

certain pro-  
ceedings may  
be witnesses  
by and with  
their own  
consent.

or for the violation of any Municipal By-law, and in all *qui tam* actions for a penalty or forfeiture, the party charged or defendant may, if he desire it, be sworn and examined, and give evidence in like manner as a witness; and if there be more than one party charged, or more than one defendant, the one party or defendant may call any party jointly charged, or any joint defendant, with the consent of the one to be called, to give evidence as aforesaid. 5