



# Forgery Act 1861

## 1861 CHAPTER 98

*As to forging Registers of Deeds :—*

### **31 Forgery as to the Registry of Deeds.**

Whosoever shall forge or fraudulently alter, or shall offer, utter, dispose of, or put off, knowing the same to be forged or fraudulently altered, any Memorial, Affidavit, Affirmation, Entry, Certificate, Indorsement, Document, or Writing, made or issued under the Provisions of any Act passed or hereafter to be passed for or relating to the Registry of Deeds, or shall forge or counterfeit the Seal of or belonging to any Office for the Registry of Deeds, or any Stamp or Impression of any such Seal; or shall forge any Name, Handwriting, or Signature purporting to be the Name, Handwriting, or Signature of any Person to any such Memorial, Affidavit, Affirmation, Entry, Certificate, Indorsement, Document, or Writing which shall be required or directed to be signed by or by virtue of any Act passed or to be passed, or shall offer, utter, dispose of, or put off any such Memorial or other Writing as in this Section before mentioned, having thereon any such forged Stamp or Impression of any such Seal, or any such forged Name, Handwriting, or Signature, knowing the same to be forged, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be kept in Penal Servitude for any Term not exceeding Fourteen Years and not less than Three Years,—or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two Years, with or without Hard Labour, and with or without Solitary Confinement.