**§1908. Authority to refuse to perform notarial act**

**1. Basis to refuse.**  A notarial officer may refuse to perform a notarial act if the officer is not satisfied that:

A. The individual executing the record is competent or has the capacity to execute the record; or [PL 2021, c. 651, Pt. A, §4 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 651, Pt. A, §8 (AFF).]

B. The individual's signature is knowingly and voluntarily made. [PL 2021, c. 651, Pt. A, §4 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 651, Pt. A, §8 (AFF).]

[PL 2021, c. 651, Pt. A, §4 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 651, Pt. A, §8 (AFF).]

**2. Refusal permitted unless otherwise required.**  A notarial officer may refuse to perform a notarial act unless refusal is prohibited by a law other than this chapter.

[PL 2021, c. 651, Pt. A, §4 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 651, Pt. A, §8 (AFF).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 2021, c. 651, Pt. A, §4 (NEW). PL 2021, c. 651, Pt. A, §8 (AFF).

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