

"Government, and the Succession of the Crown in the Heirs of the Princess Sophia, being Protestants, and for extinguishing the hopes of the pretended Prince of Wales, and his open and secret abettors," as altered and explained by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act for altering the Oath of Abjuration and the Assurance, and for amending so much of an Act of the Seventh Year of Her late Majesty Queen Anne, intituled an Act for the improvement of the union of the two Kingdoms, as after the time therein limited requires the delivery of certain Lists and Copies therein mentioned, to persons indicted of High Treason or Misprison of Treason;" or in lieu thereof the Oath required to be taken by an Act passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled "An Act for the Relief of His Majesty's Roman Catholic Subjects," according as the said former Acts, or the said last mentioned Act, shall be applicable to your case: And likewise that you take the usual Oath for the due execution of the Office of Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our said Island and its Dependencies, and for the due and impartial Administration of Justice; which said Oaths the Chief Justice for the time being of Our said Island shall, and he is hereby required to tender and administer unto you.

II.

Oaths of Allegiance to be administered to persons holding offices of trust.

And We do authorize and require you, from time to time, and at any time hereafter, by yourself, or by any other to be authorised by you in that behalf, to administer and give to all and every person or persons as you shall think fit, who shall hold any office or place of trust or profit, or who shall at any time or times pass into Our said Island, or be resident therein, the Oath commonly called the Oath of Allegiance, save only in cases where any other Oath or Oaths is or are prescribed by the Statutes in that behalf made, or by any of these Statutes; in which cases it is Our pleasure, and We do hereby direct, that you do administer to such persons such other Oath or Oaths as aforesaid.

III.

Constitution of Executive Council.

And whereas We have, by Our said Commission appointing you Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief as aforesaid, declared Our pleasure to be, that an Executive Council shall be appointed for assisting you in conducting the Government of Our said Island, and that the said Council shall be constituted in such manner as is in that behalf directed by the Instructions accompanying Our said Commission, or according to such further Powers, Instructions, and Authorities, as shall at any future time be granted and appointed for you in that behalf under Our Sign Manual and Signet: Now We do direct and declare Our pleasure to be, that the said Executive Council shall consist of such persons, not exceeding Seven in number, as you shall from time to time, by Instruments passed under the Public Seal of Our said Island, in Our Name and on Our behalf, nominate and appoint to be Members of the said Council, all which persons shall hold their places in the said Council during Our pleasure.

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