

CHAPTER 55.

Of Sheriffs.

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1. There shall be a Sheriff for each judicial district of this island, who shall be appointed by the Governor in Council, and who shall hold office during pleasure, and who shall upon his appointment take such oaths and give such security as may be required for the performance of his duties.

2. The duties, power, authority and privileges of the said Sheriffs, as the same are now had, performed, exercised and enjoyed, are continued subject to any extension or alteration in these Consolidated Statutes contained.

3. The Sheriffs for the northern and southern judicial districts respectively, shall, from time to time, appoint and duly authorize, under their respective hands and seals, in the principal places within their respective judicial districts, a Deputy or Deputies, for the service and execution of all writs, rules, orders, and other process of the Supreme Court, which Deputy or Deputies shall possess, exercise, and discharge there the same powers and duties as the Sheriff if personally present; and for the acts of such Deputy or Deputies, where the process passes through the hands of the Sheriff, and not otherwise, the Sheriff making such appointments shall be responsible; and it shall be sufficient in all cases to deliver or cause to be delivered any writ, rule, or other process as aforesaid, to the Deputy Sheriff of the district wherein the same is required to be executed, without transmitting the same through the Sheriff; and the said respective Sheriffs are hereby required to furnish to each other and to the Sheriff of the Central District, for the information of all parties requiring the same, the names and additions of the Deputies appointed; and from time to time, in like manner, to furnish the names and additions of any further or other Deputies appointed, within one month after such appointment; and the Sheriff of the Central District, as well as the Sheriffs of the other districts aforesaid, shall keep hung up in their respective offices a list of such Deputies.

4. The Sheriff of the Central District may within the Central District appoint a Deputy or Deputies for whose acts he shall be responsible.

5. The said Sheriffs shall grant special deputations when required for the purpose of executing process either within or beyond the limits of their districts, and in any other part of this colony or its dependencies, when in the latter case such process may lawfully run beyond such limits; but the said Sheriffs shall not be responsible for the execution of such process by special deputation, but shall require the party applying for such special deputation to give security for the faithful execution of the process; and the party so applying and his sureties shall be liable to third parties for injury arising in or about the execution of the process in the same way as the Sheriff would have been liable to such third parties: Provided that the Sheriff shall be responsible for having taken insufficient security.