

**MICHIGAN LAW ON NOTARIAL ACTS (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 238 of 2003**

**55.309 Violation as misdemeanor or felony; jurisdiction; penalties and remedies as cumulative.**

Sec. 49. (1) Except as otherwise provided for in section 41(4) or as provided by law, a person who violates this act is guilty of 1 of the following:

(a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 or by imprisonment for not more than 1 year, or both.

(b) If the person knowingly violates this act when notarizing any document relating to an interest in real property or a mortgage transaction, a felony punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 or by imprisonment for not more than 4 years, or both.

(2) An action concerning a fee charged for a notarial act shall be filed in the district court in the place where the notarial act occurred.

(3) The penalties and remedies under this act are cumulative. The bringing of an action or prosecution under this act does not bar an action or prosecution under any other applicable law.

**History:** 2003, Act 238, Eff. Apr. 1, 2004;—Am. 2011, Act 204, Eff. Jan. 1, 2012.