

*Statutes of Upper-Canada, Passed in the second session of the fifth provincial parliament (1810). From The Provincial Statutes of Upper-Canada: Revised, Corrected, and Republished (York, R. C. Horne, 1818.)*

50 George III – Chapter 10

**An Act further to extend the benefit of an Act passed in the thirty-seventh year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the more easy Barring of Dower." (Passed 12th March, 1810.)**

Whereas, by an Act passed in the thirty-seventh year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the more easy Barring of Dower," it is enacted that no Release of Dower by any Deed executed in manner therein mentioned, of any Land, Tenements or Hereditaments, shall have any force or effect to Barr the person so entitled to Dower and executing the same, unless such person shall come before His Majesty's Chief Justice of this Province, or one of the Justices of the Court of King's Bench, or shall appear at some General Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the District, in which she shall reside, and shall have been examined by the said Chief Justice, or Justice, or by the Chairman or presiding Magistrate of such Quarter Sessions, touching her consent to be Barred of Dower; and whereas much inconvenience has arisen to His Majesty's Subjects thereby: Be it therefore enacted by the King Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Upper-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec in North America, and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province,'" and by the authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for any person entitled to Dower, to appear before the Judge of the District Court, or the Chairman of the Quarter Sessions of the District in which the party resides, and being privately examined by the said Judge or Chairman, touching her consent to be Barred of Dower; it shall and may be lawful for the said Judge or Chairman to certify the same in like manner as the same may at present be certified by the Chief Justice or any Justice of the Court of King's Bench, and the said certificate shall have the same force and effect, and be as valid in Law as if the person had been examined by the Chief justice, or Justice, or Court of Quarter Sessions, any Law or Usage to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Judge of the District Court, or Chairman aforesaid, or their Clerk respectively, shall be entitled to receive the sum of five shillings for such certificate, and no more.