

CHAPTER 22.

An Act relative to the Records.

March 4, 1854.

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Conveyances legalized—record to have same effect.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota. All conveyances of land within this Territory, any estate or interest therein, and all letters of attorney, authorising the conveyance of land, or any interest therein within this Territory where the same shall have been heretofore executed or acknowledged out of this Territory, according to the laws of the place where executed shall be valid, and sufficient in law to convey said land and estate or interest therein, and the records of the same in the office of the Register of Deeds of the county where the lands are situated, shall have the same effect as though the said conveyances or letters of attorney were executed or acknowledged according to the laws of this Territory.

One witness does not invalidate.

SEC. 2. No deed or other conveyance of land within this Territory, or letters of attorney authorizing the same heretofore made in or out of this Territory shall be considered invalid by reason of not having more than one witness to the same, and to the records thereof to the same, and the records thereof shall be as effectual as though the same were executed in the presence of two witnesses.

Register to record upon affidavits.

SEC. 3. Every conveyance of land and letters of attorney for that purpose heretofore made and executed or to be made and executed for lands within this territory, shall be admitted to record in the Register's office, upon the affidavit of one or more of the subscribing witnesses, that the said conveyances or letters of attorney was signed or acknowledged in the presence of such witness or witnesses and the same shall be considered *prima facie* evidence of the execution of the same.

N. C. D. TAYLOR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
S. B. OLMSTEAD,
President of the Council.

APPROVED—March fourth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

W. A. GORMAN.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Saint Paul, Mich, April 3d, 1854. }

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a correct copy of the original act on file in this office.

J. TRAVIS ROSSER,
Secretary of the Territory of Minnesota.