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An Act to establish a Court in Bankruptcy.

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WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act to amend the Laws relating to Bankrupts*: 6 G. 4. c. 16. And whereas it is expedient to provide Means of administering and distributing the Estate and Effects of Bankrupts, and of determining the Questions which from Time to Time arise touching the same, other than are provided by the said Act: To the end that the Rights, as well of the Bankrupts themselves as of their Creditors, may be enforced with little Expence, Delay, and Uncertainty as possible, be it enacted by the King'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, That it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, by Charter or Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to erect and establish a Court of Judicature which shall be called "The Court of Bankruptcy," and by Commission under the Great Seal to appoint One Person, being a Serjeant or a Barrister at Law of not less than Ten Years standing, to be the Chief Judge of the said Court, and Three Persons, being Serjeants or Barristers at Law of not less than Ten Years standing at the Bar, or of Five Years standing at the Bar, having previously practised Five Years as a Special Pleader below the Bar, to be other Judges of the said Court, and Six Persons,

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Persons, being Barristers at Law of not less than Seven Years standing at the Bar, or of Four Years standing at the Bar, having previously practised as a Special Pleader for Three Years below the Bar, to be called Commissioners of the said Court, and from Time to Time to supply any Vacancy in the Number of the said Judges and Commissioners; and the same Court shall be and constitute a Court of Law and Equity, and shall, together with every Judge and Commissioner thereof, have, use, and exercise all the Rights, Incidents, and Privileges of a Court of Record or Judge of a Court of Record, and all other Rights, Incidents, and Privileges, as fully to all Intents and Purposes as the same are used, exercised, and enjoyed by any of His Majesty's Courts of Law or Judges at *Westminster*.

The Court of Review.

II. And be it enacted, That the said Judges or any Three of them shall and may form a Court of Review, which shall always sit in public, save and except as may be otherwise directed by this Act, or by the Rules and Regulations to be made in pursuance hereof, and shall have Superintendance and Controul in all Matters of Bankruptcy, and shall also have Power, Jurisdiction, and Authority to hear and determine, order, and allow all such Matters in Bankruptcy as now usually are or lawfully may be brought, by Petition or otherwise, before the Lord Chancellor, whether such Matters may have arisen in the said Court of Bankruptcy or elsewhere, except as is herein otherwise provided, and also to investigate, examine, hear, and determine all such other Matters within the Jurisdiction of the said Court of Bankruptcy as are by this Act or may be by the said Rules and Regulations assigned and referred to the said Court of Review.

Mode of Application to Court of Review.

Mode of Appeal to the Lord Chancellor.

III. And be it enacted, That all such Matters to be heard and determined in the said Court of Review shall be brought on by way of Petition, Motion, or Special Case, according to the Rules and Regulations to be established as herein-after provided, subject to an Appeal to the Lord Chancellor on Matters of Law and Equity, or on the Refusal or Admission of Evidence only; and in all Cases of Appeal to the Lord Chancellor by virtue of this Act such Appeal shall be on a Special Case, and in no other Mode whatsoever, except the Lord Chancellor shall in any Case otherwise direct; which Special Case shall be approved and certified by One of the Judges of the said Court of Review in Matters arising in the said Court, and by the Judge trying the Issue in Matters arising out of the Trial of Issues; and the Determination of such Judge on the Settlement of such Case shall be final and conclusive: Provided always, that all Appeals to the Lord Chancellor by virtue of this Act shall be heard by the Lord Chancellor only, and not by any other Judge of the High Court of Chancery.

Court of Review may direct Issues.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Court of Review to direct any Issue of Fact arising therein to be tried by a Jury before One of the Judges thereof, or before a Judge of Assize, and to issue Process to compel the Attendance of Jurors and Witnesses, and to enforce the Orders and Decrees of the said Court of Review, and to that end to exercise all the Powers vested for such Purposes in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*.

Costs in the Court of Review.

V. And be it enacted, That all Costs of Suit between Party and Party in the said Court of Review shall be in the Discretion of the Court, and shall be taxed by One of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery.

Subdivision Courts.

VI. And be it enacted, That the said Six Commissioners may be formed into Two Subdivision Courts, consisting of Three Commissioners for each Court, for hearing and determining the Matters and Things and making the Examinations herein-after referred thereto; and all References or Adjournments by a single Commissioner to a Subdivision Court, by virtue of this Act, shall be to the Subdivision Court to which he belongs, unless the said Commissioner, in case of the Sickness of some One or more of the Commissioners of such Subdivision Court, or other sufficient Cause, shall think fit otherwise to direct; and the said Subdivision Courts may sit either in public or private, as they shall see fit, unless where it shall be otherwise provided by this Act, or by the Rules to be made as herein-after mentioned.

The Powers of Commissioners.

VII. And be it enacted, That in every Bankruptcy prosecuted in the said Court of Bankruptcy it shall and may be lawful for any One or more of the said Six Commissioners to have, perform, and execute all the Powers, Duties, and Authorities by any Act or Acts of Parliament now in force vested in Commissioners of Bankrupt, in all respects as if they or any One or more of them were in every Instance specially authorized and appointed for the Purpose by a separate Commission under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*; provided always, that no single Commissioner shall have Power to commit any Bankrupt or other Person examined before him otherwise than to the Care and Custody of a Messenger or other Officer of the said Court, to be by him detained in his Custody, and brought up before a Subdivision Court, or the Court of Review within Three Days after such Commitment, for which Purpose one of such Courts shall be forthwith assembled, and to which Court such Examination shall be adjourned.

Oath of Judges and Commissioners.

VIII. And be it enacted, That in lieu of the Oath directed to be taken by Commissioners under the said recited Act, every Judge and Commissioner to be appointed by virtue of this Act shall, before he shall be capable of acting in the Execution of any of the Powers and Authorities given by this Act, take an Oath in the Presence of the Lord Chancellor to the Effect following; (that is to say,)

'I *A.B.* do swear, That I will faithfully, impartially, and honestly, according to the best of my Skill and Knowledge, execute the several Powers and Trusts reposed in me [as the Chief Judge *or* One of the Judges, *or* One of the Commissioners, *as the Case may be*, of the Court of Bankruptcy,] and that without Favour or Affection, Prejudice or Malice. So help me GOD.'

