

all such persons shall be answerable for the same in such manner as they were before the Passing this Act

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Provided always and be it Enacted that notwithstanding the discharge of the said Thomas Weems all and every debt or debts due and owing from him and all and every Judgment had or decree Obtained against him shall stand and be good and effectual in Law to all intents and purposes against the Lands Tenements and Hereditaments Goods and Chattels of him the said Thomas Weems and which he or any other Person in trust for the use of him the said Thomas Weems had at the time of the discharge of the said Thomas Weems or which he at any time hereafter shall or may be any ways seized or Possessed of or interested in to his own use or in his own proper Right either in Law or equity (except the Wearing apparel of him not exceeding the sum of Ten Pounds Current Money) and it shall and may be Lawful for any of his Creditors their Executors Administrators or Assigns to take out new Execution or Executions without any Scire facias Previous thereto against the Lands Tenements or other Hereditaments Goods and Chattels of the said Thomas Weems (except as before excepted) for the Satisfaction of his her or their Debts in such sort manner and Form as he she or they might have done if the said Thomas Weems had not been taken in Execution or discharged by virtue of this Act

[Proviso.]

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that if any Action of Escape be brought against the said Sheriff or any suit or Action against any Justice or Justices for their Performing their Duty in pursuance of this Act he or they may Plead the General issue and give this Act and the Special matter in Evidence and if the Plaintiff be nonsuit or discontinue his Action or Verdict pass against such Plaintiff or Judgment upon Demurer the Defendant shall have and Recover Double Costs Provided also that nothing in this Act shall extend or be construed to extend or bar any Creditor or Creditors of the Before mentioned Thomas Weems from having and maintaining any Action of Escape against any Sheriff who hath Permitted any Escape before the making this Act

[Actions of  
Escape  
brought  
against the  
Sheriff or  
Justices,  
may plead  
the general  
Issue, &c.]

[Proviso as  
to any  
former  
Escape, and  
also in case  
of Perjury.]

Provided Nevertheless that in case the said Thomas Weems shall at any time after making such Oath as aforesaid be convict of Wilful and corrupt Purjury thereupon or of a Wilful Breach or non compliance with the Tenor of such Oath as aforesaid that then the said Thomas Weems shall upon such Conviction as aforesaid be wholly deprived of any benefit intended to him by this Act and shall from thenceforth be liable to be prosecuted for any Debt or Demands whatsoever in the same manner as if this Act had never been made anything to the Contrary Notwithstanding

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Provided also that the sheriff of the County aforesaid shall be first paid and satisfied for his imprisonment fees before any Creditor

[The Sheriff  
to be first  
paid.]