherwise used to authenticate, record, share and synchronize transactions in their respective electronic ledgers or databases, and business entities that develop distributed ledger technology.	01/15/2021 Introduced; To SENATE INTERNET AND TECHNOLOGY.
NY	Blockchain	SB 1801	Amends the State Technology Law; relates to allowing signatures, records and contracts secured through blockchain technology to be considered in an electronic form and to be an electronic record and signature; allows smart contracts to exist in commerce.	01/15/2021 Introduced. To SENATE INTERNET AND TECHNOLOGY 02/01/2021 From SENATE INTERNET AND TECHNOLOGY
NY	eSignature	SB 3003	Creates a private right of action for the breach of a consumer's identifying information such as their social security number, driver's license number, bank account number, credit or debit card number, personal identification number, automated or electronic signature, unique biometric data, account passwords or other information that can be used to access an individual's financial accounts or to obtain goods and services.	01/27/2021 Introduced

NY	Notary	SB 3018	Relates to establishing additional requirements to purchase a firearm; providing notarized proof of a passed drug test and mental health evaluation	01/27/2021 To SENATE CODES
NY	Notary	SB 3419	Requires all banks and credit unions to have a notary public available during business hours; permits banks to charge a fee	01/29/2021 Introduced; to SENATE BANKS
NC	Notary	HB 28	Clarifies the meaning of reside legally as used in the notary public statutes.	01/28/2021 Filed 02/01/2021 To HOUSE COMMERCE
ND	eWills	HB 1077	Create and enact chapter 30.1-37 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the Uniform Electronic Wills Act; and to provide for application.	01/05/2020 Introduced
ND	RON	HB 1439	Relates to remote notarial acts for clients of certain nonprofit organizations; relates to an exemption for certain remote notarial acts; provides a penalty.	01/18/2021 Introduced, first reading. To HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS. 01/25/2021 Withdrawn from HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS; to HOUSE JUDICIARY
OH	eWills	HB 692	Expands the laws on wills, declarations or living wills, durable Powers of Attorney for health care, and transfer on death designation affidavits by providing for their execution electronically.	06/08/2020 Introduced; to HOUSE RULES AND REFERENCE
OH	eNotary	HB 797	To require counties to provide an electronic means of recording instruments and of accessing recorded instruments, to allow county recorders to charge a document preservation surcharge, to increase the recording fee for living wills, health care powers of attorney, and instruments related to personal property, and to make an appropriation.	11/24/2020 Introduced 12/1/2020 Referred to STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
OK	Notary	HB 1218 HB 1219 HB 1220 HB 1221 HB 1222	SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows: This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Notary Public Acknowledgment and Authentication Act". SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.	02/01/2021 Introduced 02/02/2021; To HOUSE RULES.

OK	Notary	HB 2704	All state educational institutions within the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall make at least one full-time staff member available to notarize ballots during designated absentee voting periods. The employee must be available during normal business hours and their availability to notarize ballots shall be widely advertised to the campus community no less than ten (10) days before the absentee voting period. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.	02/01/2021 Introduced 02/02/2021 To HOUSE ELECTIONS AND ETHICS
OK	eSignature	SB 228	Relates to business entities; relates to the Oklahoma General Corporation Act; authorizes electronic transmission of certain notice; clarifies procedures for certain consent effective on future date; establishes procedures for certain document form, signature and delivery; authorizes certain electronic transactions; provides exceptions; clarifies applicability of provisions; relate to the Oklahoma General Corporation Act; authorizes electronic transmission of certain notice.	02/01/2021 Introduced 02/02/2021 To SENATE JUDICIARY
OK	Notary	SB 480	A felony conviction shall NOT be grounds for disqualifying a person for an appointment or for removal of a person from the office of notary public unless the conviction was for a felony crime that substantially relates to the provision of notarial services; defines term; provides an effective date.	02/01/2021 Introduced 02/02/2021 To SENATE JUDICIARY
OK	eSignature	SB 492	State government; authorizing use of electronic signatures by Corporation Commission in certain circumstances.	02/01/2021 Introduced, first reading 02/02/2021 To SENATE ENERGY
OK	RON	SB 916	An Act relating to notarial acts; 49 O.S. 2011, Section 113, which relates to notarial procedures; authorizing certification or attestation of documents through electronic means under certain circumstances; a notarial officer may certify or attest documents remotely through use of electronic means if the notarial officer satisfies all requirements of this section. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.	02/01/2021 Introduced 02/02/2021 To SENATE JUDICIARY
OK	Notary	SB 971	Relates to liens; relate to liens on personal property; modifies requirements for resubmission of certain title applications for perfection of certain special lien; terminates requirements for notarization of certain documents; provides an effective date.	02/01/2021 Introduced 02/02/2021 To SENATE JUDICIARY
OK	eSignature	SB 998	Requires the Oklahoma Tax Commission to implement a program for electronic certificates of title and associated liens; requires designation of a vendor; to promulgate rules; requires certain program procedures; adds definitions; requires certain electronic documents and signatures be considered valid	01/22/2021 Pre-filed

