

Oath of an Attorney.

YOU A. B. shall swear, you will do no Falshood nor Deceit, nor consent to any to be done in this Court; and if you know of any to be done, you shall give Knowledge thereof to this Court, that it may be reformed. You shall delay no Man, for Lucre or Malice. You shall not wittingly or willingly (except in Capital Cases) receive any other Fees, Gifts, Gratuities, or Rewards whatsoever, by your self, or any other Person, than what are established and enumerated in an Act of Assembly, Intituled, An Act to ascertain the Fees of Practitioners of the Law within this Province, and to prevent Extortions, Frauds, and Abuses therein, either as an Attorney, Chamber Counsellour, Counsellour at Law, Barrister, or under any other Denomination of the Law whatsoever, for advising, titling, drawing Declaration, pleading General or special Retainer, or any other Service in the Law done, had, or advised to be done, or had, or thereto in any-wise relating, in any of the Courts of Record, Court of Chancery, or other Court or Jurisdiction, established in this Province; but in all Things be conformable to the Act aforesaid. You shall plead no Foreign Plea, to hurt any Man, but such as shall stand with the Order of the Law, and your Conscience. You shall not wittingly nor willingly sue, nor procure to be sued, any false suit, nor give aid or Consent to the same, on Pain of being expelled from the Court for Ever. And further, you shall use and demean your self in the Office of an Attorney within this Court, according to your Learning and 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 Session of Assembly, shall have Occasion to prosecute or implead any Person or Persons whatsoever, in any Action or Suit, or to defend him, her, or themselves from any Action or Suit whatsoever, before any Court or Jurisdiction of this Province, the Plaintiff, at the Return of such Writ, or before Trial of the said Cause, shall be obliged to take the following Oath, (or Affirmation if a Quaker) prescribed by this Act, before the Court to which such Writ is returnable, or before some Justice of the Provincial Court, or of the Peace, for the County where the Action is depending, or the County where such Plaintiff doth reside, and to return a Certificate of the same to the said Court; and in Default thereof, shall suffer a Nonsuit, if the Defendant appears, and takes the said Oath, or returns a Certificate thereof. And in Case the Defendant, on the Return of such Writ, if he shall appear, or before Trial of such Cause, doth not take the same Oath before the Court, or produce a Certificate of his having so done, before some Magistrate as aforesaid, the Plaintiff having complied with his Part, it shall and may be lawful for the Judges or Justices of the several Courts within this Province, on the Plaintiff his making 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 Plaintiff and Defendant.

YOU A. B. do swear, That you have not given, caused to be given, or paid, nor will wittingly, willingly, or designedly give, cause to be given,