And any Judge or Commissioner having once taken the said Oath shall not again be required to take the same so long as he shall continue in Office.

IX. And

Appointment of Registrars and Deputy Registrars.

IX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, under His or Their Royal Sign Manual, from Time to Time to appoint Two Registrars, and any Number not exceeding Eight Deputy Registrars, to act as such in the said Court of Bankruptcy, and to attend upon and assist the said Judges and Commissioners; which Officers so to be from Time to Time appointed shall hold their respective Offices during good Behaviour, notwithstanding the Demise of His Majesty or any of His Heirs or Successors: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, to remove any of such Officers upon a Certificate from the said Court of Review, or One of the Subdivision Courts, of some sufficient Reason, to be named therein, for such Removal.

All Attorneys and Solicitors may practise in this Court.

X. And be it enacted, That all Attorneys and Solicitors of any of the superior Courts of Law or Equity at *Westminster* may be admitted and have their Names enrolled in the said Court of Bankruptcy, without any Fee or Charge other than such as shall be allowed by this Act, or any Rule or Regulation to be made in pursuance thereof, and may appear and plead in any Proceedings in the said Court without being required to employ Counsel, (except in Proceedings before the said Court of Review, and upon the Trial of Issues by Jury); and in case any Person, not being an Attorney or Solicitor duly admitted as aforesaid, shall practise in the said Court of Bankruptcy as an Attorney or Solicitor, he shall be deemed guilty of a Contempt of the said Court, and be liable to all the Penalties incident thereto, on Complaint thereof made to the Court of Review; and that all the Laws and Statutes now in force concerning Attorneys and Solicitors shall extend to Attorneys and Solicitors practising in the said Court of Bankruptcy.

Judges to make Rules for regulating the Proceedings of the Court.

XI. And be it enacted, That the Judges of the said Court of Review, with the Consent of the Lord Chancellor, shall have Power from Time to Time to make general Rules and Orders for regulating the Practice of the said Court of Bankruptcy, the Sittings of the Judges and Commissioners thereof, and the Conduct of the other Officers and of the Practitioners therein.

The Lord Chancellor to issue a Fiat in lieu of a Commission.

XII. And be it enacted, That in every Case wherein the Lord Chancellor, by virtue of any former Act, hath Power to issue a Commission of Bankrupt under the Great Seal, it shall and may be lawful for him, and also for the Master of the Rolls, the Vice Chancellor, and each of the Masters of the Court of Chancery acting under any Appointment by the Lord Chancellor to be given for that Purpose, on Petition made to the Lord Chancellor against any Trader having committed any Act of Bankruptcy by any Creditor of such Trader, and upon his filing such Affidavit and giving such Bond as is by Law required, to issue his Fiat under his Hand in lieu of such Commission, thereby authorizing such Creditor to prosecute his said Complaint in the said Court of Bankruptcy, or to prosecute the same elsewhere before such discreet and proper Persons as the Lord Chancellor, or as the Master of the Rolls, Vice Chancellor, or One of the Masters of the Court of Chancery, acting as aforesaid, by such

such Fiat may think fit to nominate and appoint; and that the Persons so appointed shall thereby have the like Power and Authority to all Intents and Purposes as if they were assigned and appointed Special Commissioners by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal.

Fiats to be filed in Court of Bankruptcy.

XIII. And be it enacted, That every such Fiat, prosecuted in the said Court of Bankruptcy, shall be filed and entered of Record in the said Court, and shall thenceforth be a Record of the said Court, and it shall thereupon be lawful for any One or more of the Commissioners thereof to proceed thereon in all respects as Commissioners acting in the Execution of a Commission of Bankrupt, save and except as such Proceeding may be altered by virtue of this Act.

Appointment of Country Commissioners, and Fiats to them.

XIV. And be it enacted, That the Judges who go the several Circuits in *England* and *Wales* may be directed by the Lord Chancellor from Time to Time to return to him the Names of such Number as he shall think fit to require of Barristers, Solicitors, and Attornies practising in the Counties to the said Circuits belonging, and upon such Persons being returned, and approved by the Lord Chancellor, the Fiat or Fiats aforesaid not directed to the Court of Bankruptcy shall be directed to some One or more of such Persons in Rotation to act as Commissioners of Bankrupt, according to the Districts or Places for which such Persons shall be so returned, and to no other Person than such as shall be included in such Return: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor at any Time to remove any Person from the Lists to be so returned, for such Cause as to him shall seem fit.

Oath of Commissioners in the Country.

XV. And be it enacted, That in lieu of the Oath required by the said recited Act to be taken by Commissioners of Bankrupt, all Persons acting as such Commissioners elsewhere than in the said Court of Bankruptcy shall take an Oath to the Effect following:

'I *A.B.* do swear, That I will faithfully, impartially, and honestly, according to the best of my Skill and Knowledge, execute the several Powers and Trusts reposed in me as a Commissioner in a Prosecution of Bankruptcy against and that without Favour or Affection, Prejudice or Malice. So help me GOD.'

Provisions of former Acts made applicable to this Act and to Fiats.

XVI. And be it enacted, That all the Laws and Statutes, Rules and Orders, now in force relating to Bankrupts, or to Commissioners of Bankrupt, or to Proceedings under such Commissions, or to the Subject Matters of such Proceedings, or to the Persons concerned therein or in any way affected thereby, shall in like Manner extend and be construed to extend in every respect, as far as the same may be applicable, to this Act, and to Fiats issued in pursuance thereof, and to all Proceedings under the same, and to all the Subject Matters of such Proceedings, and to all Persons concerned therein or in any way affected thereby, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, as if every such Fiat were a Commission of Bankrupt under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, save and except as may be otherwise directed by this Act.

Manner of Proceeding in case the Bankrupt shall dispute the Adjudication.