OR	RON	SB 220	Prescribes formalities for remote attestation of writing. Prescribes formalities for remote attestation of writing. Declares emergency, effective on passage.	01/19/2021 Referred to JUDICIARY and BALLOT MEASURE 110 IMPLEMENTATION
PA	Notary	HB 279	Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for application for driver's license or learner's permit, for issuance and content of driver's license and for expiration and renewal of drivers' licenses. privacy and confidentiality for standard-issued driver's licenses and photo identification cards.	01/27/2021 Introduced
PA	Notary	HB 306	Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, further providing for registration and certificate of title required; in licensing of drivers, further providing for carrying and exhibiting driver's license on demand; and, in inspection of vehicles, further providing for operation of vehicle without official certificate of inspection. This act may be referred to as the Forgetful Driver Forgiveness Act.	01/27/2021 Introduced
SC	Blockchain	HB 3495	To enact the "South Carolina Blockchain Industry Empowerment Act of 2021, in order to establish the state as an incubator for tech industries seeking to develop innovation by using blockchain technology	12/16/2020 Pre-filed
SD	RON	SB 193	An Act to revise certain provisions regarding remote notarization. Cclarify the meaning of "personal knowledge" and "video communication technology," as well as provide a new certificate of acknowledgement for use with video communication technology	02/03/2021 Introduced; To SENATE JUDICIARY
TN	eSignature	HB 129 SB 147	As introduced, allows the use of electronic signatures for a written request by members of the general assembly to convene for extraordinary session in accordance with the Constitution of Tennessee, Article II, § 8. - Amends TCA Title 3, Chapter 1.	HOUSE BILL: 01/12/2021 Introduced 01/14/2021 To HOUSE STATE GOVERNMENT. 02/01/2021 In HOUSE STATE GOVERNMENT: Referred to Subcommittee on PUBLIC SERVICE. SENATE BILL: 01/15/2021 Introduced; In SENATE, passed on first consideration

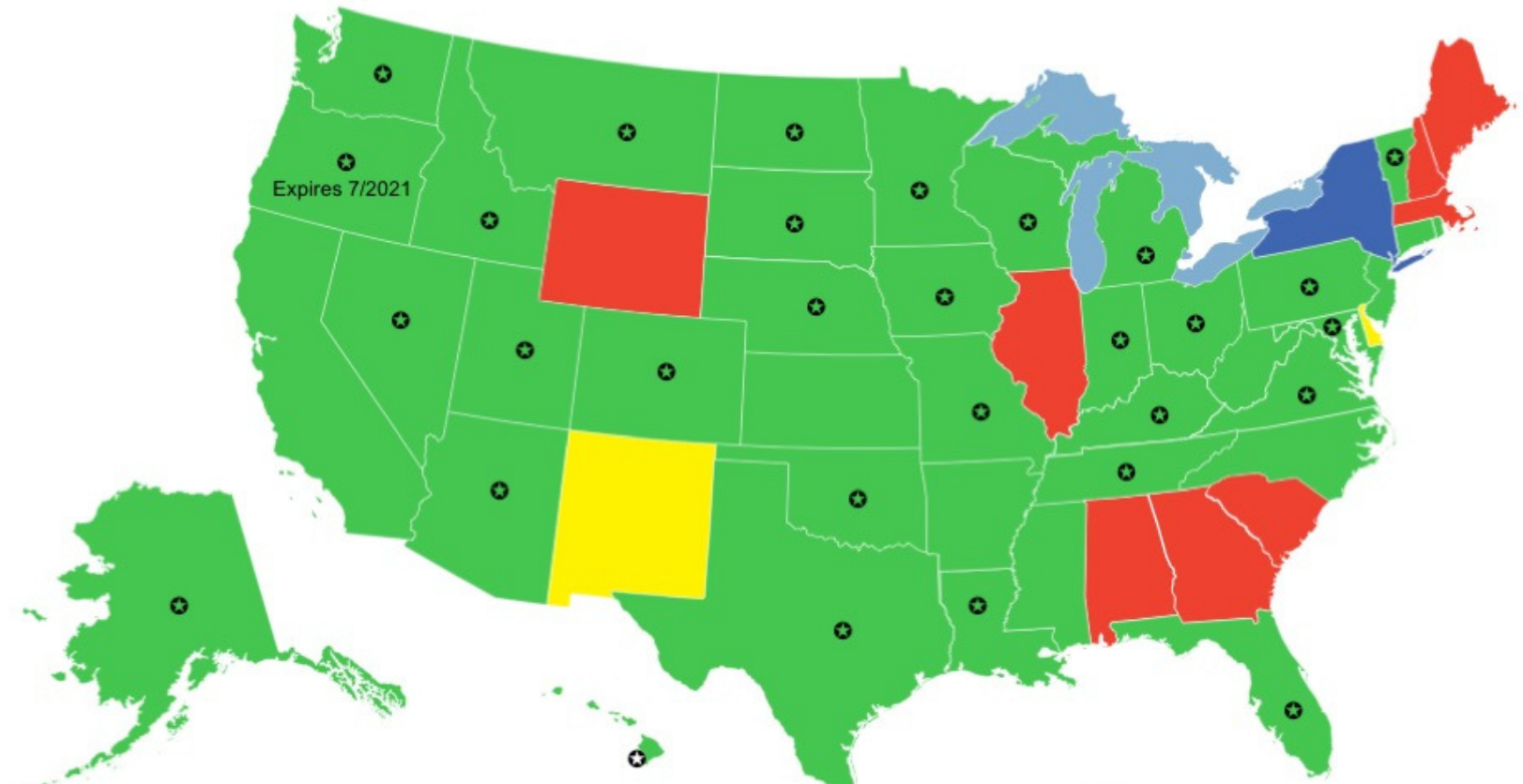
TX	Notary	HB 948	In addition to the seal required under Section 406.013, a notary public shall provide a seal of office to authenticate an official act Involving an instrument that conveys real property or an interest in real property; and will be provided to a county clerk for recording. The seal provided by a notary under this section must leave a physical indentation when affixed to paper. The secretary of state shall prescribe the design for the seal required by this section. The notary must affix the seal over the notary public 's signature on the certification; and affix the seal on each page of the instrument or copy of the instrument provided to the county clerk.	01/04/2021 Filed
TX	Blockchain	SB 344	Relates to the use of electronic signatures that employ blockchain or distributed ledger technology in certain business or governmental transactions.	01/14/2021 Introduced
UT	RON	HB 250	Makes technical change to satisfactory evidence of identity, Notaries Public Reform Act Section 46-1-2; Driver License Revisions; prohibits use of driver privilege card as satisfactory evidence of identity for notarial acts	01/27/2021 In HOUSE first reading
UT	Notary	HB 276	Expands eligibility for individuals to qualify for a notarial commission to individuals who are employed in the state; and amends resignation requirements to account for the eligibility expansion.	01/29/2021 Introduced 02/01/2021 To HOUSE RULES
UT	eSignature	SB 83	Requires the Department of Health to designate a uniform life with dignity order that is developed by a nationally recognized entity; authorizes the Department of Health to designate an electronic registry system for life with dignity orders by rule; applies the provisions of the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act to signatures that are required on a life with dignity order.	01/19/2021 Introduced. To SENATE RULES. 01/22/2021 From SENATE RULES. To SENATE Standing Committee. To SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. 01/25/2021 Held by committee. 01/29/2021 From SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: Reported favorably as substituted. Placed on 2nd Reading calendar. 02/02/2021 Passed 2nd Reading 02/03/2021 Placed on 3rd Reading; Passed SENATE, to HOUSE

