

*At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on the fifth day of December 1785, in the Twenty Sixth Year of his said Majesty's Reign, and there continued by several Prorogations unto the Fifth Day of March, 1789, in the Twenty Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, being the Fourth Session of the Sixth General Assembly convened in the said Province.*

29 George III – Chapter 9

**An Act, in Amendment of the several Acts passed in the Thirty-second and Thirty-fourth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, and in the First, Fifth and Twelfth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty; relative to the registering of Deeds and Conveyances made of, or which may affect Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments.**

Whereas by the various and secret ways of conveying lands, tenements and hereditaments, ill disposed persons frequently have it in their power to commit frauds, by means whereof bona fide purchasers and mortgagees may (by prior secret conveyances and fraudulent incumbrances) be greatly injured, for remedy whereof,

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, that all deeds and conveyances of lands, tenements or hereditaments made after the first day of June, in this present year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine, shall immediately on the execution thereof be registered in the office of the register or deputy register of the town or district wherein the lands lay, and in case there shall not be a register or deputy register's office in such town or district, then in the register or deputy register's office of the town or district nearest the lands, and within the county; And that every deed or conveyance made after the said first day of June next, shall be adjudged fraudulent and void against any subsequent purchaser or mortgagee for valuable consideration unless such deed or conveyance shall be registered prior to the subsequent purchase and registry thereof.