

**Revised Statutes of 1846 (EXCERPT)**  
**R.S. of 1846**  
**COUNTIES.**

**45.1 Counties; boundaries.**

Sec. 1. The boundaries of the several counties in this state, shall remain as now established, unless the same shall hereafter be changed by the legislature.

**History:** R.S. 1846, Ch. 13;—CL 1857, 300;—CL 1871, 431;—How. 437;—CL 1897, 2439;—CL 1915, 2241;—CL 1929, 1099;—CL 1948, 45.1.

**45.2 Counties; powers, duties, privileges and immunities.**

Sec. 2. All the rights, powers, duties, privileges and immunities of the several counties, shall remain as now established, until the same shall be altered by law.

**History:** R.S. 1846, Ch. 13;—CL 1857, 301;—CL 1871, 432;—How. 438;—CL 1897, 2440;—CL 1915, 2242;—CL 1929, 1100;—CL 1948, 45.2.

**45.3 County; body corporate, purposes.**

Sec. 3. Each organized county shall be a body politic and corporate, for the following purposes, that is to say: To sue and be sued, to purchase and hold real and personal estate for the use of the county; to borrow money for the purpose of erecting and repairing county buildings, and for the building of bridges, to make all necessary contracts, and to do all other necessary acts in relation to the property and concerns of the county.

**History:** R.S. 1846, Ch. 13;—CL 1857, 302;—CL 1871, 433;—How. 439;—CL 1897, 2441;—CL 1915, 2243;—CL 1929, 1101;—CL 1948, 45.3.

**45.4 County property.**

Sec. 4. All real and personal estate, heretofore conveyed by any form of conveyance to the inhabitants of any county, or to the county treasurer, or the governor of the late territory of Michigan, or to any committee, trustees, or other persons, for the use and benefit of such county, shall be deemed to be the property of such county; and all such conveyances shall have the same force and effect as if they had been made to the inhabitants of such counties by their respective corporate names.

**History:** R.S. 1846, Ch. 13;—CL 1857, 303;—CL 1871, 434;—How. 440;—CL 1897, 2442;—CL 1915, 2244;—CL 1929, 1102;—CL 1948, 45.4.

**45.5 County lands; sale and conveyance.**

Sec. 5. The board of supervisors of each county, or other public officers having the charge and management of the county lands, may, by their order of record, appoint 1 or more agents to sell any real estate of their county not donated for any special purpose, and all deeds, made on behalf of such county, by such agents under their proper hands and seals, and duly acknowledged by them, shall be sufficient to convey all the right, title, interest and estate which the county may then have in and to the land so conveyed.

**History:** R.S. 1846, Ch. 13;—CL 1857, 304;—CL 1871, 435;—How. 441;—CL 1897, 2443;—CL 1915, 2245;—CL 1929, 1103;—CL 1948, 45.5.