

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

Judges.

No. 21.—1900.

17th September.

AN ORDINANCE to remove certain doubts with regard to the form of the appointments of Judges of the Supreme Court.

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C. C. KNOLLYS,

ACTING GOVERNOR.

17th September, 1900.

WHEREAS doubts have arisen whether the form in which appointments of persons to act as Judges of the Supreme Court of the Colony for several years past have been made out is in accordance with the requirements of section 5 of the Judicature Ordinance, 1879, and it is expedient to remove such doubts: Be it enacted by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows:—

Title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Judges Appointments Confirmation Ordinance, 1900.

Validating
past appoint-
ment.

2. Every appointment under the seal of the Colony heretofore made, by virtue whereof any person is acting or has acted as a Judge of the Supreme Court of the Colony, whether permanently or temporarily, since the

commencement of the Judicature Ordinance, 1879, shall for all purposes be deemed to have been duly made by letters patent under the provisions of Section 5 of such Ordinance.

3. No judgment or order made by the Supreme Court or by any Judge thereof appointed as in the second section hereof mentioned, nor any other act of such Judge, shall be deemed in any way invalid or illegal or wanting in binding force or effect, by reason of the appointment of such Judge having been made by commission of the Governor under the Seal of the Colony and of such commission being deficient or alleged to be deficient in any words or other formality alleged to be requisite to constitute the same "Letters Patent" within the meaning of the said section.

All acts of
Judges to be
valid.

4. It shall not be deemed essential to the validity or effect of any Letters Patent under the seal of the Colony, whether issued before or after the commencement hereof, that the same shall have been or shall be actually enrolled in any Patent Roll, or otherwise made subject to public inspection.

Enrolment of
letters patent.

Passed in Council this Seventeenth day of September, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred.

ALFRED TAITT,
Acting Clerk of the Council.