

every sheriff, mayor and chief magistrate shall, and is hereby authorized and empowered to administer. And every affidavit or affirmation so made, certified, and transmitted, shall, in all such actions and suits, be allowed to be of the same force and effect as if the person or persons making the same upon oath or solemn affirmation as aforesaid, had appeared and sworn, or affirmed, the matters contained in such affidavit or affirmation, *viva voce*, in open court, or upon a commission issued for the examination of witnesses, or of any party, in any such action or suit respectively.

Provided, that in every such affidavit and affirmation there shall be expressed the addition of the party making such affidavit or affirmation, and the particular place of his or her abode.

And be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, that in all suits now depending, or hereafter to be brought, in any court of law or equity, by or in behalf of his majesty, his heirs and successors, in any of the said plantations, for or relating to any debt or account, that his majesty, his heirs, and successors, shall and may prove his and their debts and accounts, and examine his
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