



# Commissioners for Oaths Act 1891

## 1891 CHAPTER 50

An Act to amend the Commissioners for Oaths Act, 1889.

[5th August 1891]

WHEREAS doubts have been entertained whether the powers to administer oaths and take affidavits conferred on a commissioner for oaths by the Commissioners for Oaths Act, 1889, extend to oaths and affidavits required by special provisions to be made before a justice of the peace, or any particular person or officer, and it is expedient to remove such doubts :

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

**1 Affidavit, &c. may be made before commissioner at any place.**

Where by or under the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1854 to 1889, or the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876, or the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Acts, 1883 to 1888, or the Pawnbrokers Act, 1872, or Acts amending the same respectively, any oath or affidavit is required to be taken or made before any particular person or officer, whether having special authority or otherwise, and whether at any particular place, or within any specified limits or otherwise, such oath or affidavit may be taken or made before a commissioner for oaths, at any place, and shall be as effectual to all intents and purposes as if taken or made before such person or officer, and at any particular place or within specified limits.

**2 Amendment of 52 & 53 Vict. c.10 s.6 as to acting consular agent.**

In section six of the Commissioners for Oaths Act, 1889, after the words " consular agent " shall be inserted the words " acting consul general, acting vice-consul, and acting consular agent. "

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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### **3 Construction and short title.**

This Act shall be read with the Commissioners for Oaths Act, 1889, and may be cited as the Commissioners for Oaths Act, 1891, and the Commissioners for Oaths Act, 1889, and this Act may be cited together as the Commissioners for Oaths Acts, 1889 and 1891.