

C H A P.

I.  
An attested  
Copy to be  
Evidence.

VI. **And be it likewise Enacted**, That a Copy of such Record, duly attested under the Seal of such Office, shall, at all Times hereafter, be deemed to all Intents and Purposes, good Evidence to prove such Freedom.

This Act to  
be given in  
Charge to the  
Grand Jury,  
every March  
Court.

VII. **And to the End** that this Act may be duly observed, the Justices of every County Court within this Province respectively, shall, at their respective County Courts to be held in *March* yearly, give in Charge to the respective Grand Juries of each respective County, to Enquire into any Breaches made contrary to this Act,

Duration.

VIII. This Act to continue for Three Years, and unto the End of the next Session of Assembly which shall happen after the Expiration of the said Three Years.

*Examined and Compared with the Original Act,* REVERDY GHISELIN,  
THOMAS BACON.

Continued by 1755, *ch. 5*; and 1758, *ch. 9*, for 7 Years, &c.

C H A P. II.

Passed 23<sup>d</sup>  
June 1752.

*An Act directing the Manner of Punishing Fornication and Adultery, before a single Justice of the Peace, out of Court. Lib. B.L.C. fol. 557. EXP.*

To continue for 3 Years, from the 1<sup>st</sup> October next, &c. It was farther continued for 3 Years, &c. by 1756, *ch. 10*; and expired in *April 1760*.

C H A P. III.

Ditto.

\* 1715, *ch. 39*.

An Additional and Supplementary ACT to the Act, entitled, \* An Act for the better Administration of Justice in Testamentary Affairs, Granting Administrations, Recovery of Legacies, Securing Filial Portions, and Distribution of Intestates Estates. *Lib. B.L.C. fol. 559.*

Preamble.

**W**HEREAS it hath been a Doubt, whether Persons chosen by Orphans of the Age of Fourteen Years, or upwards, to be Guardians to such Orphans, are by Law obliged by the said Act to give Security, upon their Acceptance of the Guardianship, to pay and deliver unto such Orphans, their Estates, at their respective Ages, when by Law they shall be entitled to receive the same: For Removal of which Doubt;

Guardians  
chosen by Or-  
phans, shall  
give Security  
according to  
the Directions  
of 1715,  
*ch. 39*.

II. **Be it Enacted**, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's President, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That the several and respective County Courts within this Province, may and shall, and they are hereby impowered and directed, upon the Choice of any Guardian or Guardians by any Orphan or Orphans, who shall be of Age to choose their Guardians, to cause such Guardian or Guardians, upon their Acceptance of the Guardianship, to enter into Bond, with two sufficient Sureties, in the Names of the Orphans themselves, for the Securing and Delivering the Estates of such Orphans which shall come to their Hands and Possession, to the said Orphans, their Executors or Administrators, when thereunto lawfully called, according to the Rules and Directions of the said Act.

Whereupon  
the County  
Court shall  
give Order  
for delivering  
the Estate in-  
to their  
Hands.

III. **And be it further Enacted**, by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That upon such Security being given, the Court before whom the same shall be given, shall make an Order for the Delivering and Paying the Estate of such Orphan into the Hands of such Guardian; and that no Executor, Administrator, or former Guardian, shall pay or deliver unto such Guardian so chosen, the Estate of such Orphan in his, her, or their Hands being, until such Guardian so chosen, shall have entered into Bond, according to the Directions of this Act, and shall have delivered unto such Executor, Administrator, or former Guardian, a Copy of such Order, under the Hand of the Clerk of such Court.

IV. And