

THE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE  
JURISDICTION ACT

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THE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE  
JURISDICTION ACT

(Parts I, II and III 1850  
Part IV 31st October, 1866  
Part V 1st August, 1868  
Part VI 1849)

Cap. 188.  
Acts  
42 of 1969  
3rd Sch.,  
3 of 1994,  
31 of 1995,  
19 of 2000  
S. 23,  
21 of 2005  
S. 7,  
12 of 2006,  
24 of 2013  
2nd Sch.,  
10 of 2018  
S. 23.

1. This Act may be cited as the Justices of the Peace Jurisdiction Act. Short title.

PART I. *Summary Convictions and Orders*

2.—(1) In all cases where any information shall be laid before one or more of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for any parish within this Island, that any person has committed, or is suspected to have committed, any offence or act within the jurisdiction of such Justice or Justices for which he is liable by law, upon a summary conviction for the same before a Justice or Justices to be imprisoned or fined, or otherwise punished; and also in all cases where a complaint shall be made to any such Justice or Justices upon which he or they have, or shall have, authority by law to make any order for the payment of money or otherwise, then and in every such case it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices to issue his or their summons (according to Form (1) in the First Schedule), directed to such person, stating shortly the matter of such information or complaint, and requiring him to appear at a certain time and place before the same Justice or Justices, or before such other Justice or Justices of the same parish as shall then be there to answer to the said information or complaint, and to be further dealt with according to law; and every such summons shall be served by a constable

Power to  
issue  
summons.  
3/1994  
S. 2(a).

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Form (1).  
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or other peace officer, or other person to whom the same shall be delivered upon the person to whom it is so directed, by delivering the same to the party personally, or by leaving the same with some person for him at his last or most usual place of abode; and the constable, peace officer, or person who shall serve the same in manner aforesaid, shall attend at the time and place and before the Justices in the said summons mentioned, to depose, if necessary, to the service of the said summons:

Provided always, that nothing herein mentioned shall oblige any Justice or Justices to issue any such summons in any case where the application for any order of Justices is by law to be made *ex parte*:

Provided also that no objection shall be taken or allowed to any information, complaint, or summons for any alleged defect therein in substance or in form, or for any variance between such information, complaint, or summons, and the evidence adduced on the part of the informant or complainant at the hearing of such information or complaint as hereinafter mentioned; but if any such variance shall appear to the Justice or Justices present and acting at such hearing to be such that the party so summoned and appearing has been thereby deceived or misled, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, upon such terms as he or they shall think fit, to adjourn the hearing of the case to some future day.

(2) For the purposes of this Act any notice given under subsection (2) of section 53 of the National Solid Waste Management Act or subsection (2) of section 116 of the Road Traffic Act or any process, summons or other document under subsection (2)(c) of section 13 of the Transport Authority Act may be construed as an information and summons.

3. If the person so served with a summons as aforesaid shall not be and appear before the Justice or Justices at the time and place mentioned in such summons, and it shall be made to appear to such Justice or Justices, by oath or affirmation, that such summons was so served what shall be deemed by such Justice or Justices to be a reason-

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S. 2(b).  
21/2005  
S. 7.  
12/2006  
S. 2.

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able time before the time therein appointed for appearing to the same, then it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, if he or they shall think fit, upon oath or affirmation being made before him or them substantiating the matter of such information or complaint to his or their satisfaction, to issue his or their warrant (according to Form (2) in the First Schedule) to apprehend the party so summoned, and to bring him before the same Justice or Justices, or before some other Justice or Justices in and for the same parish, to answer to the said information or complaint, and to be further dealt with according to law; or upon such information being laid as aforesaid for any offence punishable on conviction, the Justice or Justices before whom such information shall have been laid may, if he or they shall think fit, upon oath or affirmation being made before him or them substantiating the matter of such information to his or their satisfaction, instead of issuing such summons as aforesaid, issue, in the first instance, his or their warrant (according to Form (3) in the First Schedule) for apprehending the person against whom such information shall have been so laid, and bringing him before the same Justice or Justices or before some other Justice or Justices in and for the same parish, to answer to the said information, and to be further dealt with according to law; or, if where a summons shall be so issued as aforesaid, and upon the day and at the place appointed in and by the said summons for the appearance of the party so summoned, such party shall fail to appear accordingly in obedience to such summons, then and in every such case, if it be proved upon oath or affirmation to the Justice or Justices then present that such summons was duly served upon such party a reasonable time before the time so appointed for his appearance as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices to proceed *ex parte* to the hearing of such information or complaint, and to adjudicate thereon as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as if such

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Form (2).  
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Form (3).  
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party had personally appeared before him or them in obedience to the said summons.

Provisions  
as to  
warrant.

4. Every such warrant to apprehend a defendant that he may answer to any such information or complaint as aforesaid shall be under the hand or hands of the Justice or Justices issuing the same, and may be directed either to any constable or other person by name, or generally to the constable of the parish within which the same is to be executed without naming him, or to such constable and all other constables within the parish within which the Justice or Justices issuing such warrant hath or have jurisdiction, or generally to all the constables within such last-mentioned parish; and it shall state shortly the matter of the information or complaint on which it is founded, and shall name, or otherwise describe, the person against whom it has been issued; and it shall order the constable or other person to whom it is directed to apprehend the said defendant, and to bring him before one or more Justice or Justices (as the case may require) of the same parish, to answer to the said information or complaint, and to be further dealt with according to law; and it shall not be necessary to make such warrant returnable at any particular time, but the same may remain in full force until it shall be executed:

Provided always, that no objection shall be taken or allowed to any such warrant to apprehend a defendant so issued upon any such information or complaint as aforesaid under or by virtue of this Part for any alleged defect therein in substance or in form, or for any variance between it and the evidence adduced on the part of the informant or complainant as hereinafter mentioned; but if any such variance shall appear to the Justice or Justices present and acting at such hearing, to be such that the party so apprehended under such warrant has been thereby deceived or misled, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, upon such terms as he or they shall think fit, to adjourn the hearing

of the case to some future day, and, in the meantime, to commit (according to Form (4) in the First Schedule) the said defendant to prison or to such other custody as the said Justice or Justices shall think fit, or grant him bail in accordance with the Bail Act.

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Schedule  
Form (4).  
31/1995  
S. 3.  
19/2000  
S. 23.

5. In any information or complaint, or the proceedings thereon, in which it shall be necessary to state the ownership of any property belonging to or in the possession of partners, joint tenants, parceners, or tenants in common, it shall be sufficient to name one of such persons, and to state the property to belong to the person so named, and another, or others, as the case may be; and whenever in any information or complaint, or the proceedings thereon, it shall be necessary to mention for any purpose whatsoever any partners, joint tenants, parceners, or tenants in common, it shall be sufficient to describe them in manner aforesaid; and whenever in any such information or complaint, or the proceedings thereon, it shall be necessary to describe the ownership of any work or building made, maintained or repaired at the expense of any parish, or of any materials for the making, altering or repairing of the same, or of any goods provided at the expense of any parish, the same may be described as the property or goods of the Parish Council of such parish, other than Kingston and St. Andrew, when the same shall be described as the property or goods of the Kingston and St. Andrew Corporation, and all materials and tools provided for the repair of highways at the expense of any parish may be described in like manner.

Description  
of property  
in informa-  
tion, etc.



Special  
summary  
jurisdiction of  
Justices in  
respect of  
certain  
enactments.  
31/1995  
S. 2.  
Second  
Schedule.  
10/2018  
S. 23(a).

5A. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other enactment, two Justices sitting together shall have and exercise summary jurisdiction in respect of criminal offences under any of the Acts specified in the Second Schedule so, however, that in respect of any such offence—

- (a) the maximum penalty imposed by the Justices shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars;
- (b) the maximum term of imprisonment imposed by the Justices shall not exceed three months; and
- (c) the Justices shall not have power to impose an order for forfeiture.

Accessories.

6. Every person who shall aid, abet, counsel, or procure the commission of any offence which is or hereafter shall be punishable on summary conviction, shall be liable to be proceeded against and convicted for the same, either together with the principal offender, or before or after his conviction, and shall be liable, on conviction, to the same forfeiture and punishment as such principal offender is or shall be by law liable, and may be proceeded against and convicted either in the parish where such principal offender may be convicted, or in that in which such offence of aiding, abetting, counselling, or procuring may have been committed.

Provision  
where order  
for payment  
of money.

7. In all cases of complaint upon which a Justice or Justices may make an order for the payment of money, or otherwise, it shall not be necessary that such complaint shall be in writing, unless it shall be required to be so by some particular enactment of this Island upon which such complaint shall be framed.

