

conveyed, by and from the Day of the enrollment of the same, and not from the Day of the Date thereof, and shall at all Times be construed and taken more favourably and beneficially for the Benefit and Advantage of the Grantee or Grantees, and more strongly for the Barring the Grantors therein to be named, and according to such Intent as by the Words thereof shall appear to have been the true Intent of the Parties thereunto, altho' the same be not so firmly drawn as is used in *England*, where the Advice of Council learned in the Law may be easily had.

And be construed in favour of the Vendee,

Tho' not so firmly drawn as in *England*.

Provided always, That if any *Feme Covert* be named as a Grantor in any such Writing Indented, the same shall not be in Force to debar her or her Heirs, except upon her Acknowledgment of the same, and the Person or Persons taking such her Acknowledgment. shall examine her privately, out of the Hearing of her Husband, *Whether she doth make her acknowledgment of the same, willingly and freely, and without being induced thereto by Fears or Threats of, or ill Usage by her Husband, or Fear of his Displeasure?* And that the Person or Persons so examining her, shall in a Note or Certificate of the taking the said Acknowledgment, Certify her Examination, and Acknowledgment thereupon; and that such Certificate be likewise enrolled upon Record; in which Case, and by such Acknowledgments and Certificates, *Feme Coverts* shall be barred, and not otherwise; and shall also be barred of their Dower, by such like Acknowledgment where they have only a Right of Dower in the Estate conveyed, altho' not named in the Deed thereof, any Thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Proviso for *Feme Covert*. How to be Examined.

And Barrd of *Estate & Dower*

Provided always, And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, That where any Acknowledgment or Acknowledgments of any Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances, by them that had right to grant, bargain and sell any Mannors, Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments within this Province, have been made during the continuance of any the former recited Acts of Assembly, before one Justice of the Provincial Court, or before one or two of the Council, and enrolled, according to the Direction of the former Acts, shall be good and effectual in the Law, to all Intents constructions and purposes whatsoever, any thing in this Act contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

Acknowledgments before one Provincial Justice or one or two of the Council confirmed

An Act providing what shall be good Evidence to prove Forreign and other Debts, and to prevent Vexatious and unnecessary Suits at Law, pleading Discounts in Bar.

BE it Enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty's Governour Council and Assembly of this Province and the Authority of the same, That all Debts of Record, whether by Judgment, Recognizance, Deed enrolled and upon Record, the Exemplification thereof under the Seals of the Courts where the said Judgment was given, or was Recorded shall be a sufficient Evidence to prove the same. And that all other Debts by Bonds, Bills,

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