



# Privy Council Registrar Act 1853

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An Act for removing Doubts as to the Powers of the Registrar of Her Majesty's Privy Council to administer Oaths, and for providing for the Performance of the Duties of such Registrar in his Absence. [20th August 1853]

## Textual Amendments

- F1 Short title given by [Short Titles Act 1896 \(c. 14\)](#)
- F2 Preamble (which recites [Judicial Committee Act 1833 \(c. 41\)](#)) omitted under authority of [Statute Law Revision Act 1892 \(c. 19\)](#)

## 1 Registrar, may examine witnesses upon oath.

It shall be lawful for the registrar for the time being of Her Majesty's Privy Council appointed under the said Act, or such other person or persons as shall be appointed for this purpose by Her Majesty in Council or by the said Judicial Committee, to examine witnesses and take affidavits and depositions upon oath in all appeals, causes, and matters whatsoever pending before Her Majesty in Council or before the said Judicial Committee, and to administer oaths accordingly.

## 2 President of the Council may appoint a person to act for registrar in his absence.

In case of the absence of the said registrar it shall be lawful for the President of Her Majesty's Privy Council [<sup>F3</sup>, after consulting the President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom,]<sup>F3</sup> to appoint a person to act for the said registrar during such absence; and such person while so acting shall have the same powers in all respects as are vested in the said registrar.

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*Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Privy Council Registrar Act 1853. (See end of Document for details)*

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**Textual Amendments**

- F3** Words in s. 2 inserted (1.10.2009) by [Constitutional Reform Act 2005 \(c. 4\)](#), ss. 138, 148(1), [Sch. 16 para. 6](#); S.I. 2009/1604, [art. 2\(c\)\(d\)](#)

**3 Saving of the existing powers of Her Majesty, Her Council and the Judicial Committee.**

Nothing herein contained shall be taken to affect the power of Her Majesty under the said Act or otherwise, to direct or limit the duties to be performed by the said registrar, or any other authority which might have been exercised by Her Majesty or by her Privy Council or the said Judicial Committee in case this Act had not been passed.

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There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Privy Council Registrar Act 1853.