<p>VA</p>	<p>eWills</p>	<p>HB 1856 SB 1435</p>	<p>Relates to electronic execution of estate planning documents; relates to Uniform Electronic wills Act; permits trusts, advance medical directives, and refusals to make anatomical gifts to be signed and notarized, as appropriate, by electronic means; codifies the Uniform Electronic wills Act, which permits a testator to execute a will by electronic means; provides that the Act requires that the will be signed by two witnesses who are in the physical or electronic presence of the testator and acknowledged.</p>	<p>HOUSE BILL: 01/13/2021 Introduced; To HOUSE COURTS OF JUSTICE 01/29/2021 From HOUSE COURTS OF JUSTICE: Reported with substitute. Committee substitute printed. 02/02/2021 Committee substitute adopted on HOUSE floor; engrossed by HOUSE as substituted 02/03/2021 Passed HOUSE; To SENATE JUDICIARY. SENATE BILL: 01/15/2021 Introduced; To SENATE JUDICIARY 02/03/2021 In SENATE JUDICIARY; passed by indefinitely</p>
<p>VA</p>	<p>RON</p>	<p>HB 2064</p>	<p>Relates to recording an electronic document; relates to electronic notarial certificate; relates to emergency; requires a clerk's office to record a paper copy of an electronic document, provided that such copy otherwise meets the requirements for recordation and is certified to be a true and correct copy of the electronic original by the party who submits the document for recordation; requires an electronic notarial certificate to include the county or city in the Commonwealth</p>	<p>01/12/2021 Pre-filed 01/13/2021 TO HOUSE COURTS OF JUSTICE 01/29/2021 From HOUSE COURTS OF JUSTICE: Reported with substitute. Committee substitute printed. 02/02/2021 Committee substitute adopted on HOUSE floor; engrossed by HOUSE as substituted 02/03/2021 Passed HOUSE, to SENATE; reconsidered; passed HOUSE, to SENATE</p>

WI	eWills	AB 1	<p>Relates to state government actions to address the COVID-19 pandemic, extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, and granting rule-making authority.</p> <p>The bill allows a notary public, through the end of calendar year 2021, to perform notarizations involving estate planning documents for individuals not physically present before the notary public.</p> <p>Current law generally requires a person to physically appear before a notary public in order for the notary public to perform a notarial act, but provisions in 2019 Wisconsin Act 125 allow a notary public, using technology, to notarize documents for persons not physically present with the notary public (remotely located individuals) if certain requirements are satisfied. This authority under Act 125 for a notary public to perform a notarial act for a remotely located individual does not extend to a transaction involving estate planning documents such as wills and trusts.</p> <p>The bill allows a notary public, through the end of calendar year 2021, to perform for a remotely located individual a notarial act involving estate planning documents such as wills and trusts.</p>	<p>01/04/2021 Introduced. To ASSEMBLY HEALTH.</p> <p>01/05/2021 Public Hearing held. From ASSEMBLY HEALTH: Recommended passage. To ASSEMBLY RULES. From ASSEMBLY RULES: Placed on calendar.</p> <p>01/06/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Substitute Amendment No. 1 offered.</p> <p>01/07/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time. In ASSEMBLY. Substitute Amendment No. 1 laid on table. In ASSEMBLY. Amendment No. 1 offered. In ASSEMBLY. Amendment No. 1 adopted. In ASSEMBLY. Ordered to a third reading. In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY. *****To SENATE.</p> <p>01/08/2021 To SENATE FINANCE.</p> <p>01/11/2021 Withdrawn from SENATE FINANCE. To SENATE SENATE ORGANIZATION. In SENATE. Substitute Amendment No. 1 offered. Public Hearing held. In SENATE. Committee Amendment No. 1 adopted on SENATE floor. Available for Scheduling. In SENATE. Placed on Calendar.</p> <p>01/12/2021 In SENATE. Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Substitute Amendment No. 1 offered. In SENATE. Substitute Amendment No. 2 offered. In SENATE. Read second time. Senate Substitute Amendment No. 2 rejected. In SENATE. Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Substitute Amendment No. 2 offered. In SENATE. Amendment No. 1 to Substitute Amendment No. 1 withdrawn. In SENATE. Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Substitute Amendment No. 2 Adopted. In SENATE. Read second time and committee substitute No. 1 adopted. To third reading. In SENATE. Ordered to third reading. In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY for concurrence. ASSEMBLY concurred in SENATE Amendment No. 2.</p>
WI	eWills / RON	AB 31	<p>Allows a notary public, through the end of calendar year 2021, to perform notarizations involving estate planning documents for individuals not physically present before the notary public....</p>	<p>02/03/2021 Introduced; To ASSEMBLY HEALTH</p>
WY	Blockchain	D 27	<p>Relates to the secretary of state; requires the secretary of state to develop and implement a blockchain or other distributed ledger filing system; provides requirements for the filing system; provides definitions; authorizes the promulgation of rules; repeals the previous enabling legislation; provides an appropriation; provides for an effective date.</p>	<p>08/19/2020 FILED</p> <p>09/16/2020 Second Draft Filed</p> <p>10/27/2020 Third Draft Filed</p> <p>12/08/2020 Fourth Draft Filed</p>

