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Laws of Her Majesty's Province of United Canada, passed in the year 1856. Quebec: Stewart Derbishire and George Desbarts, 1856.

20 Victoria – Chapter 56

An Act to facilitate the Examination of Candidates for admission to the Notarial Profession in Lower Canada. Assented to 19th June, 1856.

Whereas great inconvenience and useless expense are occasioned to candidates for admission to practise as Notaries in Lower Canada, from the fact of their Articles of Clerkship frequently expiring a few days only after the meeting of the Board of Notaries of their District, thereby obliging them to wait for a period of three or four months after the expiration of their term of service in order to present themselves for examination, and also from the fact that many students have neglected to enregister the transfers of their Articles within the period required by Law: Therefore, Her Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

- I. Notwithstanding any thing contained in the Act of the tenth and eleventh years of Her Majesty's Reign, chaptered twenty-one, any candidate may present himself for examination and admission to the Notarial Profession, in conformity with the law, at the regular and ordinary meeting of the Board of Notaries which shall be held within the shortest period from the expiration of his Articles of Clerkship, whether such meeting takes place before or after the expiration of the said Articles of Clerkship: Provided always, that no candidate shall' if the Board of Notaries agree thereto, be excluded from permission to present himself for examination in order to admission to the Notarial Profession, at any extraordinary or special meeting of the Board, which in the opinion of the said Board will be the nearest in date to the expiration of the Articles of Clerkship, whether the said extraordinary or special meeting takes place previous to or after such expiration.
- II. Any deposit and registration made by any Notarial Student within the six months next after the passing of this Act, of an authentic copy of the transfer or transfers of his Articles which may have been executed before this Act shall come into force, shall be as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes as though such deposit had been made within the period prescribed by the Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's reign, and chaptered forty-seven.