XVII. And be it enacted, That if any Trader adjudged bankrupt shall be minded to dispute such Adjudication, and shall present a Petition praying the Reversal thereof to the said Court of Review, such Petition to be presented within Two Calendar Months from the Date of such Adjudication if such Trader shall be then residing within the United Kingdom, or within Three Calendar Months from the Date aforesaid if then residing in any other Part of *Europe*, or within One Year from the Date aforesaid if then residing elsewhere; or within such other Time as the said Court shall allow, (not exceeding One Year, to be computed from the Date aforesaid,) such Court of Review shall proceed to hear and decide on the said Petition; or, at the Option of the said Bankrupt, and on his finding such Security for Costs (if the said Court shall think fit to require any Security) as by the said Court shall be approved, shall direct an Issue to try any Matter of Fact affecting the Validity of such Adjudication by a Jury, to be duly impannelled and sworn for that Purpose, before the Chief Judge or any One or more of the other Judges of the Court of Bankruptcy; and if the Verdict on such Issue shall not be set aside, on Application made to the said Court of Review, within One Month after the said Trial, or if the Adjudication of the Commissioner shall not be set aside by the said Court of Review on the Petition aforesaid, such Verdict or such Adjudication of the said Commissioner shall in all Cases, as against the said Bankrupt, and also as against the Petitioning Creditor, and as against any Assignee to be chosen of any such Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, and as against all Persons claiming under the said Assignees, and all Persons indebted to the Bankrupt's Estate, be conclusive Evidence that the Party was or was not a Bankrupt at the Date of such Adjudication, any other Act, Debt, or Trading than the Act, Debt, or Trading proved at such Trial notwithstanding: Providing always, that an Appeal shall be to the Lord Chancellor from the Decision of the said Court of Review, upon Matter of Law or Equity, or on the Refusal or Admission of Evidence only.

Fiat to issue on Petition to Lord Chancellor.

XVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That after any such Issue shall have been tried as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for the Lord Chancellor, on Petition to him, to be presented within One Calendar Month after such Verdict, and upon Notice thereof to the Bankrupt, upon special Circumstances, to be submitted to the said Lord Chancellor, to order that another Fiat do issue at the Instance of any other than the former Petitioning Creditor against the said Bankrupt, and that such Fiat shall and may be supported by any Debt, Trading, or Act of Bankruptcy other than those given in Evidence on the Trial of such Issue.

Power to annul Fiat.

XIX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor, upon the Reversal of any Adjudication of Bankruptcy, or for such other Cause as he shall think fit, to order that any Fiat issued by virtue of this Act shall be rescinded or annulled; and such Order shall have all the Force and Effect of a Writ of Supersedeas of a Commission according to the existing Laws and Practice in Bankruptcy.

XX. And

Meetings of Creditors.

XX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Commissioner who shall make any Adjudication of Bankruptcy to appoint Two or more public Meetings, instead of the Three Meetings directed by the said recited Act, for the Bankrupt to surrender and conform, the last of which said Meetings shall be on the Forty-second Day after the Publication of his Bankruptcy in the *Gazette*; and the Choice of Assignees shall take place at the first of such Two Meetings.

Powers given to the Commissioners may be exercised by the Judges.

XXI. And be it enacted, That in all Cases in which Power is by this Act given to any One of the said Commissioners to act, such Power shall and may in like Manner be exercised by the said Chief Judge, or by any One of the said other Judges, as Occasion may require; and where any such Judge so acting would, in case he were a Commissioner, make any Reference or Adjournment to a Subdivision Court, such Reference or Adjournment shall be made by such Judge to the Court of Review instead of to a Subdivision Court.

Appointment of Official Assignees.

Their Duty.

XXII. And be it enacted, That a Number of Persons not exceeding Thirty, being Merchants, Brokers, or Accountants, or Persons who are or have been engaged in Trade in the Cities of *London* or *Westminster* or the Parts adjacent, shall be chosen by the Lord Chancellor to act as Official Assignees in all Bankruptcies prosecuted in the said Court of Bankruptcy; One of which said Official Assignees shall in all Cases be an Assignee of each Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, together with the Assignee or Assignees to be chosen by the Creditors; such Official Assignee to give such Security, to be subject to such Rules, to be selected for such Estate, and to act in such Manner as the said Chief and other Judges, with the Consent of the Lord Chancellor, shall from Time to Time direct; and all the Personal Estate and Effects, and the Rents and Profits of the Real Estate, and the Proceeds of Sale of all the Estate and Effects, Real and Personal, of the Bankrupt, shall in every Case be possessed and received by such Official Assignee alone, save where it shall be otherwise directed by the said Court of Bankruptcy or any Judge or Commissioner thereof; and all Stock in the Public Funds or of any Public Company, and all Monies, Exchequer Bills, *India* Bonds, or other Public Securities, and all Bills, Notes, and other negotiable Instruments, shall be forthwith transferred, delivered, and paid by such Official Assignee into the Bank of *England*, to the Credit of the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, to be subject to such Order, Rule, and Regulation, for the keeping of the Account of the said Monies and other Effects, and for the Payment and Delivery in, Investment, and Payment and Delivery out of the same, as the Lord Chancellor, or the said Court of Review, or any Judge of the said Court of Bankruptcy, if authorized so to do by any General Order of the same Court, shall direct; and if any such Assignee shall neglect to make such Transfer, Delivery, or Payment, every such Assignee shall be liable to be charged in the same Manner as by the said recited Act is provided in Cases of Neglect by Assignees to invest Money in the Purchase of Exchequer Bills, when directed so to do: Provided always, that until Assignees shall be chosen by the Creditors of

of each Bankrupt, such Official Assignee so to be appointed to act with the Assignees to be chosen by the Creditors shall be enabled to act, and shall be deemed to be, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, a sole Assignee of each Bankrupt's Estates and Effects.

Proviso restricting the Authority of Official Assignees.

XXIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall extend to authorize any such Official Assignee to interfere with the Assignees chosen by the Creditors in the Appointment or Removal of a Solicitor or Attorney, or in directing the Time and Manner of effecting any Sale of the Bankrupt's Estates or Effects.

For filling up Vacancies in the Number of Assignees.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor, from Time to Time as any Vacancy may occur in the said before-mentioned Number of Official Assignees, to appoint some other such Person as aforesaid to fill any Vacancy so occurring; and in case of the Death or Removal of any Official Assignee who shall have been appointed to act in any Bankruptcy, it shall be lawful for the said Court of Bankruptcy, subject to any Rules to be made by virtue of this Act, to appoint another Official Assignee of the Number hereby prescribed to act in the same Bankruptcy in the Place of the Assignee who shall have so become dead or been removed.