<p>WY</p>	<p>RON</p>	<p>SB 29</p>	<p>Relates to notaries, notarial officers and notarial acts; creates the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts; repeals the Uniform Law on Notarial Acts; amends and repeals laws on notaries public; allows for remote online notarization and remote ink notarization; makes conforming amendments; requires rulemaking; provides for effective dates.</p>	<p>01/12/2021 Introduced. To SENATE CORPORATIONS, ELECTIONS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.</p> <p>01/27/2021 From SENATE CORPORATIONS, ELECTIONS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS: Do pass with amendment. Committee amendment adopted on SENATE floor.</p> <p>01/28/2021 In SENATE. Passed Second Reading.</p> <p>01/29/2021 Passed SENATE. *****To HOUSE. To HOUSE CORPORATIONS, ELECTIONS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.</p> <p>02/02/2021 From HOUSE CORPORATIONS, ELECTIONS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS: Do pass.</p> <p>02/04/2021 Passed HOUSE; To GOVERNOR</p>
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REMOTE ONLINE NOTARIZATION (RON) STATES

State	RON Bill	Signed	Statutory Reference	Effective	RON Regulations	Effective
1. AK	House 124	4/29/2020	Alaska Statutes 44.50	1/1/2021	Lt Gov may adopt regulations	Not before 1/1/2021
2. AZ	Senate 1030	4/10/2019	Ariz. Rev. Stat. Title 41 Ch. 2	7/1/2020	Ariz. Adm. Code Title 2, Ch. 12, Art. 13	Proposed rulemaking
3. CO	Senate 96	6/26/2020	Col. Rev. Stat. 24-21-500; 10-11-122	12/31/2020	Secretary of state may adopt regulations	_____
4. FL	House 409	6/7/2019	Fla. Stat. §117.01, et seq.	1/1/2020	Fla. Adm. Code Dept. of State, Div. 1N, 1N-7	1/1/2020
5. HI	Senate 2275	9/15/2020	Hawaii Rev. Stat. Chapter 456	1/1/2021	Attorney General may adopt rules	_____
6. ID	Senate 1111	3/21/2019	Idaho Code Title 51 §§51-101-133	1/1/2020	Regulations not published yet	1/1/2020
7. IN	Senate 372	3/13/2018	Ind. Code Ann. § 33-42-0.5-1, et seq.	7/1/2020	In process of drafting regulations	_____
8. IA	Senate 475	4/29/2019	Iowa Code, Section 9B.1	7/1/2020	In process of drafting regulations	_____
9. KY	Senate 114	3/25/2019	Ky. Rev. Stat. Chapter 423	1/1/2020	In process of drafting regulations	_____
10. LA	House 274	6/11/2020	La. Rev. Stat. Title 35, Ch 10 §§621-630	8/1/2020 (SECURE Act) otherwise 2/1/2022	In process of drafting policies and procedures	_____
11. MD	Senate 678	5/13/2019	Ann. Code Md. §§18-201 – 18-227	10/01/2021	“SOS may adopt regulations to implement law”	_____
12. MI	House 5811 rev. Senate 664 HB 6297	6/28/2018 12/12/2018 11/5/2020	Mich. Comp. Laws § 55.261.et seq.	9/30/2018 3/12/2019 11/5/2020	State of Michigan General Information Guide In process of drafting regulations	5/2019
13. MN	Senate 893	5/20/2018	Minn. Stat. Ann. § 358.645	1/1/2019	No regulations will be written	_____
14. MO	HB 1655	7/6/2020	Rev. Stat Mo. 486.200-1205; 578.700	8/28/2020	_____	_____
15. MT	Senate 306 rev. Senate 370	5/4/2015 4/3/2019	Mont. Code §1-5-601 et seq.	10/1/2015 10/1/2019	Mont. Adm. Rules Ch. 44.15.108	9/7/2019
16. NE	Legislative Bill 186	5/30/2019	Rev. Stat. Neb. Ann. Chapter 64	7/1/2020	In process of drafting regulations	_____
17. NV	Assembly 476 (FtoF) Assembly 413 (RON)	5/8/2017 6/9/2017	Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. S. 240.181, et seq.	7/1/2017 (FtoF) 7/1/2018 remote	Nev. Adm. Code Ch. 240	12/13/2019
18. ND	House 1110	3/11/2109	N. Dak. Cent. Code §§44-06.1-01 - 30	8/1/2019	In process of drafting regulations	_____
19. OH	Senate 263	12/13/2018	Oh. Rev. Code §§147-01 - 99	9/20/2019	Oh. Adm. Code Ch. 111:6-1-05	9/22/2019

State	RON Bill	Signed	Statutory Reference	Effective	RON Regulations	Effective
20. OK	Senate 915	5/9/2019	Okla. Stat. Title 16 § 87; Title 49 §§201-214	1/1/2020	Okla. Adm. Rules Title 655, Ch. 25	1/1/2020
21. OR	House 4212A	6/30/2020	Ore. Rev. Stat. Chapter 194	Expires 7/1/2021	_____	_____
22. PA	House 2370	10/29/2020	57 Pa. Cons. Stat. §§301-333	10/29/2020	Department of State shall adopt regulations	_____
23. SD	House 1272	3/18/2019	S. Dak. Cod. Laws Ch. 18-1	7/1/2019	No regulations will be written	_____
24. TN	Senate 1758; House 1794	5/15/2018	Tenn. Code Ann. S. 8-16-301, et seq.	7/1/2019	Tenn. Adm. Rules Ch. 1360-07-03	1/7/2020
25. TX	House 1217	6/1/2017	Tx. Govt. § 406.101, et seq.	7/1/2018	Tx. Adm. Code Title 1, Pt. 4, Ch. 87 Subc. H	8/19/2019
26. UT	House 52	3/25/2019	Ut. Code Ann. §§46-1-1 - 23	11/1/2019	Ut. Adm. Rules Title R623-100	11/1/2019
27. VT	House 526	5/22/2018	26 V.S.A. s. 5301, et seq.	7/1/2019	In process of drafting regulations	_____
28. VA	House 2318 Senate 827 rev. Senate 270	3/6/2011 4/4/2012	Va. Code §47.1-1 et seq.	7/1/2011 7/1/2012	Va. Electronic Notar. Assurance Std. v1.0	01/21/2013
29. WA	Senate 5641	4/26/2019	Rev. Code Wash. 42.45 et seq.	10/1/2020	"Director may adopt rules"	_____
30. WI	Assembly 293	03/03/2020	Wisc. Stat. Ch. 140	05/01/2020	_____	_____

NOTES:

An Executive Order accelerated the RON effective date in Arizona to April 10, 2020.

