

I *A. B.* Secretary or Officer of [*Name of Company or Corporation*] do make Oath, That the Ship or Vessel (*Name*) of (*Port or Place*) whereof (*Master's Name*) is at present Master, being (*Kind of Built, Burthen, etcetera, as described in the Certificate of the Surveying Officer*) was (*when and where built, or if Prize, Capture and Condemnation*) and that the same doth wholly and truly belong to (*Name of Company or Corporation*).

Form of the
Oath.

VI. And whereas by the said Act, passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, it is enacted, That, at the Time of obtaining the Certificate of Registry therein directed, sufficient Security by Bond shall be given to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, by the Master, and such of the Owners as shall personally attend, as is therein required, such Security to be approved of and taken by the Person or Persons therein authorised to make such Registry and to grant a Certificate thereof at the Port or Place in which such Certificate shall be granted, in the Penalties, and on the Conditions, among others in the said Act mentioned, That such Certificate shall not be sold, lent, or otherwise disposed of: And whereas Doubts have arisen, whether such Bond can be legally executed by the Master of the Vessel at any other Port or Place than that at which the Vessel is, by the said Act, required to be registered; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That, from and after the first Day of June One thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs in England for the Time being, or any Four or more of them, or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs in Scotland for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or the Governor, or Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief of the Islands of Guernsey or Jersey, or of the Isle of Man, or of any of the Colonies, Plantations, Islands, or Territories, which now belong, or may hereafter belong or be in the Possession of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Asia, Africa, or

From June 1, 1787, the Commissioners of the Customs, etc. may permit the Bond required on obtaining a Certificate of the Registry of a Vessel, to be executed wherever they think proper.