Informa-  
tions for  
offences  
punishable  
on summary  
conviction.

8. In all cases of informations for any offences or acts punishable upon summary conviction, any variance between such information and the evidence adduced in

support thereof as to the time at which such offence or act shall be alleged to have been committed shall not be deemed material, if it be proved that such information was in fact laid within the time limited by law for laying the same; and any variance between such information and the evidence adduced in support thereof, as to the parish in which the offence or act shall be alleged to have been committed, shall not be deemed material, provided that the offence or act be proved to have been committed within the jurisdiction of the Justice or Justices by whom such information shall be heard and determined; and if any such variance or any variance in any other respect between such information and the evidence adduced in support thereof, shall appear to the Justice or Justices present and acting at the hearing to be such that the party charged by such information has been thereby deceived or misled, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, upon such terms as he or they shall think fit, to adjourn the hearing of the case to some future day, and, in the meantime, to commit (according to Form (4) in the First Schedule) the said defendant to prison or to such other custody as the said Justice or Justices shall think fit, or to discharge him, upon his entering into a recognizance (according to Form (5) in the First Schedule), with or without surety or sureties, at the discretion of such Justice or Justices, conditioned for his appearance at the time and place to which such hearing shall be so adjourned.

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Form (4).  
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Form (5).  
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9. Every such complaint upon which a Justice or Justices is or are or shall be authorized by law to make an order and every information for any offence or act punishable upon summary conviction, unless some particular enactment of this Island shall otherwise require, may respectively be made or laid without any oath or affirmation being made of the truth thereof, except in cases of information where the Justice or Justices receiving the same shall there-

Manner of  
making  
complaint  
or laying  
information.

When warrant issued in first instance, information to be on oath.

Complaints and informations to embrace one matter only.

Limitation of time for complaints and information.

As to hearing of complaints or informations.

upon issue his or their warrant in the first instance to apprehend the defendant as aforesaid; and in every such case where the Justice or Justices shall issue his or their warrant in the first instance, the matter of such informations shall be substantiated by the oath or affirmation of the informant, or by some witness or witnesses on his behalf, before any such warrant shall be issued; and every such complaint shall be for one matter of complaint only, and not for two or more matters of complaint, and every such information shall be for one offence only, and not for two or more offences; and every such complaint or information may be laid or made by the complainant or informant in person, or by his counsel or solicitor, or other person authorized in that behalf.

10. In all cases where no time is already, or shall hereafter be, specially limited for making any such complaint or laying any such information, in the enactment or enactments of this Island relating to each particular case, such complaint shall be made, and such information shall be laid, within six calendar months from the time when the matter of such complaint or information respectively arose:

Provided that nothing in this section shall be deemed to apply to any case triable by a Resident Magistrate in the exercise of his special statutory summary jurisdiction.

11. Every such complaint and information shall be heard, tried, determined, and adjudged by one or two or more Justice or Justices, as shall be directed by the enactment upon which such complaint or information shall be framed, or such other enactment or enactments as there may be in that behalf; and if there be no such direction in any such enactment, then such complaint or information may be heard, tried, determined, and adjudged by any one Justice for the parish where the matter of such information shall have arisen; or with the consent of the complainant or informant and the defendant in any case of summary juris-

diction, any single Justice may exercise jurisdiction and adjudicate upon the matter of such complaint or information; and the room or place in which such Justice or Justices shall sit to hear and try any such complaint or information shall be deemed an open and public court, to which the public generally may have access, so far as the same can conveniently contain them, and the party against whom such complaint is made, or information laid, shall be admitted to make his full answer and defence thereto, and to have the witnesses examined and cross-examined by counsel or solicitor on his behalf; and every complainant or informant in any such case shall be at liberty to conduct such complaint or information respectively, and to have the witnesses examined and cross-examined by counsel or solicitor on his behalf.

12. If, at the day and place appointed in and by the summons aforesaid for hearing and determining such complaint or information, the defendant against whom the same shall have been made or laid shall not appear when called, the constable, or other person who shall have served him with the summons in that behalf shall then declare upon oath in what manner he served the said summons; and if it appear to the satisfaction of any Justice or Justices, that he duly served the said summons, in that case such Justice or Justices, may proceed to hear and determine the case in the absence of such defendant; or, the said Justice or Justices, upon the non-appearance of such defendant as aforesaid, may, if he or they think fit, issue his or their warrant in manner hereinbefore directed; and shall adjourn the hearing of the said complaint or information until the said defendant shall be apprehended; and when such defendant shall afterwards be apprehended under such warrant he shall be brought before the same Justice or Justices, or some other Justice or Justices of the same parish, who shall thereupon, either

Defendant  
not appear-  
ing course  
of  
proceeding  
to be  
observed.

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Form (6).  
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Defendant  
appearing,  
and com-  
plainant or  
informant *not*,  
what is to be  
done.

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Form (4).  
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Defendant  
failing to  
reappear. If  
both parties  
appear, Justice  
to hear and  
determine  
case.

Proceedings  
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plaints or in-  
formations.

by his or their warrant (according to Form (6) in the First Schedule), commit such defendant to prison or, if he or they think fit, verbally, to the custody of the constable or other person who shall have apprehended him, or to such other safe custody as he or they shall deem fit, and order the said defendant to be brought up at a certain time and place before such Justice or Justices as shall then be there, of which said order the complainant or informant shall have due notice; or, if, upon the day and at the place so appointed as aforesaid such defendant shall attend voluntarily, in obedience to the summons in that behalf served upon him, or shall be brought before the said Justice or Justices by virtue of any warrant, then, if the complainant or informant, having had such notice as aforesaid, do not appear by himself, his counsel, or solicitor, the said Justice or Justices shall dismiss such complaint or information, unless for some reason, he or they shall think proper to adjourn the hearing of the same unto some other day, upon such terms as he or they shall think fit, in which case such Justice or Justices may commit the defendant (according to Form (4) in the First Schedule), in the meantime, to prison or to such other custody as such Justice or Justices shall think fit; or may grant him bail in accordance with the Bail Act; and if both parties appear, either personally or by their respective counsel or solicitors, before the Justice or Justices who are to hear and determine such complaint or information, then the said Justice or Justices shall proceed to hear and determine the same.

13. Where such defendant shall be present at such hearing, the substance of the information or complaint shall be



stated to him, and he shall be asked if he have any cause to show why he should not be convicted, or why an order should not be made against him, as the case may be; and if he thereupon admit the truth of such information or complaint, and show no cause, or no sufficient cause, why he should not be convicted, or why an order should not be made against him, as the case may be, then the Justice or Justices present at the said hearing, shall convict him, or make an order against him accordingly; but if he do not admit the truth of such information or complaint as aforesaid, then the said Justice or Justices shall proceed to hear the prosecutor or complainant, and such witnesses as he may examine, and such other evidence as he may adduce in support of his information or complaint respectively, and also to hear the defendant and such witnesses as he may examine and such other evidence as he may adduce in his defence, and also to hear such witnesses as the prosecutor or complainant may examine in reply, if such defendant shall have examined any witnesses, or given any evidence other than as to his, the defendant's, general character; but the prosecutor or complainant shall not be entitled to make any observations in reply upon the evidence given by the defendant, nor shall the defendant be entitled to make any observations in reply upon the evidence given by the prosecutor or complainant in reply as aforesaid; and the said Justice or Justices, having heard what each party shall have to say as aforesaid, and the witnesses and evidence so adduced, shall consider the whole matter, and determine the same, and shall convict, or make an order upon, the defendant, or dismiss the information or complaint, as the case may be; and if he or they convict or make an order against the defendant, a minute or memorandum thereof shall then be made, for which no fee shall be paid; and the conviction (in the Form (7) (a), (7) (b), or (7) (c) of the First Schedule, or order, in the Form (8) (a), (8) (b), or (8) (c) of the First Schedule as the case may be), shall after-

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Form  
(7) (a), (7)  
(b), (7) (c), (8)  
(a), (8) (b),  
(8) (c),  
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Form (9).  
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Schedule  
Form (10).  
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wards be drawn up by the said Justice or Justices in proper form, under his or their hand or hands; and he or they shall cause the same to be lodged with the Clerk of the Courts to be by him filed among the records of the Court, or, if the said Justice or Justices shall dismiss such information or complaint, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, if he or they shall think fit, being required so to do, to make an order of dismissal of the same (according to Form (9) in the First Schedule), and shall give the defendant in that behalf a certificate thereof (according to Form (10) in the First Schedule), which said certificate afterwards, upon being produced without further proof, shall be a bar to any subsequent information or complaint for the same matters respectively against the same party:

Provided always, that if the information or complaint in any such case shall negative any exemption, exception, proviso or condition in the enactment on which the same shall be framed, it shall not be necessary for the prosecutor or complainant in that behalf to prove such negative, but the defendant may prove the affirmative thereof in his defence, if he would have advantage of the same.