On June 11, 2020, Louisiana became the 25th state to enact remote notarization (HB274). The effective date of the act is the later of the enactment of the federal SECURE Act or August 1, 2020. If the SECURE Act is not enacted by February 1, 2022, the effective date shall be February 1, 2022.

Oregon passed HB 4212A, signed by the Governor on June 30, 2020, to legalize Remote Online Notarization (RON) through July 2021.

Rhode Island issued guidance for RON, originally endorsed for issuance pursuant to Executive Order 09-08 dated 4/9/09; supplemented pursuant to Executive Order 09-25 dated 10/1/09; amended on 11/18/2009; amended and restated on 1/1/2019; amended and [restated on 4/3/2020](#). Read [Standards of Conduct](#).

South Dakota is commonly listed as a RON state. Although a law was passed in 2019, it is NOT remote online notary; it is what one notary administrator called "tangible/remote." The notary watches the signer online, signing a paper document which is mailed to the notary; the notary notarizes the signed paper document and mails it back to the signer.

https://sdlegislature.gov/Statutes/Codified_Laws/DisplayStatute.aspx?Type=Statute&Statute=18-1-11.1

LINKS:

<https://www.ncsl.org/research/about-state-legislatures/2021-state-legislative-session-calendar.aspx>

<http://www.statescape.com/resources/legislative/session-schedules.aspx>

<http://www.statescape.com/resources/legislative/bill-signing-deadlines/>

Mortgage Bankers Association RON Resources:

<https://www.mba.org/audience/state-legislative-and-regulatory-resource-center/remote-online-notarization>

REVISED UNIFORM LAW ON NOTARIAL ACTS (RULONA) STATES:	STATES PROVIDING FOR “PAPERING OUT” (RECORDING A PAPER OR TANGIBLE COPY OF AN ELECTRONIC RECORD):	STATES WITHOUT FACE-TO-FACE ELECTRONIC NOTARIZATION:	eWILLS STATES:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Colorado 2. DC 3. Hawaii 4. Idaho 5. Iowa 6. Minnesota 7. Mississippi (7/1/2021) 8. Montana 9. North Dakota 10. Oregon 11. Pennsylvania 12. Rhode Island 13. Vermont 14. Washington 15. West Virginia 16. Wisconsin 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Florida 2. Idaho 3. Iowa (7/1/2020) 4. Kentucky 5. Maryland (10/1/2020) 6. Minnesota 7. Montana 8. North Dakota 9. Ohio 10. Oklahoma 11. Pennsylvania (10/29/2020) 12. Tennessee 13. Texas 14. Washington (10/1/2020) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Alabama 2. Alaska 3. Illinois 4. Georgia 5. Louisiana 6. Maine 7. Massachusetts 8. Mississippi 9. New Hampshire 10. New Jersey 11. South Carolina 12. Wyoming 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Arizona 2. Colorado 3. Florida 4. Indiana 5. Nevada 6. DC temporary order expires 07/09/2020 7. Utah 8. Vermont

STATES WITH ORDERS, DECLARATIONS, or EMERGENCY RULES PERMITTING RON:

National Governors' Association - State-by-state [list](#) of all actions taken on COVID-19 (coronavirus)

American College of Trust and Estate Counsel - [Emergency Remote Notarization and Witnessing Orders](#)

Council of State Governments list of Executive Orders - <https://web.csg.org/covid19/executive-orders/>

Leonine FOCUS Reports - <http://track.leoninefocus.com/documents/coronavirus/remote-notarization-orders>

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- **Alabama** issued a fourth supplemental [proclamation](#) addressing a number of pandemic-related issues. [Fifth Supplemental State of Emergency: Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#) was issued on April 2, 2020.
- **Alaska** Office of the Lieutenant Governor [adopted](#) provisions relating to notarial acts performed for remotely located individuals. These provisions implement Alaska House Bill 124 and are effective on January 1, 2021.
- **Arizona** issued [Executive Order 2020-26](#), effective April 10, 2020 to permit remote online notarization provided Arizona notary law and regulations are followed.
- **Arkansas** governor issued [Executive Order EO 20-12](#) (Executive Order 11) permitting the use of "videoconferencing technology" such as Skype, Zoom, and Facetime to be used by notaries who are also attorneys. Executive Order 20-14 suspended requirements for in-person witnessing and notarization of legal documents. [Executive Order 20-45](#), dated Aug. 14 2020, extended the state of emergency declared in Executive Order 20-03 and renewed by Executive Order 20-37 and extended Order 20-14's suspension of in-person witnessing and notarization of legal documents for 60 days. [Executive Order 20-53](#) extended Executive Order 20-14, regarding the suspension of in-person witnessing and notarization of legal documents for 60 days.
- **California** changed its SOS website to remove its prior endorsement of out of state RON, and replaced it with a recommendation that CA residents use CA mobile notaries. <https://www.sos.ca.gov/business-programs/bizfile/covid-19-frequently-asked-questions/>. On May 7, [Executive Order N-63-20](#) extended the expiration dates of expired notary commissions and said notaries could accept expired driver's licenses
- **Colorado** [Executive Order D 2020 019](#) temporarily suspends the personal appearance requirement and authorizes the Secretary of State to promulgate and issue temporary emergency rules. Remote notarizations must take place by "real-time audio-video communication," such as video conference calls. The original executive order (D 2020 019) was extended through April 30 ([D 2020 030](#)). On April 30, Executive Order [D 2020 047](#) extended Executive Orders D 2020 019 and D 2020 030. On May 29, [Executive Order D 2020 087](#) extended Executive Order D 2020 019, D 2020 030, and D 2020 047 for the temporary suspension of the personal appearance requirement for notarization. [Temporary and permanent regulations](#) were issued temporarily effective on December 31, 2020; they will become permanently effective twenty days after publication in the Colorado Register.
- **Connecticut** issued [Executive Order 7K](#) March 23 immediately authorizing notarial acts to be performed utilizing audio-visual technology for persons physically located in Connecticut under certain conditions; this order was superseded by [Executive Order 7Q](#) (Executive Order 20) on March 30. On June 16, Executive Order 7ZZ extended Executive Order No. 7Q, remote notarization, for the duration of the public health and civil preparedness emergency, including any period of renewal of such emergency.

