

OATH OF OFFICE - MILITARY PERSONNEL

For use of this form, see AR 135-100, the proponent agency is ODCSPER

DATA REQUIRED BY THE PRIVACY ACT OF 1974

AUTHORITY: 5 USC 3331, 552, 552a; 10 USC 10204.
PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: To create a record of the date of acceptance of appointment.
ROUTINE USES: Information is used to establish and record the date of acceptance. The SSN is used to identify the member. The date of acceptance of appointment is used in preparing statements of service and computing basic pay date.
DISCLOSURE: Completion of form is mandatory. Failure to do so will cause the appointment to be invalid.

INSTRUCTIONS

INDICATE THE APPOINTMENT FOR WHICH OATH IS BEING EXECUTED BY PLACING AN "X" IN APPROPRIATE BOX. REGULAR ARMY COMMISSIONED OFFICERS WILL ALSO SPECIFY THE BRANCH OF APPOINTMENT WHEN APPOINTED IN A SPECIAL BRANCH.

This form will be executed upon acceptance of appointment as an officer in the Army of the United States. Immediately upon receipt of notice of appointment, the appointee will, in case of acceptance of the appointment, return to the agency from which received, the oath of office (*on this form*) properly filled in, subscribed and attested. In case of non-acceptance, the notice of appointment will be returned to the agency from which received, (*by letter*) indicating the fact of non-acceptance.

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

WARRANT OFFICERS

REGULAR ARMY _____
(Branch, when so appointed)
 ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES, WITHOUT COMPONENT
 RESERVE COMMISSIONED OFFICER

REGULAR ARMY
 ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES, WITHOUT COMPONENT
 RESERVE WARRANT OFFICER

I, _____ (First Name, Middle Name, Last Name) _____ (Social Security Number)
having been appointed an officer in the Army of the United States, as indicated above in the grade of _____ do solemnly swear (*or affirm*)
that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic,
that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter; SO HELP ME GOD.

(Signature - full name as shown above)

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME AT _____

THIS _____ DAY OF _____, _____
(Day) (Month) (Year)

(Grade, component, or office of official administering oath)

(Signature)

FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

- Whenever any person is elected or appointed to an office of honor or trust under the Government of the United States, he/she is required before entering upon the duties of his/her office, to take and subscribe the oath prescribed by 5 USC 3331.
- 10 USC 626 and 14309 eliminate the necessity of executing oath on promotion of officers.
- The oath of office may be taken before any commissioned officer of any component of any Armed Force, whether or not on active duty (*10 USC 1031*), or before any commissioned warrant officer when acting as an adjutant, assistant adjutant, acting adjutant, or personnel adjutant in any of the Armed Forces (*See UCM*,

Article 136; 10 USC 936). A commissioned warrant officer administering the oath of office will show his/her title in the block to the left of his/her signature.

4. Oath of office may also be taken before any civil officer who is authorized by the laws of the United States or by the local municipal law to administer oaths, and if so administered by a civil official, the oath must bear the official seal of the person administering the oath, or if a seal is not used by the official, the official's capacity to administer oaths must be certified to under seal by a clerk or court or other proper local official.