

Laws of His Majesty's Province of Upper Canada, passed in the year 1836. Toronto: Robert Stanton, 1836.

6 William IV – Chapter 25 (Session 1)

An Act for the relief of William Conway Keele. Passed 20th April, 1836.

Whereas an Act was passed in the second year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled "*An Act to repeal part of and amend an Act passed in the thirty-seventh year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled 'An Act for the better regulating the Practice of the Law, and to extend the provisions of the same:'*" And whereas, it is among other things enacted, that from and after the passing of the said Act, no person shall be admitted by the Court of King's Bench to practice as an Attorney in this Province unless upon an actual service, under articles for five years, with some practising Attorney in this Province: And whereas, it appears by the petition of William Conway Keele, a native of England, now resident in this Province, and by certificates and documents produced in support thereof, that he was admitted an Attorney of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench in England in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty; and also that he came into this Province in the hope of being allowed to practise his profession of the Law, and without knowing that any Provincial enactment existed to the contrary, and that he has been actively engaged as the Chief or Managing Clerk in the Office of His Majesty's Attorney General in this Province ever since the sixth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, but not under any written articles, and that he was desirous of practising the Law in this Province at the expiration of such further period of time, to be computed from the said sixth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, and under such terms and conditions as might be deemed requisite: 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 anything in the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding, the Court of King's Bench may at its discretion admit the said William Conway Keele to practise as an Attorney in this Province, upon his proving to the satisfaction of the said Court that he has hereafter served under articles of Clerkship with some practising Attorney in this Province, for and during such period of time as shall from and after the passing of this Act, make up the full period of five years required by law, to be computed from the said sixth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, and that such service shall to all intents and purposes be deemed an actual and sufficient service, in compliance with the said Act, as if the said William Conway Keele had during the whole of the said period of five years been actually serving under articles of Clerkship.