

this Court according to your Learning & discretion So help you God.” And be it further Enacted by the Authority advice and Consent aforesaid that any person or persons Inhabitants of this province who from and after the End of this present Sessions of Assembly shall have occasion to advise with any Attorney or Attorneys Councillor or Councillors in the Law whatsoever or to Commence prosecute or implead any person or persons whatsoever in any Action or Actions or to defend him her or themselves from any Action or other process whatsoever before any Court or Courts Jurisdiction or Jurisdictions of this province the plaintiff at the return of such writt shall be obliged to take the following Oath or Affirmation (if a Quaker) prescribed by this Act before the Court to which such writt is returnable or before some Justice of the peace for the said County or the County Court where such Plantiffe doth reside and to return a Certificate of the same to the said Court and in Default thereof shall suffer a non suit if the Defendant appears or if no appearance it shall and may be lawfull for such Court to discontinue the process And in Case the Defendant on the return of such writt if he shall appear doth not take the same Oath before the Court or produce a Certificate of his having so done before some Magistrate as aforesaid the Plantiffe having complied with his part it shall and may be lawfull for the Justices of the Several Courts within this province on the Plantiffe his makeing appear his Claim to give Judgment against such Defendant as by Default for such Debt Damages and Costs as to them shall seem meet. Oath of Plantiffe and Defendant. “ You A. B. do swear that you have not given caused to be given or paid nor will Give cause to be Given or pay either directly or indirectly unto your Attorney or Attorneys Councillors or Advisers in the Cause now depending in the Court between you and C. D. or to any other person whatsoever for the use of your s^d Attorney or Attorneys Counsellors or advisers any other or larger fee or fees Gratuity or Reward either for Advice in the said Action or any other Services thereto relating than they are allowed to take by an Act of Assembly Entituled an Act to restrain the Evil practices of Attorneys and to prevent their taking money fees and to Ascertain what fees shall be allowed to practitioners in the Law who shall attend the Circuit Courts according to the best of your knowledge So help You God ”

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A Certificate of such person or persons having taken such Oath or Oaths or Affirmation (if a Quaker) or Plantiffe or Defendant the Magistrate before whom such Oath or Oaths or Affirmation (if a Quaker) shall be taken is hereby required to transmitt to the Sheriff of the County who is hereby Commanded at the time of the return of his writts to deliver the said Certificate or Certificates to the Clerk of the County to be presented to the Justices who are hereby required to