Personal Estate to vest in Assignees.

XXV. And be it enacted, That when any Person hath been adjudged a Bankrupt, all his Personal Estate and Effects, present and future, which by the Laws now in force may be assigned by Commissioners acting in the Execution of a Commission against such Bankrupt, shall become absolutely vested in and transferred to the Assignees or Assignee for the Time being, by virtue of their Appointment, without any Deed of Assignment for that Purpose, as fully to all Intents as if such Estate and Effects were assigned by Deed to such Assignees and the Survivor of them; and as often as any such Assignees shall die, or be lawfully removed, and a new Assignee duly appointed, all such Personal Estate as was then vested in such deceased or removed Assignee shall by virtue of such Appointment vest in the new Assignee, either alone or jointly with the existing Assignees, as the Case may require, without any Deed of Assignment for that Purpose.

Real Estate how to vest.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That where any Person shall have been adjudged a Bankrupt, all such present and future Real Estate of such Bankrupt, whether in the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or in any of the Dominions, Plantations, or Colonies belonging to His Majesty, as by the said recited Act is directed to be conveyed by the Commissioners to the Assignees, shall vest in such Bankrupt's Assignee or Assignees for the Time being, by virtue of his or their Appointment, without any Deed of Conveyance for that Purpose; and as often as any such Assignee or Assignees shall die, or be lawfully removed or displaced, and a new Assignee or Assignees shall be duly appointed, such of the aforesaid Real Estate as shall remain unsold or unconveyed shall by virtue of such Appointment vest in the new Assignee or Assignees, either alone or

jointly with the existing Assignees, as the Case may require, without any Conveyance for that Purpose.

In Cases where a Conveyance of the Property of a Bankrupt would require to be registered, the Certificate of Appointment of the Assignee shall be registered.

XXVII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That where according to any Laws now in force any Conveyance or Assignment of any Real or Personal Property of a Bankrupt would require to be registered, enrolled, or recorded in any Registry Office in *England*, *Wales*, or *Ireland*, or in any Registry Office, Court, or other Place in *Scotland*, or any of the Dominions, Plantations, or Colonies belonging to His Majesty, then, in every such Case, such Certificate as hereafter is described of the Appointment of an Assignee or Assignees shall be registered in the Registry Office, Court, or Place wherein such Conveyance or Assignment as last aforesaid would require to be registered, enrolled, or recorded; and the Registry hereby directed shall have the like Effect to all Intents and Purposes as the Registry, Enrolment, or recording of such Conveyance or Assignment as last aforesaid would have had; and the Title of any Purchaser of any such Property as last aforesaid, for valuable Consideration, without Notice of the Bankruptcy, who shall have duly registered, enrolled, or recorded his Purchase Deed previous to the Registry hereby directed, shall not be invalidated by reason of such Appointment of an Assignee or Assignees as aforesaid, or the vesting of such Property in him or them consequent thereupon, unless the Certificate of such Appointment shall be registered as aforesaid within the Times following; (that is to say,) as regards the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, within Two Months from the Date of such Appointment; and as regards all other Places, within Twelve Months from the Date thereof.

Seal of the Court.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That the said Judges of the said Court of Bankruptcy shall cause to be made a Seal of the said Court, in such Form as they shall think fit, and shall cause to be sealed therewith all such Proceedings, Documents, and Copies as by the Law now in being, or by this Act, or by any Rule or Order of the said Court, shall be required to be so sealed.

Evidence of Appointment of Assignees.

XXIX. And be it enacted, That a Certificate of the Appointment of such Assignees, purporting to be under the Seal of the said Court of Bankruptcy, shall be received as Evidence of such Appointment, in all Courts and Places whatsoever, without further Proof.

Adjournment of Examinations to Subdivision Courts.

XXX. And be it enacted, That any One of the said Six Commissioners, if he think fit, may adjourn the Examination of any Bankrupt or other Person to be taken either before a Subdivision Court or the Court of Review, and may likewise adjourn the Examination of a Proof of Debt to be heard before a Subdivision Court; which said Court shall proceed with such last-mentioned Examination, and finally, and without any Appeal, except upon Matter of Law or Equity, or of the Refusal or the Admission of Evidence, shall determine upon such Proof of Debts: Provided always, that in case, before the said Commissioner or Subdivision Court, both Parties, the Assignees or the major Part of them, and the Creditor, consent to have the Validity of any Debt in dispute tried by a Jury,

Trial of disputed Debts.

an Issue shall be prepared under the Direction of the said Commissioner or Subdivision Court, and sent for Trial before the Chief Judge or One or more of the other Judges; and if One Party only applies for such Issue, the said Commissioner or Subdivision Court shall decide whether or not such Trial shall be had, subject to an Appeal as to such Decision to the Court of Review.

Certain Decisions of Commissioners may be brought under Review or appealed against.

XXXI. And be it enacted, That if such Commissioner or Subdivision Court shall determine any Point of Law or Matter of Equity, or decide on the Refusal or Admission of Evidence in the Case of any disputed Debt, such Matter may be brought under Review of the Court of Review by the Party who thinks himself aggrieved, and the Proof of the Debt shall be suspended until such Appeal shall be disposed of, and a Sum not exceeding any expected Dividend or Dividends on the Debt in dispute in such Proof may be set apart in the Hands of the said Accountant General until such Decision be made; and in like Manner there may be an Appeal on the like Matter of Law or Equity from the Court of Review to the Lord Chancellor.

Determination of Court of Review in favour of Appeals touching such Decisions to be final, unless appealed against within One Month.

XXXII. And be it enacted, That if the Court of Review shall determine in any Appeal touching any Decision in Matter of Law upon the whole Merits of any Proof of Debt, then the Order of the said Court shall finally determine the Question as to the said Proof, unless an Appeal to the Lord Chancellor be lodged within One Month from such Determination; and in case of such an Appeal, the Determination of the Lord Chancellor thereupon shall in like Manner be final touching such Proof; but if the Appeal, either to the Court of Review or the Lord Chancellor, shall be allowed in relation to the Admission or Refusal of Evidence, then and in that Case the Proof of the Debt shall be again heard by the Commissioner or Subdivision Court, and the said Evidence shall be then admitted or rejected accordingly.

