

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §6-1-6

## **§6-1-6. Where certificates of oaths filed and recorded; destruction of originals.**

Certificates of the oaths of all magisterial district and county officers, and judges of courts of limited jurisdiction within any county, shall be filed, recorded and preserved in the office of the clerk of the county court of the county. Certificates of the oaths of members of boards of education and school officers of any district or independent school district shall be filed, recorded and preserved in the office of the secretary of such board, and certified copies thereof filed and recorded in the office of the clerk of the county court of the county of such district. Certificates of the oaths of all municipal officers shall be filed, recorded and preserved in the office of the clerk or recorder of such municipality, or other officer created or acting in lieu of such clerk or recorder, and certified copies thereof filed and recorded in the office of the clerk of the county court of the county in which such municipality is situated. Certificates of the official oaths of the members of the state Senate and House of Delegates shall be filed and recorded as provided in section 16 of article VI of the Constitution of this state. Certificates of the oaths of all other officers shall be filed and preserved in the office of the Secretary of State.

At any time after the expiration of the term of office for which the oath was taken, the original certificate or certified copy thereof, but not the record, may be destroyed, unless further preservation thereof shall be required by the order of some court, in which event the same may be destroyed when the preservation thereof is no longer required. It shall be the duty of every person who takes an oath of office to procure and file in the proper office the certified copies of his certificate of oath as provided in this section.