

## Ohio Revised Code Section 147.01

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- (A) The secretary of state may appoint and commission as notaries public as many persons who meet the qualifications of division (B) of this section as the secretary of state considers necessary.
- (B) In order for a person to qualify to be appointed and commissioned as a notary public, the person must satisfy both of the following:
- (1) The person has attained the age of eighteen years.
- (2) One of the following applies:
- (a) The person is a legal resident of this state who is not an attorney admitted to the practice of law in this state by the Ohio supreme court.
- (b) The person is a legal resident of this state who is an attorney admitted to the practice of law in this state by the Ohio supreme court.
- (c) The person is not a legal resident of this state, is an attorney admitted to the practice of law in this state by the Ohio supreme court, and has the person's principal place of business or the person's primary practice in this state.
- (C) A notary public shall be appointed and commissioned as a notary public for the state. The secretary of state may revoke a commission issued to a notary public upon presentation of satisfactory evidence of official misconduct or incapacity.