Competency  
of witnesses.

14. Every prosecutor of any such information and every complainant in any such complaint as aforesaid, shall be a competent witness to support such information or complaint respectively; and every witness at any such hearing as aforesaid shall be examined upon oath or affirmation, and the Justice or Justices before whom any such witness shall appear for the purpose of being so examined shall have full power and authority to administer to every such witness the usual oath or affirmation.

Power to  
adjourn, and  
course of  
proceeding  
upon  
adjourn-  
ment.

15. Before or during such hearing of any such information or complaint, it shall be lawful for any one Justice or for the Justices present in their discretion to adjourn the hearing of the same to a certain time and place, to be

then appointed and stated in the presence and hearing of the party or parties, or their respective solicitors or agents then present; and in the meantime the said Justice or Justices may suffer the defendant to go at large or may commit him (according to Form (4) in the First Schedule) to prison or to such other safe custody as the Justice or Justices shall think fit, or may grant bail to the defendant in accordance with the Bail Act; and if, at the time or place to which such hearing or further hearing shall be so adjourned, either or both of the parties shall not appear personally, or by his or their counsel or solicitors respectively, before the said Justice or Justices or such other Justice or Justices as shall then be there, it shall be lawful for the Justice or Justices then and there present to proceed to such hearing, or further hearing, as if such party or parties were present; or, if the prosecutor or complainant shall not appear, the said Justice or Justices may dismiss such information or complaint, with or without costs, as to such Justices shall seem fit.

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Schedule  
Form (4).  
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S. 3.  
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16. In all cases of conviction where no particular form of such conviction is or shall be given by the enactment creating the offence, or regulating the prosecution for the same, and in all cases of conviction upon enactments hitherto passed whether any particular form of conviction have been therein given or not, it shall be lawful for the Justice or Justices who shall convict to draw up his or their conviction on paper in such one of the forms of conviction ( (7) (a), (7) (b) or (7) (c) ) in the First Schedule and shall be applicable to such case, or to the like effect; and where an order shall be made, and no particular form of order is or shall be given by the enactment giving authority to make such

Form of  
convictions  
and orders.

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Schedule  
Form  
(7) (a),  
(7) (b),  
(7) (c).  
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Schedule  
Form  
(8) (a),  
(8) (b),  
(8) (c).  
  
When  
minute of  
order to be  
served on  
defendant.  
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order, and in all cases of orders to be made under the authority of any enactments hitherto passed, whether any particular form of order shall therein be given or not, it shall be lawful for the Justice or Justices by whom such order is to be made to draw up the same in such one of the forms of orders (8) (a), (8) (b) or 8 (c) in the First Schedule as may be applicable to such case, or to the like effect; and in all cases where, by any enactment, authority is given to commit a person to prison, or to levy any sum upon his goods or chattels by distress for not obeying any order of a Justice or Justices, the defendant shall be served with a copy of the minute of such order, before any warrant of commitment or of distress shall issue in that behalf; and such order or minute shall not form any part of such warrant of commitment, or of distress.

Costs.

17. In all cases of summary conviction, or of orders made by a Justice or Justices, it shall be lawful for the Justice or Justices making the same, in his or their discretion, to award and order, in and by such conviction or order, that the defendant shall pay to the prosecutor or complainant respectively, such costs as to such Justice or Justices shall seem just and reasonable in that behalf; and in cases where such Justice or Justices instead of convicting or making an order as aforesaid, shall dismiss the information or complaint, it shall be lawful for him or them, in his or their discretion, in and by his or their order of dismissal, to award and order that the prosecutor or complainant respectively shall pay to the defendant such costs as to such Justice or Justices shall seem just and reasonable; and the sums so allowed for costs shall, in all cases, be specified in such conviction or order, or order of dismissal aforesaid; and the same shall be recoverable in the same manner and under the same warrants, as any penalty or sum of money adjudged to be paid in and by such conviction or order is to be recoverable; and in cases where there is no such

penalty or sum to be thereby recovered, then such costs shall be recoverable by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the party; and, in default of such distress, by imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for any time not exceeding ten days, unless such costs shall be sooner paid.

18. Where a conviction adjudges a pecuniary penalty or compensation to be paid, or where an order requires the payment of a sum of money, and by the enactment authorizing such conviction or order such penalty, compensation or sum of money is to be levied upon the goods and chattels of the defendant by distress and sale thereof, and also in cases where, by the enactment in that behalf, no mode of raising or levying such penalty, compensation or sum of money, or of enforcing the payment of the same, is stated or provided, it shall be lawful for the Justice or Justices making such conviction or order, or for any Justice for the same parish, to issue his or their warrant of distress (in the Form (11) (a) or (11) (b) of the First Schedule, as the case may be) for the purpose of levying the same, which said warrant of distress shall be in writing, under the hand of the Justice making the same:

Power to  
issue  
warrant of  
distress.

First  
Schedule  
Form  
(11) (a),  
(11) (b).  
31/1995  
S. 3.

Provided always, that whenever it shall appear to any Justice to whom application shall be made for any such warrant of distress as aforesaid that the issuing thereof would be ruinous to the defendant and his family, or wherever it shall appear to such Justice, by the confession of the defendant or otherwise, that he hath no goods or chattels whereon to levy such distress, then and in every such case it shall be lawful for such Justice, if he shall deem it fit, instead of issuing such warrant of distress, to commit such defendant to prison with or without hard labour, for such time and in such manner as by law such defendant might be so committed in case such warrant of distress had issued, and no goods or chattels could be

When  
defendant  
may be  
committed  
in first  
instance.



found whereon to levy such penalty or sum and costs aforesaid. The power conferred upon Justices by this proviso shall be deemed to be conferred, under the circumstances stated therein, in all cases in which by law a Justice is empowered to commit to prison in default of sufficient distress to satisfy a penalty or order.

Justice  
after  
issuing  
warrant of  
distress may  
suffer  
defendant to  
go at large,  
etc.

19. In all cases where a Justice shall issue any such warrant of distress, it shall be lawful for him to suffer the defendant to go at large, or verbally, or by a written warrant in that behalf, to order the defendant to be kept and detained in safe custody until return shall be made to such warrant of distress, unless such defendant shall give sufficient security, by recognizance or otherwise, to the satisfaction of such Justice, for his appearance before him at the time and place appointed for the return of such warrant of distress, or before such other Justice or Justices for the same parish as may then be there:

Provided always, that in all cases where a defendant shall give security by recognizance as aforesaid, and shall not afterwards appear at the time and place in such recognizance mentioned, then the said Justice who shall have taken the said recognizance, or any Justice or Justices who may then be there present, may proceed to enforce the recognizance in accordance with the Recognizances and Sureties of the Peace Act.

In default  
of distress  
Justice may  
commit  
defendant to  
prison.  
First  
Schedule  
Form  
(11)(c).  
31/1995  
S. 3.

20. If, at the time and place appointed for the return of any such warrant of distress, the constable who shall have had the execution of the same shall return (in the Form (11) (c) in the First Schedule) that he could find no goods or chattels, or no sufficient goods or chattels, whereon he could levy the sum or sums therein mentioned, together with the costs of or occasioned by the levying of the same, it shall be lawful for the Justice before whom the same shall be returned to issue his warrant of commitment (in the

Form (11) (d) of the First Schedule) under his hand, directed to the same or any other constable, reciting the conviction or order shortly, the issuing of the warrant of distress, and the return thereto, and requiring such constable to convey such defendant to prison and there to deliver him to the Superintendent or other head officer thereof, and requiring such Superintendent or other head officer to receive the defendant into such prison, and there to imprison him, or to imprison him and keep him to hard labour, in such manner and for such time as shall have been directed and appointed by the enactment on which the conviction or order mentioned in such warrant of distress was founded, unless the sum or sums adjudged to be paid, and all costs and charges of the distress and also the costs and charges of the commitment (the amount thereof being ascertained and stated in such commitment) shall be sooner paid.

First  
Schedule  
Form  
(11) (d).  
31/1995  
S. 3.

