

Laws of His Majesty's Province of Upper Canada, passed in the year 1822. York: R. C. Horne, 1822.

2 George IV – Chapter 12

An Act to enable persons who have preferred claims to or out of certain Forfeited Estates in this Province to withdraw the same. Passed 17th January, 1822.

Whereas, it is expedient that persons entering and prosecuting Claims under the provisions of an Act passed in the fifty-ninth year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled "*An Act for vesting in Commissioners the Estates of certain Traitors, and also the Estates of persons declared aliens by an Act passed in the fifty-fourth year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled "An Act to declare certain persons therein described Aliens, and to vest their Estates in His Majesty, and for applying the proceeds thereof towards compensating the losses which His Majesty's Subjects have sustained in consequence of the late War, and for ascertaining and satisfying the lawful debts and claims thereupon,"* should be enabled to relinquish or withdraw the same should they wish so to do, Be it therefore enacted by the King's 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, entitled "*An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled "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 it shall and may be lawful for any person or persons who hath or have heretofore entered, or who shall or may hereafter enter any claim or claims against the proceeds of or the absolute estate or inheritance of any lands, tenements or hereditaments vested or to be vested in the said Commissioners, by virtue of the said last mentioned Act, whither any decree may have passed upon the same or not, to relinquish or withdraw such claim or claims at any time during the continuance of the commission appointed under the said Act, upon signifying his, her or their intention and desire so to do, to the said Commissioners or the majority of them, by an instrument in writing, signed by such claimant or Claimants respectively, in presence of two subscribing witnesses and that upon receipt thereof, it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners or the majority of them, to discharge such claim or claims, and reverse any decree they may have passed in favor of such Claimant so relinquishing his, or her claim, after which, the Estate or Property thereby claimed, shall be and remain vested in the said Commissioners for the purposes in the said Act specified, in like manner and as fully to all intents and purposes as if no claim or claims had been exhibited against the same, any thing in the said Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.