



Western Australia.

ANNO SEXAGESIMO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. III.

AN ACT to amend the Law with reference to Powers of Attorney.

[Assented to, 23rd September, 1896.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. THIS Act may be cited for all purposes as the Powers of Attorney Act, 1896.

Short title.

2. AN instrument creating a power of attorney may be deposited in the Supreme Court Office.

Powers of Attorney to be lodged in Supreme Court.

3. A SEPARATE file of instruments so deposited shall be kept, and any person may inspect the file and every instrument so deposited, and an office copy thereof shall be delivered to him on request.

Separate file of instruments to be kept.

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- 4.** A COPY of the instrument so deposited may be presented at the office, and, after examination, may be stamped or marked as an office copy, and when so stamped or marked shall become and be an office copy.
- Instrument may be stamped as office copy.
- 5.** AN office copy of an instrument so deposited shall, without further proof, be sufficient evidence of the contents of the instrument and of the deposit thereof in the Supreme Court Office.
- Office copy of instrument to be evidence of contents and deposits.
- 6.** EVERY instrument so deposited shall, unless otherwise provided in the instrument, be in force until notice of revocation or extinguishment thereof shall be deposited in the Supreme Court Office.
- Instrument to be in force until revoked or extinguished.
- 7.** NOTICE of revocation or extinguishment of any such instrument shall be published once in the *Government Gazette* and twice in a newspaper published in the Colony.
- Notice of revocation or extinguishment to be published.
- 8.** GENERAL rules may be made by the Attorney General for the purposes of this Act, regulating the practice of, and prescribing the fees to be charged and taken by the Supreme Court Office.
- Rules may be made.
- 9.** THIS Act shall apply to instruments creating powers of attorney executed either before or after the commencement of this Act.
- Application of Act.

In the name and on behalf of the Queen I hereby assent to this Act.

GERARD SMITH, Governor.