New Trial of Issues.

XXXIII. And be it enacted, That after any Issue by this Act authorized shall be tried, a new Trial may be moved in the Court of Review, which new Trial shall be granted or refused according to the Rules of the Common Law and the Practice of the Courts of *Westminster* in granting or refusing new Trials.

Proof of Debts by Affidavits.

XXXIV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Creditor to make Proof of his Debt by Affidavit, sworn before One of the said Judges or Commissioners, or before a Master in Chancery, Ordinary or Extraordinary, or, if such Creditor shall live out of *England*, by Affidavit sworn before a Magistrate where such Creditor shall be residing, and attested by a Notary Public, *British* Minister or Consul; subject nevertheless to such Rules and Orders touching the personal Attendance of any Creditor to make such Proof according to the existing Laws and Practice in Bankruptcy as the said Court of Review, with the Consent of the Lord Chancellor, shall from Time to Time make and direct.

Assignees may appoint the Bankrupt to super-

XXXV. And be it enacted, That in every Case the Assignees may, with the Approbation of the proper Subdivision Court, appoint the Bankrupt himself to superintend the Management of the Estate, or

to carry on the Trade for behoof of the Creditors, and in all or any other respects they may think fit to aid them in administering the Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, in such Manner and on such Terms as they may think best for the Benefit of the Persons interested in the Estate. intend the Management of the Estate.

XXXVI. And be it enacted, That the Court of Review shall have Power to remove any Assignee of any Estate; and the Order of such Court thereupon shall be final and conclusive to all Intents and Purposes, and not subject to any Review by the Lord Chancellor or otherwise. Removal of Assignees.

XXXVII. And be it enacted, That in case the Lord Chancellor shall deem any Matter of Law or Equity brought before him by way of Appeal from the Court of Review to be of sufficient Difficulty or Importance to require the Decision of the House of Lords, or in case both Parties in any Proceeding before the Court of Review shall desire that any such Matter may be determined in the first instance by the House of Lords, and not by the Lord Chancellor, then and in such Case the Lord Chancellor or the Court of Review may direct the whole Facts whereupon such Question of Law or Equity shall arise to be stated in the Form of a Petition of Appeal to the House of Lords, and the Party appealing may carry such Appeal to the House of Lords in like Manner as other Appeals are preferred to that House: Provided always, that the Cases to be lodged by the Parties in the House of Lords shall be confined in Matter of Fact, in Cases of Appeal from the Lord Chancellor, to setting forth the special Case brought up to the Lord Chancellor from the Court of Review, and in Cases of Appeal from the said Court of Review, to setting forth a special Case, to be approved and certified in manner herein-before provided touching Appeals to the Lord Chancellor, and to such Arguments on the Point of Law as the Parties may be advised to state. Appeal to the House of Lords.

XXXVIII. And be it enacted, That the said Judges and Commissioners of the said Court of Bankruptcy shall in all Matters within their respective Jurisdictions have Power to take the Whole or any Part of the Evidence either *vivâ voce* on Oath, or upon Affidavits to be sworn before One of the said Judges or Commissioners, or a Master, Ordinary or Extraordinary, in Chancery, as the said Court may in any Case direct, or as the Lord Chancellor may from Time to Time prescribe, by any General Rule to be made by virtue of this Act. The Court may take Evidence vivâ voce, or upon Affidavit before a Judge or a Master.

XXXIX. And be it enacted, That all Power, Jurisdiction, and Authority of the Commissioners named in any Commission of Bankrupt depending in the Court of Commissioners of Bankrupts in the City of *London* shall cease and determine, and that every such Commission shall thereupon be removed into the said Court of Bankruptcy, and that all further Proceeding thereon shall be thenceforth prosecuted and carried on in like Manner as if they had been originally commenced therein by virtue of a Fiat under the Hand of the Lord Chancellor, issued pursuant to this Act, save as may be otherwise directed by this Act. Commissions depending in London to be removed into the Court of Bankruptcy.

XL. And

Power to appoint Official Assignees to act with the existing Assignees under such Commissions, and to whom the latter shall deliver over Effects.

XL. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for each Commissioner of the said Court who shall thenceforth act in such Commission, at his Discretion, to appoint some One of the aforesaid Official Assignees to act with the existing Assignees, if any, under such Commissions, and to direct the existing Assignees to pay and deliver over to such Official Assignees all Monies, Books, Papers, and Effects whatsoever in their Possession or Custody as such Assignees; and all the Real and Personal Estate of the Bankrupt under such Commission shall immediately on such Appointment vest in such Official Assignee jointly with the existing Assignees, if any, in like Manner as if the Proceedings in the said Bankruptcy had originally been commenced by virtue of this Act, without Prejudice to any Action or Suit commenced or any Contract entered into by the existing Assignees at the Time of the passing of this Act.

Construction and Extent of this Act.

XLI. And be it enacted, That wherever this Statute hath used Words importing the Singular Number or the Masculine Gender only, yet it shall be understood to include several Matters as well as One Matter, and several Persons as well as One Person, and Females as well as Males, and Bodies Corporate as well as Individuals, unless it be otherwise specially provided, or there be something in the Subject or Context repugnant to such Construction; and that wherever the Words Lord Chancellor are used, they shall also be understood to mean Lord Keeper and Lords Commissioners for the Custody of the Great Seal; and that this Act shall not extend either to *Scotland* or *Ireland*, except where the same are expressly mentioned or referred to.

Concerted Bankruptcies.

XLII. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act no Commission of Bankrupt shall be superseded, nor any Fiat annulled, nor any Adjudication reversed, by reason only that the Commission, Fiat, or Adjudication has been concerted by and between the Petitioning Creditor, his Solicitor or Agent, or any of them, and the Bankrupt, his Solicitor or Agent, or any of them, save and except where any Petition to supersede a Commission for any such Cause shall have been already presented and shall be now pending.

Arbitration.