21. In cases where, by any enactment, Justices are authorized to issue warrants of distress to levy penalties, or other sums recovered before them, by distress and sale of the offender's goods, but no further remedy is thereby provided if no sufficient distress be found whereon to levy such penalties; and in all cases of convictions or orders where the enactment on which the same are respectively founded provides no remedy in case it shall be returned to a warrant of distress hereon that no sufficient goods of the party against whom such warrant shall have been issued can be found; and also in cases in which it is returned to a warrant of distress, issued under the authority of this Act, for levying any penalty, compensation or sum of money, adjudged or ordered to be paid by any conviction or order, that no sufficient goods of the party against whom such warrant was issued can be found, where the enactment on which the conviction or order is founded provides no mode of raising or levying such penalty, compensation or sum of money, or enforcing payment of the same, it shall neverthe-

Cases where  
Act provides  
no remedy  
in default  
of distress.

See Part V.

less be lawful for the Justice to whom such return is made, or to any other Justice for the same parish, if he or they shall think fit, by his warrant as aforesaid to commit the defendant to prison for a term not exceeding three calendar months, unless the sum or sums adjudged to be so paid, and all costs and charges of the distress, and of the commitment (the amount thereof being ascertained and stated in such commitment) shall be sooner paid, and in case of a conviction the imprisonment may be either with or without hard labour.

Power to  
Justice to  
commit in  
first instance  
in certain  
cases.

First  
Schedule  
Form  
(12) (a),  
(12) (b),  
31/1995  
S. 3.

22. In all cases where the enactment by virtue of which a conviction for a penalty or compensation, or an order for the payment of money is made, makes no provision for such penalty or compensation or sum being levied by distress, but directs that if the same be not paid forthwith, or within a certain time therein mentioned, or to be mentioned in such conviction or order, the defendant shall be imprisoned, or imprisoned and kept to hard labour, for a certain time, unless such penalty, compensation or sum shall be sooner paid, in every such case such penalty, compensation or sum shall not be levied by distress; but if the defendant do not pay the same, together with costs, if awarded, forthwith, or at the time specified in such conviction or order, for the payment of the same, it shall be lawful for the Justice or Justices making such conviction or order, or for any other Justice for the same parish, to issue his or their warrant of commitment (in the Form (12) (a) or (12) (b) of the First Schedule, as the case may be), under his or their hand or hands, requiring the constable or constables to whom the same shall be directed, to take and convey such defendant to prison, and there to deliver him to the Superintendent or other head officer thereof, and requiring such Superintendent or other head officer to receive such defendant into such prison and there to imprison him, or to imprison him and keep him to hard labour, as the case

may be, for such time as the enactment on which such conviction or order is founded as aforesaid shall direct, unless the sum or sums adjudged to be paid and also all costs and charges shall be sooner paid.

23. Where a conviction does not order the payment of any penalty, but that the defendant be imprisoned or imprisoned and kept to hard labour, for his offence; or where an order is not for the payment of money, but for the doing of some other act, and directs that in case of the defendant's neglect or refusal to do such act he shall be imprisoned, or imprisoned and kept to hard labour, and the defendant neglects or refuses to do such act; in every such case it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices making such conviction or order, or for some other Justice for the same parish, to issue his or their warrant of commitment (in the Form (13) (a) or (13) (b) of the First Schedule, as the case may be), under his or their hand or hands, and requiring the constable or constables to whom the same shall be directed, to take and convey such defendant to prison and there to deliver him to the Superintendent or other head officer thereof, and requiring such Superintendent or other head officer to receive such defendant into such prison, and there to imprison him, or to imprison him and keep him to hard labour, as the case may be, for such time as the enactment on which such conviction or order is founded as aforesaid shall direct; and in all such cases, where by such conviction or order any sum for costs shall be adjudged to be paid by the defendant to the prosecutor or complainant, such sum may, if the Justice or Justices shall think fit, be levied by warrant of distress (in the Form (13) (c) or (13) (d) of the First Schedule, as the case may be), in manner aforesaid; and, in default of distress, the defendant may, if such Justice or Justices shall think fit, be committed

Power to Justice to commit where the conviction is not for a penalty, nor the order for payment of money, and the punishment, etc.

First Schedule Form (13) (a), (13) (b), 31/1995 S. 3.

First Schedule Form (13) (c), (13) (d).

First  
Schedule  
Form  
(13) (e).  
31/1995  
S. 3.

(in the Form (13) (e) of the First Schedule) to the same prison, in manner aforesaid, there to be imprisoned for a term not exceeding one calendar month, to commence at the termination of the imprisonment he shall then be undergoing, unless such sum for costs, and all costs and charges of the said distress, and also the costs and charges of the commitment, shall be sooner paid.

Imprison-  
ment for  
second  
offence to  
commence at  
expiration  
of that for  
previous  
offence.

24. Where a Justice or Justices, shall, upon any such information or complaint as aforesaid, adjudge the defendant to be imprisoned, and such defendant shall then be in prison undergoing imprisonment upon a conviction for any other offence, the warrant of commitment for such subsequent offence shall, in every such case, be forthwith delivered to the Superintendent or other head officer to whom the same shall be directed; and it shall be lawful for the Justice or Justices issuing the same, if he or they shall think fit, to award and order therein and thereby that the imprisonment for such subsequent offence shall commence at the expiration of the imprisonment to which such defendant shall have been previously adjudged or sentenced.

Information  
dismissed,  
costs may be  
recovered  
from  
prosecutor,  
etc.  
First  
Schedule  
Form  
(14) (a).  
31/1995  
S. 3.  
First  
Schedule  
Form  
(14) (b).  
31/1995  
S. 3.

25. Where any information or complaint shall be dismissed with costs as aforesaid, the sum which shall be awarded for costs in the order for dismissal may be levied by distress (in accordance with Form (14) (a) of the First Schedule) on the goods and chattels of the prosecutor or complainant in manner aforesaid, and in default of distress or payment, such prosecutor or complainant may be committed (in accordance with Form (14) (b) of the First Schedule) to prison, in manner aforesaid, for a term not exceeding ten days, unless such sum, and all costs and charges of the distress, and of the commitment (the amount thereof being ascertained and stated in such commitment) shall be sooner paid.



26. In all cases where any person against whom a warrant of distress shall issue as aforesaid shall pay or tender to the constable having the execution of the same the sum or sums in such warrant mentioned, together with the amount of the expenses of such distress up to the time of such payment or tender, such constable shall cease to execute the same, and in all cases in which any person shall be imprisoned as aforesaid for non-payment of any penalty or other sum, he may pay, or cause to be paid, to the Superintendent or other head officer of the prison in which he shall be so imprisoned, the sum in the warrant of commitment mentioned, together with the amount of the costs, charges, and expenses (if any) therein also mentioned; and the said Superintendent or other head officer shall receive the same, and shall thereupon discharge such person, if he be in his custody for no other matter.

Defendant  
may tender  
payment to  
constable or  
gaoler.

27. In all cases of summary proceedings before a Justice or Justices out of sessions, upon any information or complaint as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for one Justice to receive such information or complaint, and to grant a summons or warrant thereon, and to issue his summons or warrant to compel the attendance of any witness, and to do other necessary acts and matters preliminary to the hearing, even in cases where, by the law in that behalf, such information or complaint must be heard and determined by two or more Justices; and, after the case shall have been so heard and determined, one Justice may issue all warrants of distress or commitment thereon; and it shall not be necessary that the Justice who so acts before or after such hearing shall be the Justice or one of the Justices by whom the said case shall be heard and determined:

In summary  
proceedings  
one Justice  
may issue  
summons or  
warrant, etc.,  
and, after  
conviction or  
order, may  
issue  
warrant  
of distress.

Provided always, that in all cases where by law it is or shall be required that any such information or complaint shall be heard and determined by two or more Justices, or that a conviction or order shall be made by two or

more Justices, such Justices must be present and acting together during the whole of the hearing and determination of the case.

Forms in  
First  
Schedule  
relating to  
proceedings  
under  
Part I.  
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S. 3.

**28.** The several forms in the First Schedule relating to proceedings under this Part or forms to the like effect shall be deemed good and valid and sufficient in law; and it shall not be necessary to the validity thereof that the same shall be, or purport to be, made under seal.

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## PART II. *Committal Proceedings*

### *Indictable Offences*

When  
Justice  
may cause  
party to be  
brought  
before him.  
First  
Schedule.  
Form (15).  
31/1995  
S. 3.

