

14-12A-15. Unauthorized practice of law.

A. If notarial certificate wording is not provided or indicated for a document, a non-attorney notary public shall not determine the type of notarial act or certificate to be used.

B. A non-attorney notary public shall not assist another person in drafting, completing, selecting or understanding a document or transaction requiring a notarial act.

C. This section does not preclude a notary public who is duly qualified, trained or experienced in a particular industry or professional field from selecting, drafting, completing or advising on a document or certificate related to a matter within that industry or field.

D. A notary public shall not claim to have powers, qualifications, rights or privileges that the office of notary public does not provide, including the power to counsel on immigration matters.

E. A notary public shall not use the term "notario publico" or any equivalent non-English term in any business card, advertisement, notice or sign.

History: Laws 2003, ch. 286, § 15.

ANNOTATIONS

Effective dates. — Laws 2003, ch. 286, § 28 Laws 2003, ch. 286, § 15 effective July 1, 2003.