

signature of the said Miguel
Ponce and the seal of the said
Supreme Court of

"Peter White"
Canadian Consul General, Lisbon

Lisbon, Portugal,
7 March, 1947.

Summary of
procedure

19.14. The following summary of
practical rules may be of assistance to
assistants to Canadian consular officers:

- a. Whenever the law of the Canadian jurisdiction provides for acceptance in evidence of affidavits, consular officers should attempt to persuade persons seeking authentication to proceed by the means of affidavits sworn before foreign notaries public.
- b. Before authenticating a document, consular officers should check the law of the province where the authentication is to be used (see Annex I).
- c. A consular officer is responsible only for the taking of the affidavit or the preparation of the authentication certificate: it is the responsibility of the person seeking the authentication to present to the consular officer an affidavit ready for completion or a seal and signature which the consul can readily attest.
- d. A record should be kept of all authentications made: the record should contain all details of the authentication, a summary of the purport and purpose of the document and the fees charged.

Seal of office

Used on all
occasions.

19.15. Consular officers are provided with a seal of office. This seal should be affixed on all occasions when a consular officer performs a legal or notarial act or acts as a Commissioner for Oaths, including occasions when a consular officer

- a. completes an affidavit, declaration or affirmation;
- b. attests a will;
- c. authenticates a document either by certificate or affidavit or declaration.