- **Delaware** Secretary of State updated its website to include an [endorsement](#) of its residents' use of remote notarization capabilities under the laws of states which permit remote notarizations. [Executive Order](#) temporarily permitting the use of "Remote Ink Notarization" (RIN). On May 31, the Twentieth Modification ordered that the COVID-19 State of Emergency declaration, as modified by the First through Nineteenth Modifications and extended on April 10, 2020 and on May 8, 2020, shall remain in effect until further notice. On June 10, the State of Emergency declaration, as modified by the First through Twentieth Modifications shall remain in effect until further notice.
- **Florida** Supreme Court issued [Administrative Order No. AOSC20-16](#) to allow notaries and other persons qualified to administer oaths to swear a witness remotely by audio-video communication technology.
- **Georgia** Supreme Court issued [guidance for attorneys](#) participating in real estate closings. [Executive Order 03.31.20.01](#) authorized the use of real-time audio-visual communication technology to assist in notarizing real estate documents. [Executive Order 04.09.20.01](#) authorized the use of remote notarization and attesting of documents. Executive Order on June 29 extended the public health state of emergency, incorporating authorization for RIN, until Aug. 11. Extension of the GSCCC emergency judiciary order states attorneys are permitted to conduct remote closings to that date. On August 31, 2020, the governor renewed the Public Health State of Emergency until October 10, 2020 by issuing [Executive Order 08.31.20.01](#). On November 30, 2020, renewed the Public Health State of Emergency until January 8, 2021 by issuing Executive Order 11.30.20.01. On December 30, 2020, renewed the Public Health State of Emergency until February 7, 2021 by issuing Executive Order 12.30.20.01.
- **Hawaii**, on March 29, the Governor of Hawaii issued [Executive Order 20-02](#) temporarily suspending the in-person requirement for notarizations and adopting rules enabling the use of audio-video technology to notarize paper documents. Hawaii issued [Executive Order No. 20-06](#), on April 25, the sixth supplementary proclamation, and on May 5, the [seventh supplementary proclamation](#), amending and restating prior proclamations and executive orders, containing rules for notaries. On May 18, the [eighth supplementary proclamation](#) amended and restated all prior proclamations and executive orders, and authorized and invoked rules relating to notaries public. On June 10, the [ninth supplementary proclamation](#) was issued. On July 17, 2020, [the tenth proclamation](#) related to the COVID-19 emergency was issued. On October 13, the [fourteenth proclamation](#) related to the COVID-19 emergency was issued. On November 23, the [sixteenth proclamation](#) related to the COVID-19 emergency was issued.
- **Idaho** enacted RON effective January 1. The Idaho Administrative Bulletin for April 1, 2020 – Vol. 20-434.07.01, Page 142, contains [Rules Governing Notarial Acts Performed for Remotely Located Individuals](#), Docket No. 34-0701-2002 (New Chapter), Notice of Rulemaking – Adoption of Temporary Rule. The effective date of the Temporary Rule Is March 20, 2020.
- **Illinois** issued [Executive Order No. 14](#) March 26 allowing any act of witnessing required by Illinois law to be completed by two-way audio-visual communication, with conditions; SOS guidance to supplement the Executive Order [here](#). [Executive Order 2020-33](#) extended and amended Executive Order 2020-14, through May 29, 2020. 5 ILCS 175/95-20 Remote Witnessing and Notarization gives statutory approval to the notary and witness guidelines provided in State of Illinois Executive Order 2020-14.
- **Indiana** issued a final rule and regulations [LSA Document #19-329\(F\)](#) to add 75 IAC 7 concerning office procedures and remote notary public authorizations. Effective March 31, 2020. See Executive Order 20-15, signed March 31, 2020.
- **Iowa** issued a [Proclamation of Disaster Emergency](#) March 23 which enabled Iowa notaries to perform remote online notarizations in accordance with [guidance](#) of the Iowa Secretary of State and compliance with section 6 of Iowa Senate bill [SF475](#) regarding notarial acts performed for remotely located individuals. Executive Order 508 of April 27 continued provisions for remote online notarization. The Secretary of State [amended](#) Chapter 43, "Notarial Acts", of the Iowa Administrative Code to establish procedures for electronic and remote notarial acts. The rule will become effective on July 1, 2020.

