

MICHIGAN LAW ON NOTARIAL ACTS (EXCERPT)
Act 238 of 2003

55.300 Investigation by secretary of state; complaint.

Sec. 40.

(1) The secretary may, on his or her own initiative or in response to a complaint, make a reasonable and necessary investigation within or outside of this state and gather evidence concerning a person who violated, allegedly violated, or is about to violate this act, a rule promulgated under this act, or an order issued under this act or concerning whether a notary public is in compliance with this act, a rule promulgated under this act, or an order issued under this act.

(2) A person may file a complaint against a notary public with the secretary. A complaint shall be made in a format prescribed by the secretary and contain all of the following:

- (a) The complainant's name, address, and telephone number.
- (b) The complainant's signature and the date the complaint was signed.
- (c) A complete statement describing the basis for the complaint.
- (d) The actual record that is the basis for the complaint or a copy, photocopy, or other replica of the record.

(3) The secretary may investigate compliance with this act, the rules promulgated under it, or an order issued under it by examination of a notary public's records, contracts, and other pertinent records or information that relate to the official acts of the notary public.

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