**29.** In all cases where a charge or complaint (according to Form (15) in the First Schedule), shall be made before any one or more of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for any parish within this Island that any person has committed, or is suspected to have committed, any treason, felony, or indictable misdemeanour or other indictable offence whatsoever within the limits of the jurisdiction of such Justice or Justices or that any person guilty or suspected to be guilty, of having committed any such crime or offence elsewhere out of the jurisdiction of such Justice or Justices, is residing or being, or is suspected to reside or be, within the limits of the jurisdiction of such Justice or Justices, then and in every such case, if the person so charged or complained against shall not then be in custody, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices to issue his or their warrant (according to Form (16) in the First Schedule), to apprehend such person, and to cause him to be brought before such Justice or Justices or any other Justice or Justices for the same parish, to be dealt with according to law:

First Schedule  
Form (16).  
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Provided always, that in all cases it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices to whom such charge or complaint shall be preferred, if he or they shall so think fit, instead

of issuing in the first instance his or their warrant to apprehend the person so charged or complained against to issue his or their summons (according to Form (17) in the First Schedule), directed to such person, requiring him to appear before the said Justice or Justices at a time and place to be therein mentioned, or before such other Justice or Justices of the said parish as may then be there; and if, after being served with such summons in manner hereinafter mentioned, he shall fail to appear at such time and place in obedience to such summons, then and in every such case the said Justice or Justices, or any other Justice or Justices for the said parish, may issue his or their warrant (according to Form (18) in the First Schedule), to apprehend such person so charged or complained against and cause such person to be brought before him or them, or before some other Justice or Justices for the said parish, to be dealt with according to law:

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Schedule  
Form (17).  
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First  
Schedule  
Form (18).  
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S. 3.  
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Provided, nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall prevent any Justice or Justices from issuing the warrant hereinbefore first-mentioned at any time before or after the time mentioned in such summons for the appearance of the said accused party.

**30.** It shall be lawful for any Justice or Justices to grant or issue any warrant as aforesaid, or any search warrant, on a Sunday as well as on any other day.

Power to  
Justice to  
issue warrants  
on a Sunday.

**31.** In all cases where a charge or complaint for any indictable offence shall be made before such Justice or Justices as aforesaid, if it be intended to issue a warrant in the first instance against the party or parties so charged, a written information and complaint thereof (according to Form (15) in the First Schedule), on the oath or affirmation of the informant, or of some witnesses in that behalf, shall be laid before such Justice or Justices:

When  
information  
in writing  
necessary.

First  
Schedule  
Form (15)  
31/1995  
S. 3.



Provided always, that in all cases where it is intended to issue a summons instead of a warrant in the first instance, it shall not be necessary that such information and complaint shall be in writing, or be sworn to or affirmed in manner aforesaid, but in every such case such information and complaint may be by parole merely, and without any oath or affirmation whatsoever to support or substantiate the same:

Provided also, that no objection shall be taken or allowed to any such information or complaint for any alleged defect therein in substance, or in form, or for any variance between it and the evidence adduced on the part of the prosecution.

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Procedure to  
compel  
attendance  
of person  
charged.

First  
Schedule  
Form (17).  
31/1995  
S. 3.

**32.** Upon such information and complaint being so laid as aforesaid, the Justice or Justices receiving the same may, if he or they shall think fit, issue his or their summons or warrant respectively as, hereinbefore is directed, to cause the person charged as aforesaid to be and appear before him or them, or any other Justice or Justices for the said parish, to be dealt with according to law; and every such summons (according to Form (17) in the First Schedule) shall be directed to the party so charged in and by such information, and shall state shortly the matter of such information, and shall require the party to whom it is so directed to be and appear at a certain time and place therein mentioned before the Justice who shall issue such summons, or before such other Justice or Justices of the

said parish as may then be there, to be dealt with according to law; and every such summons shall be served by a constable or other peace officer upon the person to whom it is so directed, by delivering the same to the party personally, or, if he cannot conveniently be met with, then by leaving the same with some person for him at his last or most usual place of abode; and the constable or other peace officer who shall have served the same in manner aforesaid shall attend at the time and place, and before the Justices in the said summons mentioned, to depose, if necessary, to the service of such summons; and if the person so served shall not be and appear before the Justice or Justices at the time and place mentioned in such summons in obedience to the same, then it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices to issue his or their warrant (according to Form (18) in the First Schedule), for apprehending the party so summoned, and bringing him before such Justice or Justices, or some other Justice or Justices for the said parish, to be dealt with according to law:

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First  
Schedule  
Form (18).  
31/1995  
S. 3.  
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2nd Sch.

Provided always, that no objection shall be taken or allowed to any such summons or warrant for any alleged defect therein in substance or in form, or for any variance between it and the evidence adduced on the part of the prosecution.

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2nd Sch.

**33.** Every warrant (according to Form (18) in the First Schedule) hereafter to be issued by any Justice or Justices to apprehend any person charged with any indictable offence shall be under the hand or hands of the Justice or Justices issuing the same, and may be directed either to any

Warrant to  
apprehend.  
First  
Schedule  
Form (18).  
31/1995  
S. 3.

constable or other person by name, or generally to the constable of the parish within which the same is to be executed, without naming him; or to such constable, and all other constables or peace officers in the parish within which the Justice or Justices issuing such warrant has or have jurisdiction; or generally to all the constables or peace officers within such last-mentioned parish; and it shall state shortly the offence on which it is founded, and shall name or otherwise describe the offender, and it shall order the person or persons to whom it is directed to apprehend the offender, and bring him before the Justice or Justices issuing the said warrant, or before some other Justice or Justices for the said parish, to be dealt with according to law; and it shall not be necessary to make such warrant returnable at any particular time, but the same may remain in force until it shall be executed:

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Defects in  
substance or  
form of  
warrant.  
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2nd Sch.

Provided always, that no objection shall be taken or allowed to any such warrant for any defect therein in substance or in form, or for any variance between it and the evidence adduced on the part of the prosecution.

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2nd Sch.

**34.** *[Repealed by Act 24/2013, 2nd Sch.]*.

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**35.** *[Repealed by Act 24/2013, 2nd Sch.]*.

36. *[Repealed by Act 24 of 2013, 2nd Sch.]*.

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2nd Sch.

37. *[Repealed by Act 24 of 2013, 2nd Sch.]*.

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2nd Sch.

38. *[Repealed by Act 24 of 2013, 2nd Sch.]*.

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2nd Sch.

39.—(1) If, for any reasonable cause it becomes necessary or advisable to do so, it shall be lawful to and for the Justice or Justices before whom the accused shall appear or be brought, by his or their warrant (in the Form (23) (a) of the First Schedule) from time to time to remand the party accused, for such time as by such Justice or Justices in their discretion shall be deemed to be reasonable, not exceeding eight clear days, to prison.

Power to  
remand, etc.  
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2nd Sch.  
  
First  
Schedule  
Form  
(23 (a)).  
31/1995  
S. 3.

(2) In any case in which it becomes necessary or desirable as aforesaid, and the Justice or Justices before whom such accused party appears or is brought is or are willing that such accused party, instead of being detained in custody, should be granted bail in accordance with the Bail Act, it shall be lawful for the said Justice or Justices to order accordingly.

Power to  
Justices in  
certain cases  
to defer  
examination  
for fourteen  
days.  
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S. 23.  
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(3) If the remand be for a time not exceeding three clear days, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices verbally to order the constable or other person in whose custody such party accused may then be, or any other constable or person to be named by the said Justice or Justices

Remand not  
exceeding  
three days.



in that behalf, to continue or keep such party accused in his custody, and to bring him before the same or such other Justice or Justices as shall be there acting at the time appointed:

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Provided always, that any such Justice or Justices may order such accused party to be brought before him or them, or before any other Justice or Justices of the Peace, for the same parish, at any time before the expiration of the time for which such accused party shall be so remanded; and the Superintendent or other head officer in whose custody he shall then be shall duly obey such order:

Provided also, that instead of detaining the accused party in custody during the period for which he shall be so remanded, any one Justice before whom such accused party shall so appear or be brought as aforesaid may grant him bail in accordance with the Bail Act.

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Power to  
remand  
accused  
persons  
limited to  
certain  
cases.

(4) The power by warrant to remand, or verbally to order the continued detention of an accused person conferred by this section shall be deemed to be conferred in cases only where an information upon oath shall have been or shall be laid, and where the Justice or Justices shall have satisfied himself, or themselves, by evidence on oath, that there were was reasonable ground for apprehending the prisoner, and that there is a reasonable probability of evidence being forthcoming to prove the charge against him.

Appearance  
of accused in  
parish other  
than that  
where offence  
charged to  
have been  
committed.  
24/2013  
2nd Sch.

