

**FOREIGN ACKNOWLEDGMENTS - ALLOWING FOR**  
**Act of Dec. 14, (1854) 1855, P.L. 724, No. 645**  
AN ACT

Cl. 68

Relating to the authentication of Letters of Attorney, Protests of Notaries Public, and Assignments made out of the State, and to the Acknowledgment of Deeds.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That all letters of attorney authorizing contracts to be made, the adjustment of accounts, the sale of stocks and personal estate, the receipt of moneys, or the discharge and acquittance of legacies, or distributive shares, when executed, proved or acknowledged in other states or foreign countries, by any person, or husband and wife, in manner authorized to allow letters of attorney for the conveyance of real estate to be put on record, or if proved or acknowledged in like manner before any minister, consul or vice consul of the United States, or officer thereof exercising ministerial or consular functions, or before a notary public in foreign countries, and duly certified under his official seal, may be placed of record in the recorder of deed's office, in any county where the powers conferred by such letters are intended to be exercised and receivable in evidence in courts of justice, as also the exemplifications from the record thereof, when the originals shall have been lost.

Section 2. (2 repealed Apr. 28, 1978, P.L.202, No.53)

Section 3. Deeds duly executed and acknowledged out of the State may be recorded. Any and every grant, bargain and sale, release or other deed of conveyance or assurance of any lands, tenements or hereditaments in this Commonwealth, and any power or powers of attorney to make and execute such sale, conveyance, mortgage or transfer of any lands, tenements or hereditaments in this Commonwealth, made and executed in any of the United States, may be recorded in the county in which such lands, tenements or hereditaments are situated, if the acknowledgment thereof be taken in due form before any officer or magistrate of the state wherein such deed, et cetera, is executed, authorized by the laws of said state to take the acknowledgment of deeds or other instruments of writing therein; and such acknowledgment is either verified by the official seal of the officer or magistrate before whom it is taken or authenticated by a certificate of the clerk or prothonotary of any court of record in such state, that the officer or magistrate so taking such acknowledgment, is duly qualified by law to take the same.

(3 amended May 14, 1957, P.L.136, No.59)