

OATH or AFFIRMATION

Prior to entering upon the duties of the office a Governing Board member or exercising any function of a Board member, each Board member shall take the oath or affirmation required by law. (California Constitution, Article 20, Section 3; Government Code 1360)

The oath or affirmation may be administered and certified by a Board member, the secretary or assistant secretary to the Board, the Superintendent, the County Superintendent of Schools, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, or any other person authorized in Education Code 60 or Government Code 1225.

The executed oath shall be filed with the County Clerk. (Government Code 1363)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

60 Persons authorized to administer and certify oaths

GOVERNMENT CODE

1225 Right to administer and certify oaths

1303 Exercising functions of office without having qualified 1360-1369 Oath of Office

3100-3109 Oath or affirmation of allegiance

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 20, Sec. 3 Oath of Office

COURT DECISIONS

Chilton v. Contra Costa Community College District (1976) 55 Cal. App. 3d 544 Vogel v.

County of Los Angeles (1967) 68 Cal. 2d 18, 22

WEBSITE

CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Service: <https://legalservices.csba.org/>

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