**40.—**(1) Where a person appears, or is brought before a Justice in the parish in which that Justice has jurisdiction, charged with an offence alleged to have been committed by that person in any other parish the Justice or Justices shall act in accordance with subsection (2).



(2) The Justice shall examine such witnesses and receive such evidence as is produced before him in proof of the charge and if in his opinion the evidence is— 24/2013  
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(a) sufficient proof of the charge the Justice shall remand the accused person in custody or grant him bail in accordance with the Bail Act;

(b) not sufficient to put the accused person upon trial for the offence charged then he shall—

(i) by warrant under his hand according to Form (24) in the First Schedule, order the accused person to be taken before the Justice in the parish where the offence is alleged to have been committed; and

(ii) at the same time deliver the information and complaint and any other relevant documents to the constable or other officer responsible for the execution of the warrant to be delivered by him to the Justice referred to in sub-paragraph (i).

**41.** Where any person shall appear or be brought before a Justice charged with any felony, or with any assault with intent to commit any felony, or with any attempt to commit any felony, or with obtaining or attempting to obtain property by Bail.

false pretences, or with a misdemeanor in receiving property stolen or obtained by false pretences, or with perjury, or subornation of perjury, or with concealment of the birth of a child, or with willful or indecent exposure of the person, or with riot, or with assault in pursuance of a conspiracy to raise wages, or assault upon a peace officer in the execution of his duty, or upon any person acting in his aid, or with neglect or breach of duty as a peace officer, or with any misdemeanor for the prosecution of which the costs may be allowed out of the public funds of this Island, such Justice may, in his discretion, grant bail to such person in accordance with the Bail Act; and thereupon such Justice shall take the recognizance (in the Form (25)(a) or (25)(b) of the First Schedule, as the case may be), of the said accused person and his surety or sureties conditioned for the appearance of such accused person at the time and place of trial, and that he will then surrender and take his trial, and not depart the court without leave; and in all cases where a person charged with any indictable offence shall be committed to prison to take his trial for the same, it shall be lawful at any time afterwards and before the first day of the sitting of the court at which he is to be tried, or before the day to which such court may be adjourned, for the Justice or Justices who shall have signed the warrant for his commitment, in his or their discretion, to grant him bail in manner aforesaid; or if such committing Justice or Justices shall be of opinion that for any of the offences hereinbefore mentioned the said accused person ought to be granted bail, he or they shall, in such cases, and in all other cases of misdemeanours, certify (in the Form (25)(c) of the First Schedule) on the back of the warrant of commitment his or their consent to such accused party being bailed, stating also the amount of bail which ought to be required, and it shall be lawful for any Justice attending or being at the prison where such accused party shall be in custody, on production of such certificate, to grant him bail in manner aforesaid; or if it shall

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First  
Schedule  
Forms  
(25) (a),  
(25) (b).  
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Schedule  
Form  
(25)(c).  
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be inconvenient for the surety or sureties in such a case to attend at such prison to join with such accused person in the recognizance of bail, then such committing Justice or Justices may make a duplicate of such certificate (according to the Form (25) (d) of the First Schedule), and, upon the same being produced to any Justice for the same parish, it shall be lawful for such last-mentioned Justice to take recognizance of the surety or sureties in conformity with such certificate; and upon such recognizance being transmitted to the Keeper of such prison, and produced, together with the certificate on the warrant of commitment as aforesaid, to any Justice attending or being at such prison, it shall be lawful for such last-mentioned Justice thereupon to take the recognizance of such accused party, and to order him to be discharged out of custody as to that commitment, as hereinafter mentioned; and where any person shall be charged before any Justice with any indictable misdemeanor other than those hereinbefore mentioned, such Justice with the examinations, instead of committing him to prison for such offence, shall grant him bail in manner aforesaid; or, if he has been committed to prison, and shall apply to any one of the Visiting Justices of such prison, or to any other Justice for the same parish, before the first day of the sitting of the court at which he is to be tried, or before the day to which such court may be adjourned, to be granted bail, such Justice shall accordingly grant him bail in manner aforesaid; and in all cases where such accused person in custody shall be granted bail by a Justice other than the committing Justice or Justices as aforesaid, such Justice so granting him bail shall forthwith transmit the recognizance or recognizances of bail to the committing Justice or Justices, or one of them, to be by him or them transmitted with the examinations, to the proper officer:

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Form  
(25) (d).  
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Provided nevertheless, that no Justice or Justices shall grant bail to any person for treason nor shall such person

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be granted bail, except by order of a Judge of the Supreme Court.

Warrant of  
deliverance.

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Schedule  
Form  
(25) (e).  
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S. 23.

**42.** In all cases where a Justice or Justices shall admit to bail any person who shall then be in any prison charged with the offence for which he shall be so granted bail, such Justice or Justices shall send to, or cause to be lodged with, the Superintendent or other head officer of such prison, a warrant of deliverance (in the Form (25) (e) of the First Schedule), under his or their hand or hands, requiring the said Superintendent or other head officer to discharge the person so granted bail, if he be detained for no other offence; and upon such warrant of deliverance being delivered to or lodged with such Superintendent or other head officer, he shall forthwith obey the same.

**43.** [*Repealed by Act 24 of 2013, 2nd Sch.*]

**44.** [*Repealed by Act 24 of 2013, 2nd Sch.*]

**45.** [*Repealed by Act 24 of 2013, 2nd Sch.*]

Forms in  
First  
Schedule,  
numbered  
(15) to (26).  
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S. 3.

**46.** The several forms in the First Schedule contained, relating to procedure under this Part, or forms to the same or the like effect, shall be deemed good, valid and sufficient in law.

### PART III. General Provisions

Power to  
summon  
witnesses.

**47.** If it shall be made to appear to any Justice by the oath or affirmation of any credible person that any person is likely to give material evidence on behalf of the prosecutor, or complainant, or defendant in proceedings under Part I or on

behalf of the prosecution or defence under the Committal Proceedings Act, 2013, such Justice may, and is hereby required to issue his summons in the Form (27) or (28) of the First Schedule, as the case may require, to such person, under his hand, requiring him to be and appear at a time and place mentioned in such summons before such Justice or before such other Justice or Justices for the same parish as shall then be there to testify what he shall know concerning the matter of the information or complaint under Part I, or charge made against the accused party under the Committal Proceedings Act, 2013; and if such person so summoned shall neglect or refuse to appear at the time and place appointed by the said summons, and no just excuse shall be offered for such neglect or refusal, then (after proof upon oath or affirmation of such summons having been served upon such person either personally or by leaving the same for him with some person at his last or most usual place of abode; and—with regard to proceedings under Part I—that a reasonable sum was paid or tendered to him for his costs in that behalf), it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, before whom such person should have appeared, to issue a warrant in the Form (29) or (30) of the First Schedule, as the case may require, under his or their hands, to bring and have such person at a time and place to be therein mentioned, before the Justice who issued the said summons, or before such other Justice or Justices for the same parish as shall then be there, to testify as aforesaid; and which said warrant may be executed out of the jurisdiction of the Justice who shall have issued the same; or, if such Justice shall be satisfied by evidence upon oath or affirmation that it is probable that such person will not attend to give evidence without being compelled so to do, then, instead of issuing such summons, it shall be lawful for him to issue his warrant in the Form (31) or (32) of the First Schedule, as the case may require, in the first instance; and if, on the appearance of such person so summoned before the said last-mentioned Justice or Justices, either in obedience to the said summons or upon being brought before him or them by virtue of the said warrant, such person shall refuse to be examined upon oath or affirmation, or shall refuse to take such oath or affirmation, or

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Schedule  
Forms  
(27), (28).  
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Forms  
(29),(30).  
31/1995  
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Schedule  
Forms  
(31), (32).  
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Schedule  
Forms  
(33), (34).  
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S. 3.

having taken such oath or affirmation shall refuse to answer such questions concerning the premises as shall then be put to him, without offering any just excuse for such refusal, any Justice then present, and having there jurisdiction may by warrant (in the Form (33) or (34) of the First Schedule, as the case may require) under his hand commit the person so refusing to prison there to remain and be imprisoned for any time not exceeding seven days, unless he shall, in the meantime consent to be examined and to answer concerning the premises:

First  
Schedule  
Form (29).

Provided, however, that where the information or complaint is preferred by the police, and the witness is a witness summoned by them, it shall not be necessary before and issue of a warrant (in Form (29) ) to prove that a reasonable sum was paid or tendered to him for his costs and expenses in that behalf.

Power of  
Justices to  
order pro-  
duction of  
documents.

