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CHAPTER 48.

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Sec. 1. The governor shall have power to appoint one or more commissioners in any state of the United States, or of the territories belonging to the United States, who shall continue in office during the pleasure of the governor, and shall have authority to take the acknowledgment and proof of the execution of any deed, or other conveyance or lease of any lands lying in this territory, and of any contract, letter of attorney, or any other writing under seal or not, to be used or recorded in this territory.

Effect of acknowledgments taken by commissioners.

Sec. 2. Such acknowledgment or proof, so taken according to the laws of this territory, and certified to by any such commissioners, under his seal of office annexed to or indorsed on such instrument, shall have the same power and effect as if the same had been made before any officer authorized to perform such acts in this territory.

Power of commissioners to take oaths and depositions. Sec. 3. Every commissioner appointed as before mentioned, shall have power to administer an oath which may be lawfully required in this territory, to any person willing to take it; and to take and duly certify all depositions to be used in any of the courts of this territory, in conformity to the laws thereof, either on interrogatories proposed under a commissioner from a court of this territory, or by consent of parties, or on legal notice given to the opposite party; and all such acts shall be as valid as if done and certified according to law, by a proper officer of this territory.

Commissioners to take official oath, &c. Sec. 4. Every such commissioner, before performing any duty, or exercising any power by virtue of his appointment, shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation before a judge or clerk of one of the courts of record of the state or territory in which such commissioner shall reside, well and faithfully to execute and peform all the duties of such commissioner, under and by virtue of the laws of Minnesota, which oath, with a description or impression of his seal of office, shall be filed in the office of the secretary of this territory.