XLIII. And be it enacted, That if the Assignees of any Bankrupt's Estate shall agree to refer any Matter in dispute with any Party to Arbitration, in such Manner as by Law they are empowered to do, such Agreement of Reference may be made a Rule of the Court of Bankruptcy by this Act constituted, and thereupon all such Rights and Remedies, Duties and Liabilities, shall accrue from such Reference so made a Rule of the said Court, in respect of Arbitration and Award, and Nonperformance of such Award, and otherwise howsoever, as by Law at present accrue upon any Submission of Reference made a Rule of any of His Majesty's other Courts of Record.

Abolition of Fees to Patentee.

XLIV. And be it enacted, That all Fees heretofore payable to the Person holding the Patentee's Office "for the Execution of the Laws and Statutes concerning Bankrupts," shall cease and determine; and

that no Fee whatever shall be payable to any Person whomsoever holding any Office under or by virtue of this Act, except such as are provided by this Act, or in the Schedules hereto annexed, and except the Fees payable to any Commissioner acting in the Execution of any Commission or Fiat issued or to be issued, and to be executed elsewhere than in the Court of Bankruptcy.

Sum to be paid to the Secretary of Bankrupts on the granting of every Fiat; and Application thereof.

XLV. And be it enacted, That there shall be paid to the Lord Chancellor's Secretary of Bankrupts, upon the granting of every Fiat, in lieu of a Commission of Bankrupt, by virtue of this Act, the Sum of Ten Pounds; and the Sums to be so received by the said Secretary shall be by him paid Once a Week, or oftener, as the Lord Chancellor shall think fit to direct, into the Bank of *England*, to the Credit of the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, to a separate Account, to be entitled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Account;" and all Monies to be paid into the said Account shall be subject to such General Orders touching the Payment in, Investment, accounting for, and Payment out of such Monies for the Purposes herein-after provided, as the Lord Chancellor shall from Time to Time think fit to prescribe.

Assignee of Bankrupt's Estate to pay 20*l.* to the like Account.

XLVI. And be it enacted, That there shall be paid to the said Accountant General, to be placed by him to the like Account by the Official Assignee of each Bankrupt's Estate to be administered in the said Court of Bankruptcy, out of the first Monies that shall come into his Hands, and immediately after the Choice of Assignees by the Commissioners, the Sum of Twenty Pounds.

Sums to be paid on all Commissions moved into the Court of Bankruptcy.

XLVII. And be it enacted, That in all Cases of Commissions of Bankrupt which by virtue of the Provisions herein contained shall be removed into the said Court of Bankruptcy, and under which the Choice of Assignees shall have taken place prior to the Commencement of this Act, there shall be paid by the Assignees of every such Bankrupt's Estate, in lieu of all other Sums directed to be paid under and by virtue of this Act, the Sum of Three Pounds on every Sitting under such Bankruptcy which shall be held in the said Court, or by any Division Judge or Commissioner thereof; such Sum to be paid to the said Accountant General, and to be carried to the said Account entitled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Account:" Provided always, that no Fee whatever shall be paid on any Meeting for the Purpose of auditing the Assignees Accounts, unless there shall appear to the Commissioners to be sufficient Assets of the Bankrupt's Estate for the Payment thereof.

Restriction of Fees on auditing Assignees Accounts.

Power for the Secretary of Bankrupts to receive the Fees in the First Schedule.

XLVIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor's Secretary of Bankrupts for the Time being, and his Clerks, and he and they are hereby respectively authorized and required, to receive and take the several Fees and Sums set forth in the First Schedule hereto annexed, in respect of the Business therein specified; and the Amount to be so received shall be by the said Secretary applied in Payment of Salaries to a Messenger and Housekeeper, and the various other Expences of his Office, and the Surplus (if any) of such Moneys shall and may be retained for his own Use.

Power for the Chief Registrar to receive the Fees in the Second Schedule.

XLIX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Chief Registrar of the said Court of Bankruptcy for the Time being, and his Clerks, and he and they are hereby respectively authorized and required, to receive and take the several Fees or Sums set forth in the Second Schedule hereto annexed, in respect of the Business therein specified; and the Amount to be so received shall be by him applied in Payment of such Salaries or Sums of Money to Clerks, Ushers, and other Under Officers of the said Court of Bankruptcy, as the Lord Chancellor may from Time to Time order and direct; and the yearly Surplus (if any) of such Monies shall be divided between the Two Registrars, or between them and the Deputy Registrars of the said Court, in such Proportions as the Lord Chancellor shall appoint.

Salaries of Judges and other Officers of the Court.

L. And be it enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act there shall be paid and payable, out of the Monies and Securities standing to the said Account to be entitled "The Secretary of Bankrupt's Account," the yearly Sums following, as and for Salaries to the Judges and other Officers for the Time being hereinafter named; *videlicet*, to the Chief Judge of the said Court of Bankruptcy the Sum of Three thousand Pounds, to each of the other Judges of the said Court the Sum of Two thousand Pounds, to each of the Commissioners of the said Court the Sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds, to the Lord Chancellor's Secretary of Bankrupts the Sum of One thousand two hundred Pounds, to each of the Registrars of the said Court the Sum of Eight hundred Pounds, to each of the Deputy Registrars of the said Court the Sum of Six hundred Pounds, to the First Clerk of the said Secretary of Bankrupts the Sum of Five hundred Pounds, and to the Second Clerk of such Secretary the Sum of Three hundred Pounds; which said several Sums shall be paid from Time to Time quarterly, free and clear from all Taxes and Deductions whatsoever, on the Eleventh Day of *April*, the Eleventh Day of *July*, the Eleventh Day of *October*, and the Eleventh Day of *January* in every Year, by equal Portions, the first Payment thereof respectively to be made on the Eleventh Day of *April* next; and that if any Person for the Time being holding either of the said Offices shall die, resign, or be removed from the same, the Executor or Administrator of the Person so dying, or the Person so resigning or being removed, shall be entitled to receive such proportionable Part of his Salary as shall have accrued during the Time that such Person shall have executed his Office since the last Payment; and that the Successor of any such Person so dying, resigning, or being removed as aforesaid shall be entitled to receive such Portion of his Salary as shall be accruing or shall accrue from the Day of such Death, Resignation, or Removal.