**48.** The provisions of any laws relating to the administration of criminal justice enabling a Justice to issue a summons of any witness to attend to give evidence before a court of summary jurisdiction, shall be deemed to include the power to summon and require a witness to produce to such court books, plans, papers, documents, articles, goods and things likely to be material evidence on the hearing of any charge, information, or complaint and the provisions of those sections relating to the neglect or refusal of a witness, without just excuse, to attend and give evidence or to be sworn, or to give evidence, shall apply accordingly.

Provision to  
execute  
warrant in  
any parish.

**49.—(1)** Any warrant lawfully issued by a Justice for compelling the appearance of any person or for apprehending any person charged with an offence, whether punishable on summary conviction or on indictment, and any warrants of



commitment, search warrant or warrant of distress, lawfully issued by a Justice, may be executed in any parish in Jamaica outside the jurisdiction of the Justice by whom it was issued in the same manner as if it had originally been issued by a Justice having jurisdiction in that parish and the execution may be effected either by any person to whom the warrant was originally directed or by any constable, and in the case of a warrant of commitment the person apprehended may be conveyed either to the prison mentioned in the warrant or to any other prison.

(2) The power of a Justice under section 47 to issue process for the purpose of obtaining the attendance as a witness of any person, and under section 48 to summon and require any such person to attend as a witness and to produce such books, plans, papers, documents, articles, goods and things as are mentioned in the said section, shall be extended so as to authorize the issue of such process in the case of a person who though not within the jurisdiction of the Justice is in any parish in Jamaica.

**50.** Whenever a Justice shall issue his warrant to compel the attendance of any person to give evidence, the constable or other officer executing such warrant, or otherwise in charge of such person thereunder, shall, when required by such person so to do, immediately take him before the Justice issuing such warrant, or before any Resident Magistrate or any Justice having the power of two Justices; and it shall be lawful for the Resident Magistrate or Justice before whom such person is so taken, in his discretion to admit such person to bail, in such amount as to such Resident Magistrate or Justice shall seem proper, conditioned for the appearance of such person at the time and place in the warrant specified, to testify what he shall know concerning the charge or complaint in question.

Power to  
bail witness-  
es arrested  
under war-  
rants.

Subpoena,  
summons or  
warrant  
issued in  
one parish  
may be  
served or  
executed in  
another.

**51.** Every subpoena, summons to compel the appearance of any person, or warrant for the apprehension of any person charged with any offence, issued by an Justice or Justices in any parish, may be served or executed out of such parish by the policeman or constable to whom the same shall be directed, or any other policeman or constable, and shall have the same force and effect as if the same had been originally issued, or subsequently endorsed, by a Justice or Justices having jurisdiction in the parish where the same shall be served or executed.

Bail may  
be taken in  
any parish in  
which party  
apprehended.  
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**52.** It shall be lawful for any Justice before whom any person shall be brought under a warrant, and who shall be apprehended in another parish other than that in which the offence was committed, to grant bail in accordance with the Bail Act, by recognizance, for the appearance of such person before the Justices of the parish in which the offence was committed, in such an amount as the Justice shall think fit.

Justice for  
two parishes  
may act for  
one whilst  
residing in  
the other.

**53.** In cases where a Justice for any parish in this Island shall be also a Justice for any other parish in the said Island, it shall and may be lawful for such Justice to act as such Justice for the one parish whilst he is residing or happens to be in the other such parish in all matters and things in this Act mentioned; and all such acts of such Justice, and the acts of any constable or other officer in obedience thereto, shall be as valid, good, and effectual in the law, to all intents and purposes, as if such Justice, at the time he shall so act as aforesaid, were in the parish for which he shall so act; and all constables, and other officers for the parish for which such Justice shall so act as aforesaid, are hereby authorized and required to obey the warrants, orders, directions, act or acts of such Justice which in that behalf shall be granted, given or done; and to do and perform their several offices and duties in respect thereof under the penalties to which any constable or other officer may be liable for a neglect of duty; and any such constable or other peace officer, or any other person apprehending or taking into custody any person offending against law, and whom he lawfully may and ought to apprehend or take into custody by virtue of his office or otherwise in any such parish, may lawfully take and convey such person so apprehended and taken as



aforesaid to and before any such Justice for such parish, whilst such Justice shall be in such other parish as aforesaid; and the said constables and other peace officers, and all such other persons as aforesaid, are hereby authorized and required, in all such cases, so to act in all things as if the said Justice were within the said parish for which he shall so act.

54. All and singular the provisions, remedies and forms prescribed and given by Part I or by any section relating to proceedings under Part I shall be construed to extend wherever applicable to all Statutes of this Island heretofore enacted and hereinafter to be passed, and under which a summary jurisdiction has been, or shall be given to Justices of the Peace.

Part I to extend to later Acts giving summary jurisdiction to Justices.

55. The forms relating to proceedings under Part I may be adapted to meet the varying circumstances of each case which may have arisen, or may arise, in the application thereof; and the said forms may be simplified in their frame and language, provided the substance and effect thereof be preserved.

Forms relating to proceedings under Part I.

56. Any person interested in the execution of any distress warrant may assume the defence of any action which may be brought against any police officer, or other person in respect of the execution of any such warrant.

Person interested in execution of distress warrant may defend action brought against constable for executing it. Enforcement for fine.

57. Wherever Justices in Petty Sessions are invested with powers to inflict a pecuniary fine, and whether or not a particular mode of enforcement in default of payment be prescribed by distress on the goods, or by imprisonment of the body, it shall be lawful for the Justices adjudicating, in their discretion, to direct the penalty and costs to be enforced, in default of payment either directly by imprisonment of the body of the offender, with or without hard labour, or indirectly by the like imprisonment, with or without hard labour as aforesaid, in

default of goods or the offender whereout to satisfy the penalty and costs.

Pecuniary  
amends to  
complaint.

**58.** Wherever Justices in Petty Sessions are invested with power to make an order otherwise than for the payment of money, it shall be lawful for the Justices in their discretion to award that, in default of performance of the particular matter or thing which such Justices may be empowered to enjoin by such order to be done, the defendant do pay to the complainant such sum as the Justices may award as a fair compensation to him in default of the performance of the specific matter or thing directed to be done, and to direct, as hereinbefore provided, the enforcement of such order, and of the costs if adjudged, either directly by imprisonment of the defendant's body for a term not exceeding one calendar month, or indirectly by the like imprisonment for the like term, in default of goods and chattels of the defendant whereout to satisfy the sums of money adjudged to be paid as compensation and the costs.

Imprison-  
ment to run  
from date  
of capture.

**59.** Where imprisonment is directed the term of such imprisonment shall begin to run only from the date of the capture of the offender or the defendant, and the officer directing the capture shall endorse on the warrant the date of such caption.

Stamp duty  
on sum-  
mons.

**60.** The stamp directed to be impressed on each private summons, by the Stamp Duty Act may be impressed substitutionally on the information to ground such summons; and it is hereby declared that an information or summons sued out by any policeman, complaining of the infraction of any law, shall not be chargeable or charged with such stamp.

Power to  
adjourn.

**61.** In all cases, civil and criminal, one Justice shall have power to adjourn the hearing of the same.

Bringing up  
person  
imprisoned  
to answer  
further charge.

**62.** If any person imprisoned in any prison, whether before or after conviction, shall be charged before any Justice with any offence, and if such Justice would, if such person were not so imprisoned, be entitled to issue his summons or

warrant for the appearance or apprehension of such person, such Justice shall be entitled to issue an order in the Form (35) in the First Schedule, or to the like effect, on the Superintendent or other head officer of the prison in which such person is so imprisoned, directing such Superintendent or head officer to bring up such person before such Justice or any other Justice of Justices for the same parish, to answer for such charge or complaint, and to be further dealt with according to law. Such Superintendent or head officer shall obey such order, and when the person charged with the offence is brought up under such order the same proceedings shall be had in all respects as if such person had been brought upon a warrant:

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Form (35).  
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Provided, that if such person shall be remanded, committed for trial, imprisoned, or detained by the Justice before whom he is so brought, he shall be so remanded, committed for trial, imprisoned, or detained either in the prison from whence he came or in such other prison as such Justice or Justices may direct.

**63.** In every summons of a witness, warrant to apprehend a witness who has not obeyed a summons, warrant for a witness in the first instance, warrant of commitment of a witness for refusing to be sworn or to give evidence, recognizance to prosecute or give evidence, commitment of witness for refusing to enter into recognizance, warrant remanding a prisoner, recognizance of bail instead of remand on adjournment of examination, recognizance of bail, warrant of deliverance on bail being given for a prisoner already committed, or warrant of commitment issued in relation to proceedings under the Committal Proceedings Act, 2013, it shall be sufficient, instead of setting out at length the charge against the accused person (for that, etc., etc., as in the information), to state shortly the nature of the offence charged, including in such statement the name of the person against whom, and the date on which, such offence is charged

Certain  
process  
shortened.

