

**20A-1-605 Mutilating certificate of nomination -- Forging declination or resignation --  
Tampering with ballots.**

- (1) It is unlawful for any person to:
  - (a) falsely mark or willfully deface or destroy:
    - (i) any certificate of nomination or any part of a certificate of nomination; or
    - (ii) any letter of declination or resignation;
  - (b) file any certificate of nomination or letter of declination or resignation knowing it, or any part of it, to be falsely made;
  - (c) suppress any certificate of nomination, or letter of declination or resignation, or any part of a certificate of nomination or letter of declination or resignation that has been legally filed;
  - (d) forge any letter of declination or resignation;
  - (e) falsely make the official endorsement on any ballot;
  - (f) willfully destroy or deface any ballot;
  - (g) willfully delay the delivery of any ballots;
  - (h) examine any ballot offered or cast at the polls or found in any ballot box for any purpose other than to determine which candidate was elected; and
  - (i) make or place any mark or device on any ballot in order to determine the name of any person for whom the elector has voted.
- (2) In addition to the penalties established in Section 20A-1-609, any person convicted of any of the offenses established by this section is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

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