Restriction as to Judges and other Officers practising as Barristers, or being Attornies.

LI. And be it enacted, That no Judge, Commissioner, Registrar, or Deputy Registrar to be appointed by virtue of this Act shall during their respective Continuance in such Offices practise as a Barrister, and that no Attorney or Solicitor whose Name shall be on the Rolls of the said Court of Bankruptcy, or of any of His Majesty's Courts at *Westminster*, as such Attorney or Solicitor, shall be appointed to or hold any of the said Offices.

Provision for Compensation to the Patentee of Bankrupts.

LII. And whereas the Office of the Patentee "for the Execution of the Laws and Statutes concerning Bankrupts" is now held by the Reverend *Thomas Thurlow*, by virtue of a Grant thereof by Letters Patent made to him for the Term of his natural Life, and the same Office hath also been granted by Letters Patent to the Honourable *William Henry John Scott* for the Term of his natural Life, after the Termination of the previous existing Interest therein: And whereas the Duties of the said Office, and the Fees and Emoluments payable in respect thereof, will by virtue of the Provisions of this Act be wholly discontinued; and it is just and reasonable that such Compensation as is herein-after provided should be made to the said Patentees, in lieu of such Fees and Emoluments; be it therefore enacted, That the Accountant General and the Two senior Masters of the High Court of Chancery shall be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners for the Purpose after mentioned; and the said Commissioners shall, within Six Months after the passing of this Act, by Examination on Oath or otherwise, which Oath they and each of them are and is hereby authorized to administer, inquire into and ascertain the Amount of the annual clear legal Profits and Emoluments of the said Office, to be computed on an Average of the last Three Years, (after deducting all Payments accustomed to be made thereanent,) and shall certify such Amount in Writing under their Hands to the Lord High Chancellor, whereupon an Annuity equal to such Amount shall forthwith become a Charge on an Account to be opened by the said Accountant General, and to be entitled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Compensation Account," and shall be paid and payable to the said *Thomas Thurlow* during his natural Life, and from and after his Decease to the said *William Henry Scott* during his natural Life, in case he shall survive the said *Thomas Thurlow*; which Annuity shall commence and be computed from the Eleventh Day of *January* next, and be payable half-yearly by equal Portions on the Eleventh Day of *July* and the Eleventh Day of *January* in every Year, the first of such Payments to be made on the Eleventh Day of *July* next: Provided always, that in case of the Death of either of the said Patentees in the Interval between either of the said half-yearly Days of Payment, his Executor or Administrator shall be entitled to receive a proportionate Part of the Annuity then payable to the Day of his Decease; and that the said *William Henry John Scott*, in case he shall survive the said *Thomas Thurlow*, shall be entitled to receive on the next half-yearly Day of Payment after his Decease a proportionate Part only of his said Annuity from the Day of such Decease.

Compensation to Commissioners, Clerk of the Hanaper, &c.

LIII. And whereas the Duties of the several Persons now acting as Commissioners of Bankrupt in *London*, and the Fees and Emoluments accustomed to be received by them, will be abolished by the Provisions of this Act, and the Clerk of the Hanaper, Purse-bearer, and other Officers of the Lord Chancellor and of the High Court of Chancery, have been accustomed to receive certain Fees, which will also be abolished by this Act; and it may be just and necessary that in all or some of such Cases Compensation should be made in respect of such Fees so to be abolished; be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, by Examination

tion on Oath or otherwise, which Oath they and each of them are and is hereby authorized to administer, to inquire into and ascertain the annual Amount of the lawful Fees and Emoluments of such Commissioners and other Officers received by them, and to award to all and every or such One or more of the said Commissioners as they the said Lords of the Treasury shall deem to be entitled to the same, an Annuity or Annuities, of such an Amount and for such Term as the said Lords of the Treasury shall find to be a fair and reasonable Compensation for the Loss to be sustained by all or any of the Commissioners and Officers aforesaid, by the Abolition of the said Fees, and shall certify the Amount of such Annuity or Annuities, in Writing under their Hands, to the Lord High Chancellor, who shall thereupon have Power to order the Amount so certified as payable to each Commissioner or other Officer to be paid out of the Moneys and Securities to be standing to the said Account to be entitled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Compensation Account;" and the same shall be payable and paid accordingly to the respective Persons aforesaid, without any Deduction whatsoever: Provided always, that the annual Sum to be so payable to any One of the said Commissioners of Bankrupt shall not exceed the Sum of Two hundred Pounds, and shall not be paid to any such Commissioner who at the Commencement of this Act or at any Time afterwards shall hold any public Office or Employment of an annual Value greater than the Annuity to be so certified as payable to him, or be in the Receipt of any yearly Sum of Money in lieu of or as a Compensation for the Proceeds of any such Office or Employment exceeding in Amount such Annuity, so long as any such Office or Employment shall be so held, or such Sum of Money shall continue to be received.

Proviso as to Compensation to Clerk of the Hanaper.

LIV. Provided always, and it is hereby further enacted, That the Annuity or Compensation hereby directed to be made to the Clerk of the Hanaper shall be fixed and regulated upon the same Computation and in like Manner as is above provided with respect to the Annuity or Compensation for the Patentee of the Bankrupts Office.

Fees to be paid into the Bank by Official Assignee.

