
B I L L .

[As passed by the Legislative Council.]

An Act to amend the law enabling Married Women to convey their Real Estate within Upper Canada.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the law enabling married women to convey their real estate within Upper Canada, by providing for cases in which informal or erroneous certificates have been indorsed upon Deeds conveying real estate executed by married women jointly with their husbands, as well as for cases in which such Deeds have been executed in presence of and certificates indorsed thereon by non-resident Justices of the Peace, or in which certificates have been endorsed on such Deeds subsequent to the execution thereof: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

1. Whenever any certificate on the back of any Deed heretofore executed by any married woman, pursuant to the Act of the said Parliament of Upper Canada, passed in the first year of the reign of his late Majesty King William the Fourth, chapter two, or pursuant to the Act of the said Parliament of Upper Canada, passed in the second year of Her Majesty's reign, chapter six, has been signed by two Justices of the Peace, such certificate shall be held and is hereby declared to be valid and effectual for all the purposes contemplated by said Acts, although the said Justices were not at the time residents of the District or County in which such married woman resided; and every Deed heretofore executed in the presence of such Justices, and every such certificate so signed shall have the same force, validity and effect as if the said Deed had been executed in the presence of, and such certificate had been signed by two Justices of the Peace of the District or County in which such married woman at the time of the execution thereof resided.

2. When any certificate on the back of any Deed executed by any married woman, pursuant to the said first mentioned Act, shall have been heretofore given on any day subsequent to the execution of the said Deed, such certificate shall be deemed and be taken to have been given on the day on which the said Deed was executed; and such Deed shall be as good and valid in law as if such certificate had been in fact signed on the day of the execution of the Deed to which it relates, as required by the said Act.