

38. Where any deed, bond, bill, note or other instrument of writing hath been executed in any other of the United States or in any foreign country, and to give validity to which recording or registering is not made necessary, proof of the execution of such deed, bond, bill, note, or other instrument of writing by the oath of the subscribing witnesses to the same, or any of them, taken before a commissioner of this state to take acknowledgment of deeds, or before any court, judge or justice, or other officer of the state or country where such deed, bond, bill or instrument hath been executed, having authority by law to administer an oath, and a certificate under seal from the governor, chief magistrate or a notary public of such state or country, that the court or officer before whom such oath was taken had authority to administer an oath, and that such oath hath been duly made before such court, judge, justice or other officer, or if proved before the commissioner or notary public aforesaid, the same to be certified under his official seal, shall be good and sufficient evidence in any court of this state to prove such deed, bond, bill, note or other instrument.

Sufficient evidence.

58. Copies of any record in the custody of any of the clerks of the courts of law or equity, or register of wills, certified by such clerk or register, under the seal of his office, shall be evidence; and all judgments and decrees, deeds and other papers and proceedings required by law to be recorded, shall be considered records within the meaning of this section. Short copies of judgments or decrees, rendered by any court of record of this state, certified by the clerk under the seal of the court, with the docket entries, shall be admissible evidence in any other court in this state, to prove the recovery of such judgment or decree; and it shall not be necessary to produce a full exemplified copy of the record in order to prove such judgment or decree.

Admissible evidence.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the following section, providing an additional mode of taking the depositions of non-resident witnesses to be added to said article thirty-seven to come in after section sixteen and to read as follows :

Additional section.