LV. And be it enacted, That for the Purpose of raising a Fund to meet the Compensations herein-before directed to be made to the said Patentees and Commissioners of Bankrupt, there shall be paid by the Official Assignee of each Bankrupt's Estate to be administered in the said Court of Bankruptcy, immediately after the Choice of the Assignees by the Creditors, or so soon afterwards as a sufficient Sum shall come into his Hands for the Purpose, over and beyond the Sum herein-before directed to be paid by such Official Assignee, the Sum of Ten Pounds, into the Bank of *England*, to the Credit of the said Accountant General, to be carried to a separate Account to be entitled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Compensation Account;" and in like Manner there shall be paid to the said Accountant General, to be placed by him to the like Account, by such Official Assignee, for every Sitting of the said Court of Bankruptcy, or of any Division Judge or Commissioner thereof, other than the Sitting at which any Person may be adjudged a Bankrupt, or any Sitting for the Choice of Assignees, or any Sitting for receiving Proofs of Debt prior to such Choice, or any Sitting at which any Bankrupt shall

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pass his or her last Examination, or any Sitting at which any Dividend shall be declared, or any Sitting at which the Bankrupt's Certificate shall be signed by the Commissioners, the Sum of One Pound, and for every such Sitting at which a Dividend shall be declared a Sum of Money or Fee according to the Amount at such Sitting ordered to be divided, such Fee being regulated by the following Scale, *videlicet*, for all Sums not exceeding Ten thousand Pounds Ten Shillings in every One hundred Pounds, and for any Excess above Ten thousand Pounds Two Shillings and Sixpence in the One hundred Pounds; such several Payments to be made within One Week after such Sittings respectively shall be held; and all Monies to be paid into the said last-mentioned Account shall be subject to such General Orders touching the Payment in, Investment, accounting for, and Payment out of such Monies for the Purposes herein-before provided, as the Lord Chancellor shall from Time to Time think fit to prescribe; and when and as such last-mentioned Compensations shall from Time to Time cease to be payable, it shall be lawful for the said Lord Chancellor, as he may see fit, to direct that lesser Sums shall be paid by the said Official Assignees at the several Times and for the Purpose last aforesaid.

In case of a Surplus in the Secretary of Bankrupt's Account, the Lord Chancellor may order an Abatement of Fees.

LVI. And be it further enacted, That if at any Time it shall appear to the Lord Chancellor that the Monies and Securities standing to the said Account to be entitled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Account," together with the Fees expectant and to be payable to such Account, shall be sufficient to answer and pay the several Salaries and other Payments for the Time being chargeable thereon, and to leave a Surplus applicable to the Purpose after mentioned, it shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor to order such Abatement to be made in the Fees herein-before made payable by the Secretary of Bankrupts and by the said Official Assignees, or by either of them, to the said Account to be entitled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Account," as may to the said Lord Chancellor from Time to Time seem just and reasonable.

Remuneration to Official Assignee.

LVII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Commissioner before whom any Person shall be adjudged a Bankrupt in the said Court of Bankruptcy, or who shall appoint an Official Assignee under the Power herein-before given for that Purpose, to order and allow to be paid out of the Bankrupt's Estate, to the Official Assignee thereof, as a Remuneration for his Services, such Sum of Money as shall appear to such Commissioner, upon Consideration of the Amount of the Bankrupt's Property, and the Nature of the Duties to be performed by such Official Assignee, to be just and reasonable.

Penalty on any Officer taking Fees.

LVIII. And be it enacted, That if any Judge, Commissioner, Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Clerk, Messenger, Assignee, or any other Officer or Person whatsoever, shall, for any thing done or pretended to be done under this Act, or any other Act relating to Bankrupts, or under colour of doing any thing under this Act or any other such Acts, fraudulently and wilfully demand or take, or appoint or allow any Person whatsoever to take for him or on his Account, or for or on account of any Person by him named, or in

Trust for him or for any other Person by him named, any Fee, Emolument, Gratuity, Sum of Money, or any Thing of Value whatsoever, other than is allowed by this Act, and any other such Act as aforesaid, such Person, when duly convicted thereof, shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Five hundred Pounds, and be rendered incapable and is hereby rendered incapable of holding any Office or Place whatsoever under His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors.

Offences against this Act.

LIX. And be it enacted, That any such Offender may be prosecuted either by Information at the Suit of His Majesty's Attorney General or by Criminal Information before His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, or by Indictment: Provided always nevertheless, that if any Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Clerk, Messenger, or Assignee shall commit any Offence against this Act, it shall and may be lawful for the Court of Review or the Lord Chancellor to dismiss the Person so offending, upon Proof made before him or them of such Offence having been committed, upon a Rule to shew Cause: Provided further, that if such Court, on Cause being shewn, shall think fit to direct an Issue to be tried touching the Matter of the said Charge, such Issue may be tried before the said Chief Judge or One of the other Judges of the said Court of Review.

Judges and Officers under this Act ineligible to sit in Parliament.

LX. And be it enacted, That no Judge, Commissioner, Registrar, or Deputy Registrar, Secretary of Bankrupts, or Official Assignee, or other Officer to be appointed by virtue of this Act, shall during their respective Continuance in such Offices be capable of being elected or of sitting as a Member of the House of Commons.

Commencement of this Act.

LXI. And be it enacted, That this Act shall commence and take effect from and after the passing thereof, as to the Appointment of the Judges and other Officers hereby authorized, and as to all other Matters and Things, from and after the Eleventh Day of *January* next.

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The FIRST SCHEDULE of Fees before referred to.

	£	s.	d.
For every Docket struck, and not acted upon	1	12	6
For every renewed Fiat	0	12	0
For every Petition of Appeal answered for Hearing	0	13	6
For every Order on Hearing	1	5	0
For every previous Minute of Order	0	3	6
For every Warrant for advertising Declaration of Insolvency	0	2	6
For every Certificate of a Fiat issued to authorize Advertisement in the Gazette	0	2	6
For every Search made for Fiat or other Proceeding	0	1	0
For filing Affidavits and other Documents	0	1	0
For Copies of Affidavits, Orders, and other Proceedings, *per* Folio of Ninety Words	0	0	1½

The SECOND SCHEDULE of Fees before referred to.

	£	s.	d.
On filing every Fiat	0	1	0
For every Certificate of Bankrupts Conformity	0	6	6
On entering every Appeal for Hearing in the Court of Review	0	2	0
For every Order pronounced by that Court	1	5	0
For every previous Minute or Order	0	2	6
For entering every Matter for Hearing in a Subdivision Court	0	1	0
For every Order pronounced there	0	5	0
For Fees on the Trial of every Issue, to be paid by the successful Party	2	0	0
For every Search made in the Court	0	1	0
For filing Affidavits and other Documents	0	1	0
For Copies of Affidavits, Orders, and other Proceedings, per Folio of Ninety Words	0	0	1½
For every Subpœna ad Test. and other Writ issued out of the Court	0	2	0

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