



CHAPTER 47
ARTICLE 4 - CURATIVE STATUTES; ACKNOWLEDGMENTS; PROBATES; REGISTRATION

N.C.G.S. § 47-53.

Probates omitting official seals, etc.

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If the acknowledgment, private examination, or other proof of the execution of any deed, mortgage, or other instrument authorized or required to be registered has been taken by or before any commissioner of affidavits and deeds of this State, clerk or deputy clerk of a court of record, or notary public of this or any other state, territory, or district, and the deed, mortgage, or other instrument has been recorded in any county in this State, but the commissioner, clerk, deputy clerk, or notary public omitted to attach his or her official or notarial seal to it, or if omitted, to insert his or her name in the body of the certificate, or if omitted, to sign his or her name to the certificate, if the name of the officer appears in the body of the certificate or is signed to it, or it does not appear of record that the seal was attached to the original deed, mortgage, or other instrument, or the commissioner, clerk, deputy clerk, or notary public has certified the certificate as under his or her "official seal," or "notarial seal," or words of similar import, and no such seal appears of record or where the officer uses "notarial" in his or her certificate and signature shows that "C.S.C.," or "clerk of superior court," or similar exchange of capacity, and the word "seal" follows the signature, then all such acknowledgments, private examinations or other proofs of such deeds, mortgages, or other instruments, and their registration are in all respects valid and binding. This section applies to acknowledgments, private examinations, or proofs taken prior to April 1, 2021. This section does not apply to pending litigation.

END OF SECTION TEXT

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APPARATUS I
16 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	Rev.	s. 1012	RECODIFIED
02	1907	cc. 213, 665, 971	AMENDED
03	1911	c. 4	AMENDED
04	1915	c. 36	AMENDED
05	C.S.	s. 3334	RECODIFIED
06	1929	c. 8, s. 1	AMENDED
07	1945	c. 808, s. 2	AMENDED
08	1951	c. 1151, s. 1	AMENDED
09	1965	c. 500	AMENDED
10	1983	c. 398, s. 3	AMENDED
11	1985	c. 70, s. 3	AMENDED
12	1987	c. 277, s. 3	AMENDED
13	1989	c. 390, s. 3	AMENDED
14	1991	c. 489, s. 3	AMENDED
15	2013	S.L. 2013-204, s. 1.22	AMENDED
16	2021	S.L. 2021-91, s. 4(f)	AMENDED

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 47-53 (2021).

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