- **Kansas** issued [Executive Order No. 20-20](#) on April 9, 2020, temporarily allowing notaries and witnesses to act via audio-video communication technology. The Executive Order was extended through May 31, 2020. On May 26, Kansas issued [Executive Order No. 20-40](#) temporarily allowing notaries and witnesses to act via audio-video communication technology during the state of disaster emergency. On June 30 [Executive Order No. 20-49](#) extended previous orders to September 15, 2020. [Executive Order No. 20-64](#) extended previous Executive Orders relating to the COVID-19 pandemic through January 26, 2021.
- **Kentucky** enacted legislation ([SB 150](#)) which waives the state's in person requirement for notarizations, enabling notarizations to be performed via video teleconference in real time, and permitting such paper documents to be signed or notarized in counterparts;
- **Louisiana** issued [Proclamation Number 37 JBE 2020](#) (Executive Order 537) permitting remote electronic notarization during the emergency. Extended by subsequent Proclamations. [Proclamation Number 210 JBE 2020](#) extended the emergency from Wednesday, December 23, 2020 to Wednesday, January 13, 2021.
- **Maine** issued [Executive Order 37](#) on April 8, 2020 to temporarily modify certain in-person notarization and acknowledgement requirements. On April 24, an amendment to the order extended the time period to return signed documents from 48 to 96 hours.
- **Maryland** has an [emergency order](#) to allow clerks to file land records with Simplifile and deems instruments signed electronically as being properly executed. Effective March 30th, the Governor temporarily waived the in-person requirement for notarizing documents, subject to guidance provided by Secretary of State. [Emergency Order No. 20-03-30-04](#) authorizes remote notarizations and the temporary guidance. The in-person notarization requirement waiver [guidance](#) was updated April 11, 2020.
- **Michigan** issued [Executive Order No. 2020-41](#) encouraging the use of electronic signatures and remote notarization, witnessing, and visitation during the COVID-19 pandemic; on May 6, [Executive Order 2020-74](#) encouraging the use of electronic signatures and remote notarization, witnessing, and visitation during the coronavirus pandemic; rescinds Executive Order 2020-41. Secretary of State's [Guidance on Temporary Changes to In-Person Notarization](#) expires May 6, 2020 relates to temporary remote notarizations performed under Executive Order effective April 8, 2020. Executive Order 2020-131 rescinded E. O 2020-74 on June 24. On July 27, 2020, [Executive Order No. 2020-158](#) encouraging the use of electronic signatures and remote notarization, witnessing, and visitation during the COVID-19 pandemic became effective immediately and continues through August 31. Executive Order 2020-131 is rescinded. [Executive Order 2020-173](#) rescinded E.O. 158 and extended remote notarization through September 30. [Executive Order 2020-186](#) extended Michigan's state of emergency through October 27. On November 5, 2020, Michigan's governor [signed](#) 2020 PA 246, allowing remote witnessing, and 2020 PA 249 allowing remote notarizations. This applies to any document that is executed on or after April 30, 2020 through December 31, 2020. The governor on December 29 2020 signed four bills extending until June 30, 2021 remote procedures (signing, witnessing, notarizing and recording) for certain records. Senate Bill 1186 (Public Act 335) Uniform Electronic Transactions Act – <https://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/2019-2020/billenrolled/Senate/htm/2020-SNB-1186.htm>; Senate Bill 1187 (Public Act 336) Law on Notarial Acts – <https://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/2019-2020/billenrolled/Senate/htm/2020-SNB-1187.htm>; Senate Bill 1188 (Public Act 337) Uniform Real Property Electronic Recording Act – <https://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/2019-2020/billenrolled/Senate/htm/2020-SNB-1188.htm>; Senate Bill 1189 (Public Act 338) Estates and Protected Individuals Code – <https://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/2019-2020/billenrolled/Senate/htm/2020-SNB-1189.htm>.
- **Mississippi** issued [Executive Order 1467](#) (Executive Order 13) to allow remote notarization during the emergency and 14 days after, provided conditions are met. The notary may charge an additional \$25 for notarial acts performed under this rule. Secretary of State's [Remote Notarization Executive Order Guidance](#) effective April 6, 2020 for duration of Executive Order No. 1467.

- **Missouri** issued [Executive Order 20-08](#) on April 6 2020 suspending the requirement of personal appearance before a notary public under the laws of this state to the extent that any notarial act is authorized to be performed utilizing audio-video technology, provided conditions are met. On May 4, the governor issued [Executive Order 20-10](#) to extend until June 15 2020 the provisions, in whole, of Executive Orders 20-04, 20-05, and 20-08. Secretary of State's [Executive Order 20-08 Guidance](#), effective April 6, 2020 and in force for duration of Executive Order (June 15, 2020). On June 11, [Executive Order 20-12](#) extended Executive Order 20-08, related to notary services, to August 28, 2020. [Executive Order 20-13](#) extends Executive Order 20-08, which suspends the requirement of personal appearance before a notary public by authorizing the use of audio-video technology, until Dec. 1. [Executive Order 20-14](#) extends Order 13 to Dec. 30. An [emergency rule](#) for notary commissions, the complaint process, and RON was filed Aug. 31, 2020, effective Sept. 15, 2020, expires March 13, 2021. A proposed rule covering the same material is published in the Missouri Register.
- **Nebraska** issued [Executive Order 20-13](#), dated 4/1/2020.
- **New Hampshire** issued [Emergency Order #11](#) to Executive Order 2020-4 March 23 which authorizes notarial acts using audio-visual technology, provided that the signer mails a copy of the signed documents to the notary for certification and the official date and time of notarization shall be the witnessing of the signature using the audio-visual technology.
- **New Jersey** Legislature passed AB 3903, 04/14/2020 signed by GOVERNOR Chapter No. 2020-26. Division of [Revenue's Guidance, Remote Notarial Acts Under AB 3903](#) published April 20, 2020. Effective until rescission (revocation, repeal) of Governor's Executive Order No. 103 of 2020. See Page 14, "Appendix, Remote Notarial Acts."
- **New Mexico** governor issued [Executive Order 2020-015](#), temporarily permitting notarial acts through audio-visual technology under certain conditions. Secretary of State's [Executive Order 2020-015 Guidance](#) effective for duration of the Executive Order. On June 11, [Executive Order 2020-039](#) extended the order temporarily permitting notarial acts through audio-visual technology under certain conditions and shall remain in effect until the Governor rescinds it.
- **New York** issued [Executive Order 202.7](#) March 19 immediately authorizing notarial acts to be performed utilizing audio-visual technology under certain conditions. On April 7, New York issued Executive Order 202.14, permitting remote witnessing of wills, powers of attorney, health care proxies, deeds and other documents. Extended until June 6, 2020 by Executive Order 202.28. New York issued guidance for its emergency order. https://www.dos.ny.gov/licensing/notary/DOS_COVID19_RemoteNotaryGuidance_032520.pdf. New York issued [Executive Order 202.14](#) on April 7, 2020, allowing for witness signatures required on certain legal documents to be conducted using audio-video technology when specific conditions are met. Executive Order 202.28 extends Executive Order 202.7 through June 6, further extended through July 6 by [Executive Order 202.38](#), and further extended through August 5 by [Executive Order 202.48](#). [Executive Order 202.31](#) was issued May 14. [Executive Order 202.60](#) continued the declaration of the State Disaster Emergency effective March 7, 2020, as set forth in Executive Order 202, to remain in effect until October 4, 2020. [Executive Order 202.67](#), continuing temporary suspension and modification of laws related to the disaster emergency, was issued Oct. 4. It extends the executive order until Nov. 3, 2020. By [Executive Order 202.72](#) issued November 3, 2020, New York's remote notarization and document execution procedures are extended through December 3, 2020. [Executive Order 202.79](#) was issued by the governor on Dec. 2, 2020, extending until Jan. 1, 2021, the executive order authorizing notarizations to be performed utilizing audio-video technology.
- **North Carolina** House Bill 1023, signed by Governor July 1 2020, [Session Law Number 2020-80](#), extended sunset on remote notary and video witnessing authorization until March 1 2021.
- **North Dakota** Secretary of State updated its website to include (limited) guidance on performing remote online notarization in accordance with state law. <http://sos.nd.gov/notaries-public/remote-online-notarization>

