

Act of Settlement (1700)

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III Further Provisions for securing the Religion, Laws, and Liberties of these Realms.

And whereas it is requisite and necessary that some further Provision be made for securing our Religion Laws and Liberties from and after the Death of His Majesty and the Princess Ann of Denmark and in default of Issue of the Body of the said Princess and of His Majesty respectively Be it enacted by the Kings most Excellent Majesty by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spirituall and Temporall and Commons in Parliament assembled and by the Authority of the same

That whosoever shall hereafter come to the Possession of this Crown shall joyn in Communion with the Church of England as by Law established

That in case the Crown and Imperiall Dignity of this Realm shall hereafter come to any Person not being a Native of this Kingdom of England this Nation be not obliged to ingage in any Warr for the Defence of any Dominions or Territories which do not belong to the Crown of England without the Consent of Parliament.

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[F2] That after the said Limitation shall take Effect as aforesaid no Person born out of the Kingdoms of England Scotland or Ireland or the Dominions thereunto belonging (although he be F3... made a Denizen (except such as [X1] are] born of English Parents) shall be capable to be of the Privy Councill or a Member of either House of Parliament or to enjoy any Office or Place of Trust either Civill or Military or to have any Grant of Lands Tenements or Hereditaments from the Crown to himself or to any other or others in Trust for him]

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That no Pardon under the Great Seal of England be pleadable to an Impeachment by the Commons in Parliament.

Editorial Information

Textual Amendments

- F1 Words repealed by the Act 4 & 5 Ann. c. 20, s. 27 and the Act 1 Geo. 1 St. 2 c. 51
- **F2** Words repealed, so far as they relate to British subjects and citizens of Eire, by British Nationality Act 1948 (c. 56), **Sch. 4 Pt. I**
- F3 Words repealed by British Nationality and Status of Aliens Act 1914 (c. 17), Sch. 3
- F4 Words repealed by the Act 4 & 5 Ann. c. 20, s. 28, (E.W.) by Statute Law Revision and Civil Procedure Act 1881 (c. 59), Sch. and (N.I.) by Statute Law Revision Act 1950 (c. 6), Sch. 1

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 S. 3 excluded by Army Act 1955 (c. 18), s. 21(4), Air Force Act 1955 (c. 19), s. 21(4), Aliens' Employment Act 1955 (4 & 5 Eliz. 2 c. 18), s. 1(1), Army and Air Force Act 1961 (c. 52), s. 36(1), Armed Forces Act 1966 (c. 45), s. 16(1) and Solicitors Act 1974 (c. 47), s. 29; applied by Regency Act 1937 (c. 16), s. 3(2)
- C2 S. 3 modified by British Nationality Act 1981 (c. 61, SIF 87), Sch. 7 (which affecting provision is repealed for specified purposes (1.1.2007 for E.W.S. and 1.7.2008 for N.I.) by Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22), ss. 18(7), 74(2), 77, Sch. 2; S.I. 2006/3412, art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 14(e) (cc)(iv) (subject to art. 6, Sch. 2); S.I. 2008/1316, arts. 2(2), 4(aa)(i); as explained by Constitutional Reform and Governance Act 2010 (c. 25), ss. 47, 52)
 - S. 3 excluded by S.I. 1991/1221, art. 3
 - S. 3 excluded (28.5.1998) by 1998 c. 12, s. 4(4); S.I. 1998/1313, art. 2
 - S. 3 excluded (1.12.1998) by 1998 c. 38, s. 13(2) (with ss. 139(2), 143(2)); S.I. 1998/2789, art. 2
 - S. 3 restricted (1.7.1999) by 1998 c. 46, s. 16(2); S.I. 1998/3178, art. 2
 - S. 3 excluded (2.12.1999) by 1998 c. 47, s. 36(7) (with s. 95); S.I. 1999/3209, art. 2, Sch.
- C3 S. 3 excluded (1.9.2004) by Courts Act 2003 (c. 39), ss. 6, 110, Sch. 2 para. 14(a); S.I. 2004/2066, art. 2(a)
- C4 S. 3 excluded (20.11.2003) by Courts Act 2003 (c. 39), s. 42
- C5 S. 3 modified (1.1.2007 for E.W.S., 1.7.2008 for N.I.) by Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22), ss. 18(1)-(3), 77; S.I. 2006/3412, art. 3, Sch. 1 para. 14(e) (with Sch. 2); S.I. 2008/1316, arts. 2(2), 4(b)
- C6 S. 3 restricted (28.3.2009 for specified purposes, otherwise 31.10.2009) by Armed Forces Act 2006 (c. 52), ss. 340(4), 383; S.I. 2009/812, art. 3 (with transitional provisions in S.I. 2009/1059); S.I. 2009/1167, art. 4

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Act of Settlement (1700), Section III.