

# Oath of Office Means Nothing in Washington State

## The Oath of Office: A Sacred Promise

The oath of office is a solemn vow taken by public officials to uphold the laws and Constitutions of the United States and their respective states. It is a promise to serve the public interest and to act with integrity and impartiality.

In Washington State, the oath of office is enshrined in the state constitution:

> "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Washington, and will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of \_\_\_\_\_ to the best of my ability."



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## The Case of Governor Jay Inslee

In recent years, the sanctity of the oath of office has come under fire in Washington State. Governor Jay Inslee has been accused of violating his oath by issuing a series of executive Free Downloads that critics say are unconstitutional.

These Free Downloads include a mandate requiring all state employees to be vaccinated against COVID-19, a ban on the sale of assault weapons, and a moratorium on the death penalty.

Inslee's critics argue that these Free Downloads are an overreach of his authority and that they violate the rights of citizens. They point out that the state constitution gives the legislature, not the governor, the power to make laws.

Inslee's supporters, on the other hand, argue that the governor has the authority to issue executive Free Downloads to protect the public health and safety. They point to the fact that the state constitution gives the governor the power to "take care that the laws be faithfully executed."

## **A Crisis of Confidence**

The debate over Governor Inslee's executive Free Downloads has led to a crisis of confidence in the oath of office. Many citizens are questioning whether public officials are still willing to uphold the law and protect the rights of citizens.

This crisis of confidence is not unique to Washington State. Across the country, public officials are facing increasing pressure to put their political interests ahead of the rule of law.

## **The Way Forward**

The way forward is to restore the sanctity of the oath of office. Public officials must be held accountable for their actions and must be willing to uphold the law, even when it is unpopular.

Citizens must also play a role in defending the oath of office. They must hold their elected officials accountable and must be willing to speak out against any attempt to undermine the rule of law.

The oath of office is a sacred promise. It is a promise to serve the public interest and to uphold the law. We must all work together to ensure that this promise is kept.

### **Additional Resources**

- [The Washington State Constitution](#)
- [The Oath of Office](#)
- [The Crisis of Confidence in the Oath of Office](#)

### **Call to Action**

I urge you to contact your state legislators and demand that they uphold the oath of office. Tell them that you will not tolerate any attempt to undermine the rule of law.

We must all work together to restore the sanctity of the oath of office and to ensure that our government is accountable to the people.

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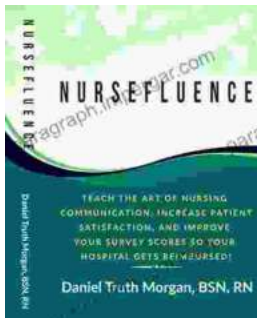
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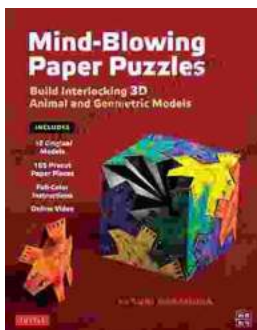


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