



## The Porosity of the Boundaries of Notarial Work in the Age of “Distance”

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**Abstract:** Since the Covid-19 pandemic, teleworking has become widespread in notary offices which, as small local businesses, were hardly concerned before. Their employees have experimented it during the first containment, during which notaries have partly maintained their activity at a distance. The dynamism of this sector, its liberalization, the dematerialization of activities and the feminized and qualified profile of workers have facilitated the generalization of telework under various statuses (salaried, temporary, self-employed, etc.). This practice has spread at the cost of an increasing porosity of the boundaries of notarial work and of diversified strategies for circumscribing time and space. These strategies vary according to the professions, offices, status, socio-demographic profiles, trajectories, resources and living conditions of the workers concerned, in an environment marked by significant gender hierarchies. The desire to work differently partly motivates this choice of remote work, but also of alternative forms of employment, or even of leaving this sector.

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