

An Act respecting the Bar of Lower Canada.

WHEREAS it is expedient entirely to repeal the seventy-second Chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, and the Act passed in the twenty-fourth year of Her Majesty's reign, intitled: "An Act to explain certain parts of Chapter seventy-two of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, relating to the admission of Students to the profession of Advocate," and to consolidate into one and the same Act the two above-cited Acts, together with such modifications and amendments as are necessary: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. All Advocates, Barristers, Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors at Law, in Lower Canada, shall form a Corporation, under the name of "The Bar of Lower Canada," which said Corporation shall be divided into four sections,—that is to say: one section for the old district of Montreal; one section for the old district of Quebec; one section for the old district of Three Rivers; and one section for the old district of St. Francis: and the Advocates, Barristers, Attorneys, Solicitors and Proctors at Law, residing in the District of Gaspé, shall form part of the section of the District of Quebec. The Bar incorporated.
2. The names of the members of the said Corporation shall be entered on a general list, which shall be entrusted to the General Council, and the Secretary of each section shall likewise be bound to prepare, without delay, and to continue and keep up a similar list containing the name, christian name and residence, of each such member of his section, and such list shall be posted up in a conspicuous place in the office of the Superior Court in each district. General list of members.
3. The said Corporation may sue and be sued in all Courts of Justice in Lower Canada, may acquire moveable and immoveable property by purchase, donation, bequest or otherwise, to the value of twenty thousand dollars; and each of the sections thereof may sue and be sued separately in any Court of Justice in Lower Canada, under the name of the "Bar of Lower Canada, section of the district of _____" in all matters relating to each such section respectively, and may acquire moveable and immoveable property to the value of twenty-four thousand dollars. Corporation may hold real property, &c.
4. All actions brought by or against any of the said sections respectively, shall only affect the section concerned therein; and in all actions against the said Corporation or against any of the said sections, service of process at the domicile of the Secretary-Treasurer of the General Council hereinafter mentioned, or at the domicile of the Secretary of the Council of the section concerned, as the case may be, shall be valid; Actions against sections.