

Laws of His Majesty's Province of Upper Canada, passed in the year 1833. York: Robert Stanton, 1833.

3 William IV – Chapter 10

An Act to afford greater facility in barring the right of Dower. Passed 13th February, 1833.

Whereas it is expedient to afford greater facilities to married women to bar their claim to Dower of and in any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which their husbands may be about to depart with: 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 from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for any person or persons, resident within this Province, entitled to Dower of and in any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to appear before any two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, of the District wherein such person or persons may be resident, and acknowledge her consent to be barred of her right of Dower, of, in and to any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments within this Province, which two Justices shall have power and authority to grant a Certificate to the following effect:

We, A. B. and C. D. of the District of ____, in the Province of Upper Canada, Esquires, two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said District, do certify that E. F. wife of G. F. personally, appeared before us, and being duly examined by us, touching her consent to be barred of her right of Dower, of and in the Lands in the within Deed mentioned, it did appear to us that the said E. F. did give her consent thereto, freely and voluntarily, without coercion, or fear of coercion on the part of her husband or any other person whomsoever.

Dated at ____.

A. B. C. D., J. P.

Which Certificate shall have the same force and be as valid as if the same had been made and certified under the provisions of an Act passed in the Thirty-seventh year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled "*An Act for the more easy barring of Dower.*"

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said Justices shall be entitled to receive the sum of Two Shillings and Six Pence, for granting the Certificate authorised by this Act.