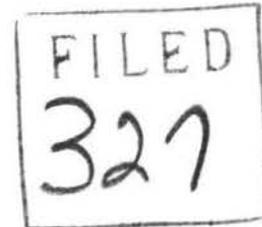


SHERIFFS: Neither the sheriff of a third class county  
ELECTIONS: nor his deputies are required to be present  
VOTING PLACES: at each voting place during the entire election  
day.

OPINION NO. 327

August 1, 1968

Honorable Edison Kaderly  
Prosecuting Attorney  
Barton County Courthouse  
Lamar, Missouri 94759



Dear Mr. Kaderly:

This is in response to your question concerning whether it is necessary for the sheriff of a third class county, or his deputies, to be in continuous presence at each voting precinct all during the election day.

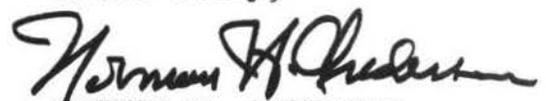
Our review of the law and prior opinions issued by this office indicates that there is no statutory requirement that the sheriff or his deputies be in continuous presence at each voting place, and no such requirement may be reasonably inferred.

CONCLUSION

It is the opinion of this office that neither the sheriff of a third class county nor his deputies are required to be present at each voting place during the entire election day.

The foregoing opinion, which I hereby approve, was prepared by my assistant John C. Klaffenbach.

Yours truly,

  
NORMAN H. ANDERSON  
Attorney General