

Authority or Colour of the Office or Deputation which ought to be forfeited, or not occupied, or not enjoyed by the Person so offending, as is aforesaid, after the said Offence so by such Person committed or done, and before such Person so offending, for the same Offence, be removed from the Exercise, Administration and Occupation of the said Office or Deputation, shall be and remain good and sufficient in Law, to all Intents, Constructions, and Purposes, in such like Manner and Form as the same should, or ought to have remained and been, if this Act had never been made.

And be it further enacted, That every Person who shall be nominated, elected or appointed to the Office of Chancellor, or Keeper of the Great Seal, Secretary, Commissary General, Register of the Land-Office, or by whatever other Denomination the Person or Persons shall be called to whom the said Office and Perquisites shall be committed, County Clerks, Sheriffs, Surveyor-General and his Deputies, Judge of the Admiralty Court, Examiner-General and Naval Officer, before he shall enter upon the Execution of the said Office, shall, before a Provincial or County Justice, take the following Oath, to wit: "I, A.B. do swear, that I have not given or paid, nor will I give or pay, any Sum or Sums of Money, or other Reward whatsoever, other than the lawful Fees, nor have given any Bond, or other Assurance, to pay any Money, Fee or Profit, directly or indirectly, to any Person or Persons whomsoever, for the Nomination or Appointment of me to the Office of _____ nor hath any other Person, with my Consent, or to my Knowledge or privity, paid, or given any Sum or Sums of Money, or other Reward whatsoever, nor given any Bond or other Assurance or Promise, to pay any Money, Fee or Profit, directly or indirectly, to any Person or Persons whomsoever, for the Nomination or Appointment of me to the said Office. So help me God," under the Penalty of One Thousand Pounds Sterling, to be recovered with Costs, in the Name of the Lord Proprietary, and the Informer by Action of Debt founded on this Act, in which it shall be sufficient to alledge, that the Defendant is indebted in the aforesaid Sum of Money, whereby Action accrued according to the Form of this Act of Assembly, without setting forth the Special Matter, provided a short Note, expressing the Cause of Action, be lodged in the Office at the Time of issuing the Writ, One Half to the Informer, and the other Half to be paid to the Sheriff of the County in which the Recovery shall happen, to be by him paid to the Commissioners for emitting Bills of Credit for the Use of the Publick of this Province; and in Case there shall be no Informer, the said Penalty may be recovered by Indictment, and paid in the Manner, and to such Persons as aforesaid, for the Use of the Publick. And the Justice or Justices, before whom such Oath shall be taken, shall give a Certificate thereof under his Hand, which Certificate shall be entered in the Records of the Provincial