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2023 Wisconsin Act 129 [2023 Senate Bill 626]

Remote Notarization

CURRENT LAW

Current law generally permits a notary public to perform a notarization remotely for certain specified transactions. Remote notarization, however, is generally not permitted for the purposes of transactions related to the creation and execution of wills and trusts; marital property agreements; health care powers of attorney; and other powers of attorney unless the transaction is between two or more persons relating to the conduct of business, commercial, or governmental affairs.

2023 WISCONSIN ACT 129

2023 Wisconsin Act 129 creates an exception to the general prohibition on remote notarization of powers of attorney, permitting remote notarization of a limited financial power of attorney for a real estate transaction.

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For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's <u>bill history page</u>.

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