- **Oregon** passed HB 4212A, signed into law by the Governor on June 30, 2020, to legalize Remote Online Notarization (RON) until June 30 2021. RON also allows notaries from other states to perform Remote Online Notarizations for Oregonians.
- **Pennsylvania** [suspended](#) the in person requirement for PA RULONA on March 26, to enable real estate closings in process to be closed using audio-visual technology; Pennsylvania [suspended](#) the In-Person Requirement for Court Reporters March 21. The governor's [second amendment](#) to the proclamation of disaster emergency was signed August 31.
- **Rhode Island** issued updated [Standards of Conduct for Notaries Public](#) effective as of April 3, 2020.
- **South Dakota** permits use of communication technology only "if the notarial officer: ... affixes the notarial officer's signature to the original tangible document executed by the [principal]" and only if the notary personally knows the principal
- **Tennessee** Supreme Court has filed several orders and modified policies to help attorneys navigate the covid-19 pandemic and mitigate its impact. All of the Supreme Court's orders relating to covid-19, as well as orders, memos, and policies filed by local courts and other resources, can be found on www.tncourts.gov/coronavirus. Attorneys should utilize the page for the most up-to-date information and orders from courts across Tennessee. Tennessee issued [Executive Order 26](#) on April 9, 2020 to suspend provisions of certain statutes and rules to facilitate remote notarization and witnessing of documents. [Executive Order 37](#) extended EO 26 until June 30, 2020 temporarily permitting remote notarization and witnessing of documents. Executive Order 52 dated June 29, 2020 is substantively identical to Executive Order No. 37 (which extended Executive Order No. 26), and extends those orders to August 29, 2020. [Executive Order 61](#) dated August 28, 2020 extended remote notarization to September 30, 2020. [Executive Order No. 64](#) extends through Oct. 30 provisions that allow for remote notarization and witnessing of documents. [Executive Order No. 66](#) extends through Dec. 29 provisions that allow for remote notarizations and witnessing of documents. [Executive Order No. 72](#) extends through February 27, 2021 provisions that allow for remote notarizations and witnessing of documents.
- **Texas**, on April 8, 2020, [temporarily suspended certain statutes](#) to allow for appearance before a notary public via videoconference to execute a self-proved will, a durable power of attorney, a medical power of attorney, a directive to physician, or an oath of an executor, administrator, or guardian. This [suspension](#) will remain in effect until terminated by the Office of the Governor or until the March 13, 2020 disaster declaration is lifted or expires. On April 27, Texas [suspended a statute](#) concerning appearance before a notary public to acknowledge real-estate instruments such as mortgages. On May 21, the temporary use of [Remote Ink-Signed Notarization \(RIN\)](#) was extended from the original May 30 termination date to June 30, 2020.
- **Vermont** Secretary of State issued [emergency administrative rules](#) permitting remote ink notarization (RIN) under certain restrictions for 180 days to address the COVID-19 event. Emergency rules have been extended through March 19, 2021.
- **Washington** on March 26, issued [Proclamation 20-27](#) (extended to May 31 by [Proclamation 20-27.2](#), extended through June 17 by [Proclamation 20-27.3](#), extended through July 1 by [Proclamation 20-27.4](#)) and extended through August 1 by [Proclamation 20-27.5](#) DOL also filed [emergency rules](#) to clarify requirements for the notary community. On July 31, issued [Proclamation 20-27.6 Electronic Notary](#) extending Proclamations 20-5 and 20-27 et. seq. On September 2, issued [Proclamation 20-27.7](#) extending Proclamations 20-25 and 20-27 through September 30.
- **West Virginia** governor issued Executive Order 11-20, which suspends the "personal appearance" requirements for a document to be notarized under W. Va. Code § 39-4-6. The Emergency Rule, which can be found at [Code of State Rules § 153-45](#), sets forth procedures for notaries to witness the signing of a document remotely using an electronic device, technology, process or a combination of those electronic options.
- **Wisconsin** Department of Financial Institutions issued [emergency guidance](#) March 18 immediately authorizing remote online notarizations in the state. On May 9, the DFI issued an [order](#) to create Ch. DFI-CCS 25 related to notaries public and notarial acts. The order expires Oct. 5.

- **Wyoming** Secretary of State issued [guidance](#) March 24 allowing remote online notarization during the COVID event. Updated [guidance](#) was issued on June 26.

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