

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PUBLIC ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE,

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Chapter 279.

AN ADDITIONAL ACT regulating the admission of Attorneys.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That any citizen of this State, of good moral character, who is well disposed towards the government and constitution of this State, on producing to the Court of Common Pleas, a certificate of his suitable literary, scientific and legal attainments, to commence the practice of law, from under the hands of a Committee of the Bar, to be appointed as is hereinafter provided, and on paying the duties and taking and subscribing the oaths or affirmations as now required by law, shall be admitted to practice law in said Court with the same privileges and subject to the same liabilities as Attorneys are who now practice law in said Court.

Persons who may on examination of a Committee of the bar, be found duly qualified, may on payment of fees and taking the oath practice as Attorneys in the C. C. Pleas.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court of this State, some time in the month of July annually, to appoint within and for each of the several Counties in this State a Committee of three judicious men learned in the law, and each of whom shall be Counsellors of said Court, whose duty it shall be to examine all applicants for admission to practice law, who may be residents in the County for which said Committee was appointed, and if, on examination of such applicant, it shall appear to said Committee that he is duly qualified to commence the practice of law in the Court of Common Pleas, then the Committee shall give him a certificate of that fact in writing under their hands. And when any person, possessing such certificate shall present the same to the Court of Common Pleas, while in session in the County where such person shall reside; and on complying with the requisitions provided in the first section of this Act, then such

Justices of the S. J. Court annually in July, to appoint in each County a Committee to examine all applicants for admission to practice Law.

The duties and power of said Committee.

person presenting such certificate shall be admitted to practice as provided in said first section.

Committee to be sworn and to continue in office until the Clerk of the Court shall notify them that others have been appointed and qualified in their stead.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That the several Committees appointed by virtue of this Act shall, prior to entering upon the duties of their office, in open Court, take and subscribe an oath or affirmation, that they will faithfully and impartially perform the duties of said office according to their best skill and judgment. And said Committee shall continue in said office until they shall have been duly notified by the Clerk of said Court that others have been appointed and sworn in their stead.

Act to be in force after July next.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect and be in force after July next, and that all Acts and parts of Acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

[Approved by the Governor March 28, 1837.]

Chapter 280.

AN ACT to provide for certain returns from Banks and other Corporations.

Cashiers of Banks and Clerks of other Corporations on 1st of May annually, to make return under oath of taxable property &c.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That the Cashiers of Banks chartered by the authority of this State;—and the Clerks of all such other Corporations, having, holding or possessing any property liable to be taxed, as have received or may hereafter receive corporate powers by the laws of the State, shall, under oath, annually, on the first day of May, return to the Assessors of cities, the Assessors of towns and organized plantations in which any stockholder may reside, the name, place of residence, where such residence is known to said Cashiers or Clerks, and amount of stock owned by each stockholder. Also the amount of stock taken