

CHAPTER 64.

S. F. No. 206.

An act to provide for the execution and acknowledgment of deeds and other instruments by soldiers and sailors in the service of the United States in territory outside of the jurisdiction of any state.

Acknowledgment of instruments by soldiers in service.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota :

SECTION 1. That when any soldier or sailor in the service of the United States government in territory which is outside of the jurisdiction of any state of the Union, desires to execute or acknowledge any deed or other instrument, which the laws of this state require to be filed, or which may be filed in any public office in the State of Minnesota, such soldier or sailor may execute such deed or other instrument in the presence of two witnesses, and may acknowledge that he executed such deed or other instrument before any commissioned officer in the actual service of the army of the United States, and the certificate of any commissioned officer in the service of the army of the United States that the person executing any such deed or other instrument, appeared before him, said officer, and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed, and that said person at the time of such acknowledgment was either a soldier or sailor in the service of the United States army or navy, shall be prima facie evidence that such deed or other instrument was so executed, and shall entitle the deed or other instrument bearing such certificate to be recorded in any public office in the State of Minnesota, in the same manner as if said deed or other instrument had been duly acknowledged before a notary public of the State of Minnesota.

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SEC. 2. Any deed or other instrument purporting to have been executed in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing section, and purporting to have been acknowledged before any commissioned officer in the service of the army of the United States shall be prima facie evidence that it was so executed and acknowledged with and other certificate or authentication whatsoever.

Prima facie evidence.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 16, 1901.