

No. 1.—1851.

1st February.

AN ORDINANCE to regulate the Fees to be taken by the Registrar General, and by the Surveyor General.

HARRIS.

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of Government, that from and after the passing of this Ordinance the following fees shall be paid to and taken by the Registrar General in lieu of all other fees whatsoever, that is to say :—

	£	s.	d.
For the Registration of any deed or the copy of any deed by which any property real or personal shall be granted, sold, mortgaged, leased, or assigned, where the consideration money by such deed expressed to be paid or secured shall not exceed the sum of fifty pounds sterling, or the rent reserved by any such deed, being a lease or an agreement for a lease, shall not exceed the rate of ten pounds by the year, the sum of	0	10	0

Table of fees to be taken by the Registrar-General.

And where such consideration money shall exceed the sum of fifty pounds, or the rent reserved by such deed, being a lease or agreement for a lease, or shall exceed the sum of ten pounds sterling by the year, the sum of	1	0	0
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For every deed of gift	1	0	0
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For the registration of every will which shall be registered without any probate or letters of administration in respect thereof, the sum of	1	0	0
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For the registration or the exemplification of a will with probate, and all letters of administration where the estate and effects, within this Colony for or in respect of which probate or letters of administration shall be

	£	s.	d.
granted, and exclusive of what the deceased shall have been possessed of or entitled to as a trustee for any other person and not beneficially, shall be under the value of twenty pounds	0	2	6
And where the same shall be above the value of twenty pounds and under the value of one hundred pounds, the sum of ...	1	0	0
And where the same shall be above the value of one hundred pounds	3	0	0
For the registration of all letters of administration <i>de bonis non</i> or of administration limited to substantiate proceedings in equity, the sum of	0	5	0
For the registration of every power of attorney and any other deed or document not herein otherwise provided for, the sum of	1	0	0
For every office copy of any deed, will or other document, for every 120 words, in addition to the certificate	0	1	0
For the certificate of the correctness of any such office copy	0	5	0
For any other certificate	1	1	0
✓ For every general search of the indexes, for each day	0	5	0
✓ For examining any deed, will or other document	0	1	0
✓ And where any search shall be first had to ascertain the particulars of the registration of such deed, the further sum of ...	0	0	6
And where any extract shall be taken, for every 120 words the sum of	0	1	0
Attendance in court on any subpoena, to produce any deed or any other document in custody for the Registrar General	0	10	6
For the registration of every judgment ...	0	5	0
✓ For every search of the judgment books	0	2	6

2. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing

in this Ordinance contained shall be construed to take away or effect any fee made payable to the Registrar General under or by virtue of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for Registering Births, Deaths and Marriages."

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Section 3 repealed by Ordinance 10 of 1880.

4. And be it enacted, That no probate of the will or letters of administration of the estate and effects of any person, shall be granted by the Supreme Civil Court without first requiring and receiving from the persons applying for the probate or letters of administration, or from some other competent person or persons an affidavit, or solemn affirmation in those cases in which persons are by law allowed to make affirmation instead of taking an oath, that the estate and effects of the deceased for or in respect of which the probate or letters of administration is or are to be granted, exclusive of what the deceased shall have been entitled to, or possessed of as a Trustee for any other person or persons and not beneficially, but including the leasehold estate for years of the deceased whether absolute or determinable on lives, if any, and without deducting any thing on account of the debts due and owing from the deceased, are under the value of a certain sum to be therein specified, to the best of the deponents or affirmants knowledge and information and belief, and the registrar shall certify on such probate or letters of administration the amount or value under which such estate and effects shall by such affidavit or affirmation be sworn or affirmed to be.

No Probate or Letters of Administration to be granted without Affidavit, or affirmation being first made as to the value of Estate and Effects of deceased. Registrar to certify the value on such Probate.

Passed in Council this first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one.

RICHARD D. CADIZ.

Clerk of Council.

The foregoing Ordinance was duly proclaimed by me, in Port of Spain, this seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one.

W. B. GOULD.

Marshal.