

An Act in reference to the qualification of Justices of the Peace.

WHEREAS certain of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in this Province have heretofore, in error, taken and subscribed the oath of Qualification of Justices of the Peace mentioned and set forth in the Third Section of the One Hundredth Chapter of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled: *An Act respecting the Qualification of Justices of the Peace*, before the Clerk of the Peace of the District or County, or before a Commissioner assigned by *Dedimus Potestatem* to administer oaths and declarations, or before some person not being a Justice of the Peace for the District or County for which such Justices intended to act, and it is expedient to confirm such oaths so taken, and to indemnify such Justices from and against all forfeitures, penalties, and proceedings in respect thereof: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

1. For and notwithstanding anything contained in the third section of the one hundredth chapter of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled: *An Act respecting the qualification of Justices of the Peace*, the oath of qualification therein mentioned and set forth may be taken and subscribed before any other Justice of the Peace, or before any person assigned by the Governor to administer oaths and declarations, or before the Clerk of the Peace of the District or County for which such Justices intends to act, and a certificate of such oath having been so taken and subscribed, shall be forthwith deposited by the person who has taken the same at the office of the Clerk of the Peace for the district or county, and shall, by the said clerk, be filed among the records of the Sessions of the said district or county, and this provision shall be construed and have effect as if it had been contained in the Act passed in the sixth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled: *An Act for the qualification of Justices of the Peace*.

2. All oaths of qualification heretofore taken and subscribed by any Justice of the Peace in this Province before the Clerk of the Peace of the District or County for which such justice intends to act, or before a Commissioner assigned by *Dedimus Potestatem*, to administer oaths and declarations, or before any person not being a duly qualified Justice of the Peace for the said District or County, are hereby declared to have been and to be good and valid in Law and Equity to all intents and purposes, and from and after the passing of this Act no civil action

Preamble.

Con. Stat. Can. cap. 110.

Before whom the oath of qualification by Justices of the Peace may be taken.

Such oaths heretofore taken before certain officers, &c., declared to be good and valid in law.