

Notarial Seal, Requirements in. Montana, Proper Designation of the Name of.

Under the provisions of chapter 103, session laws of 1909, the word "Montana" appearing in the seal of a Notary Public is a sufficient designation of the name of the "State of Montana."

Helena, Montana, November 16, 1909.

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I am in receipt of your letter of November 15, together with the impression of the notarial seal of M. H. Parker.

This seal seems to be in full compliance with the provisions of chapter 103, session laws of 1909.

Section 320, subdivision 5, makes it the duty of a notary public:

"To provide and keep an official seal, upon which must be engraved the name of the state of Montana, and the words "notar-

ial seal,' with the surname of the notary and at least the initials of his christian name."

This impression shows that the seal complies with all of these provisions, except the words "state of," before the word "Montana" are omitted. However, I think it can be said that the name of this state is "Montana."

The enabling act, enabling the people of Montana to form a constitution and state government seems to designate the name of this state as "Montana."

Yours very truly,

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