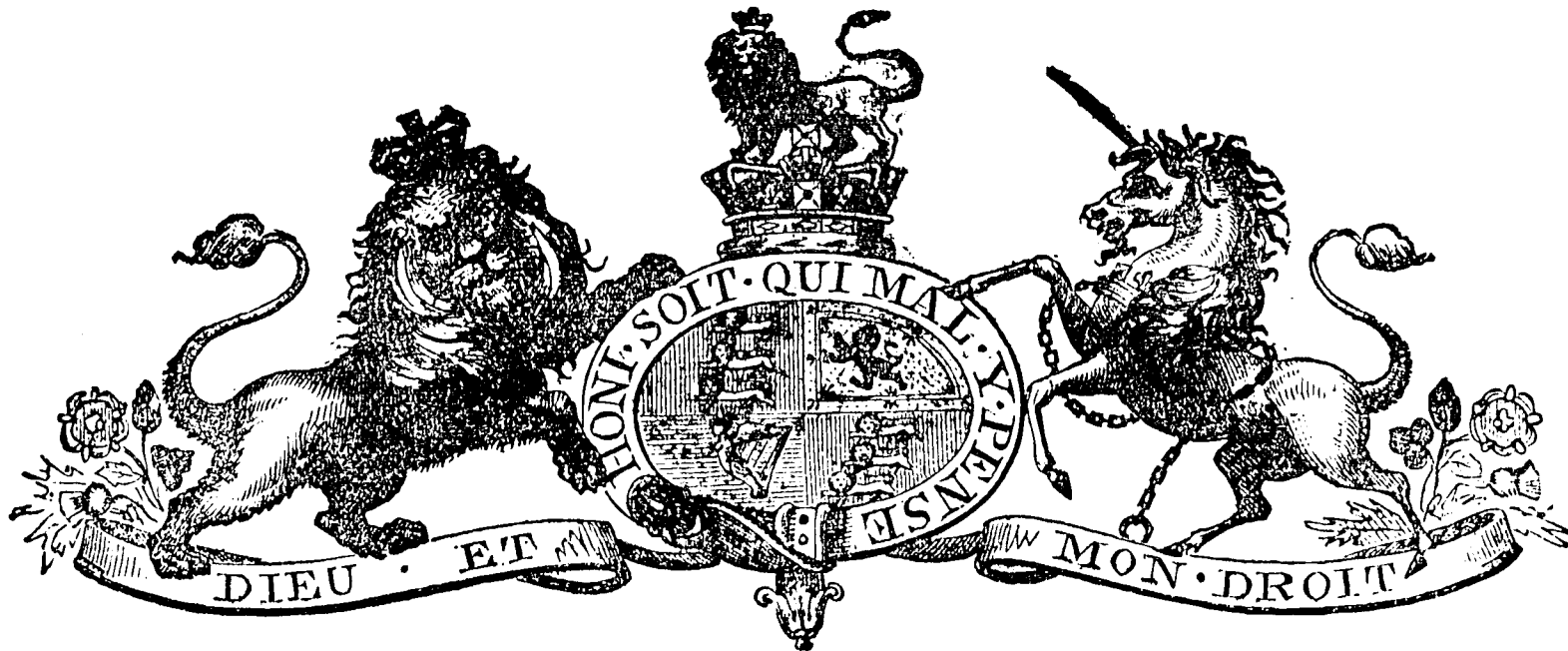


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No. DCCCCVII.

An Act to remove doubts and to facilitate the prompt disposal of business in County Courts and for other purposes. [16th December 1886.]

WHEREAS doubts exist as to the exercise of the jurisdiction of County Courts by two Judges holding separate courts concurrently at the same place, and it is expedient to remove such doubts and to confirm the appointment of Judges of County Courts to act temporarily or during pleasure: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Victoria in this present Parliament assembled and by authority of the same as follows (that is to say):--

1. Whenever and as often as it appears to a law officer or to the Minister of Justice desirable for the more speedy disposal of business that two Judges of County Courts should hold courts or sit in chambers concurrently for the disposal of business at the same place, it shall be lawful for any two Judges of County Courts upon the request in writing of a law officer or of the Minister of Justice to hold courts and to sit in chambers at the same place and to exercise all or any of the jurisdictions of County Courts or of Judges of County Courts in relation to all or any business disposable at such place either concurrently or at such times as may be convenient for the disposal of such business, and the provisions of this section shall apply equally to any Deputy-Judge or Judges of County Courts as to any Judges of County Courts.

Two Judges or Deputy-Judges may sit at same place concurrently.

2. All

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Appointment of  
Judges temporarily  
or during pleasure  
valid.

2. All commissions of appointment of duly-qualified persons as Judges of County Courts or as Deputy-Judges, to hold office or to act temporarily or during pleasure made at any time during the continuance of this Act, shall be and shall be held in all courts to be and to have been valid and effectual notwithstanding any existing Act or law to the contrary.

Duration of Act.

3. This Act shall take effect and shall be deemed to have been in force and to have taken effect from the first day of the present Session of Parliament, and shall continue in force until the end of the next Session of Parliament.

Judge of County  
Court and Deputy  
to reside in district  
when necessary.

4. Every Judge of a County Court or Deputy-Judge shall reside in his district whenever a Law Officer or Minister of Justice shall consider it necessary in the public interest that he shall do so.

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