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to have been committed, as (larceny of the goods of A.B. on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, or the willful murder of C.D. on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, or assaulting E.F. on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ with intent to do grievous bodily harm).

Form of documents in criminal proceedings before Justices. 24/2013 2nd Sch.

**64.**—(1) Every information, complaint, summons, warrant or other document laid, issued or made for the purpose of or in connection with any committal proceedings or a court of summary jurisdiction for an offence, shall be sufficient if it contains a statement of the specific offence with which the accused person is charged, together with such particulars as may be necessary for giving reasonable information as to the nature of the charge.

(2) The statement of the offence shall describe the offence shortly in ordinary language avoiding as far as possible the use of technical terms, and without necessarily stating all the essential elements of the offence, and, if the offence charged is one created by statute, shall contain a reference to the section of the statute creating the offence.

(3) After the statement of the offence, necessary particulars of the offence shall be set out in ordinary language, in which the use of technical terms shall not be required.

(4) Any information, complaint, summons, warrant or other document to which this section applies which is in such form as would have been sufficient in law if this section had not been passed shall, notwithstanding anything in this section, continue to be sufficient in law.

Fees payable. Scale of fees. First Schedule. 31/1995 S. 3.

**65.** The fees specified in the Scale of Fees in the First Schedule shall be chargeable on proceedings in all cases (not being public prosecutions, summary proceedings for larceny, or proceedings instituted by the police, or for indictable offences, which shall be free of all stamp duty under this or any other

enactment) and shall be levied by means of stamps, in addition to those which now are or hereafter may be prescribed by the Stamp Duty Act, and shall form part of the Consolidated Fund.

66. With respect to the issue of free process in certain cases the following provisions shall have effect—

Power of  
Justices to  
remit, excuse  
or postpone  
payment  
of fees on  
criminal  
process.

(a) any Justice or Justices, other than Clerks of Resident Magistrates' Courts acting as such, before whom any proceeding is had—

(i) in respect of any indictable offence; or

(ii) in respect of any matter triable by a court of summary jurisdiction,

whereon any fee is payable by money or in stamps may, in the exercise of his or their discretion and for reasonable cause, remit or postpone the payment of the fee in whole or in part or may excuse or postpone the affixing or impressment of the stamps;

(b) the Justice or Justices who so remit or postpone the payment of a fee, or excuse or postpone the affixing or impressment of a stamp, must affix to the document, or proceeding in respect of which they do so a certificate, on a separate sheet, of the nature and amount of the fees or stamps so excused or postponed, and of the reason for such excuse or postponement;

(c) the certificate shall, except in the case of postponement, be a sufficient voucher to discharge the Clerk or other person otherwise liable to account for the fees, to the amount so certified;

- (d) any document or proceeding which ought to be stamped under any enactment, or to the validity of which a stamp would otherwise be necessary, shall, if such certificate be so attached, be of the same validity as if were properly stamped;
- (e) in the case of postponement the sum payable for the stamp must be paid to the Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court at the first hearing of the case, and before it is proceeded with;
- (f) the Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court must account for the sum so paid to him to the Stamp Commissioner, and the Stamp Commissioner shall thereupon cause a proper stamp to be affixed or impressed on the document;
- (g) the Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court shall also render to the Justices of his Court every month a return of the particular cases and items in respect of which stamps have been excused or postponed, and an account of all moneys received by him for stamp duty in respect of postponed stamps under paragraph (e);
- (h) if any such document as is in this section mentioned is through mistake or inadvertence received, recorded or used without being properly stamped, any Court or Judge before whom any proceeding depends to which such document relates may order the same to be stamped as in the order may be directed.

On a document being stamped such document and every proceeding relative thereto shall be as valid as if the document had been properly stamped in the first instance.

67. Where a court of summary jurisdiction has authority under a law to impose imprisonment for an offence punishable on summary conviction and has not authority to impose a fine for that offence that court, when adjudicating on such offence, may, notwithstanding if the court think the justice of the case will be better met by a fine than by imprisonment, impose a fine not exceeding fifty thousand dollars and not being of such an amount as will subject the offender under the provisions of Part V in default of payment of the fine to any greater term of imprisonment than that to which he is liable under the law authorizing the said imprisonment.

Power to impose fine instead of imprisonment.

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S. 23(b).

68.—(1) A court of summary jurisdiction by whose conviction or order any sum is adjudged to be paid may do all or any of the following things, namely—

Things court may do on making order for payment.

- (a) allow time for the payment of the said sum; and
- (b) direct payment to be made of the said sum by instalments; and
- (c) direct that the person liable to pay the said sum shall be at liberty to give to the satisfaction of that court, or of such other court of summary jurisdiction or such person as may be specified by that court, security by way or recognizance with or without a surety or sureties for the payment of the said sum or any instalment thereof and such security may be given and enforced in manner provided by the Recognizances and Sureties of the Peace Act.

(2) Where the person liable to pay the said sum shall make application to be allowed time for payment of the said sum and shall satisfy the court of summary jurisdiction by whose conviction or order such sum is adjudged to be paid that



he has not sufficient means to enable him to pay the said sum forthwith and that he has a fixed place of abode within the jurisdiction of that court, he shall be allowed time for payment of the said sum, unless that court shall for some special reason expressly direct that no time shall be allowed.

(3) Where a sum is directed to be paid by instalments and default is made in the payment of any one instalment the same proceedings may be taken as if default had been made in the payment of all the instalments then remaining unpaid.

(4) Where time has been allowed for the payment of a sum further time may on an application by or on behalf of the person liable to pay such sum be allowed by a court of summary jurisdiction having jurisdiction to issue a warrant of commitment in respect of the non-payment of such sum, or such court may direct payment by instalments of the sum so adjudged to be paid.

Court  
may order  
person  
adjudged  
to be  
searched.

69.—(1) Where a person has been adjudged to pay a sum by a conviction or order of a court of summary jurisdiction or in proceedings in any such court for enforcing an order, or in any matter of bastardy or an order under which weekly sums are made payable towards the maintenance of a wife or child, the court may order him to be searched, and any money found on him on apprehension or when so searched, or which may be found on him when taken to prison in default of payment of the sum so adjudged to be paid, may, unless the court otherwise directs, be applied towards the payment of the sum so adjudged to be paid and the surplus if any shall be returned to him.

Person  
executing  
warrant  
may seize  
money  
found on  
person  
adjudged.

(2) Where a warrant of distress is issued by a court of summary jurisdiction it shall authorize the person charged with the execution thereof to take any money as well as any goods of the person against whom the distress is levied, and any money so taken shall be treated as if it was the proceeds of sale of goods taken under the warrant and the provisions of Part I and Part III shall apply accordingly.



70. Where on an application to a court of summary jurisdiction to issue a warrant for committing a person to prison for non-payment of a sum adjudged to be paid by a conviction of any court of summary jurisdiction or for default of sufficient distress to satisfy any such sum, it appears to the court to whom the application is made that, either by payment of part of the said sum whether in the shape of instalments or otherwise or by the net proceeds of the distress, the amount of the sum so adjudged has been reduced to such an extent that the unsatisfied balance, if it had constituted the original amount adjudged to be paid by the conviction or order, would have subjected the defendant to a maximum term of imprisonment less than the term or imprisonment to which he is able under such conviction or order, the court shall by its warrant of commitment revoke the term of imprisonment and order the defendant to be imprisoned for a term not exceeding such less maximum term instead of for the term originally mentioned in the conviction or order.

When court may revoke term of imprisonment.

71. The Minister may make rules for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of sections 67 to 70 and all such rules shall be published in the *Gazette* and after such publication shall be judicially noticed.

Minister may make rules.

72. Where any defendant or accused person shall have been discharged upon his entering into a recognizance conditioned for his appearance at the time and place to which the hearing of the case or committal proceedings shall have been adjourned or deferred and shall not afterwards appear at the time and place in such recognizance mentioned, then the Justice who shall have taken the said recognizance, or any other Justice or Justices who may then be there present, may enforce the recognizance in accordance with the Recognizances and Sureties of the Peace Act.

Enforcement of recognizance on non-appearance.  
24/2013  
2nd Sch.

PART IV. *Stipendiary Justices*

Governor-General may appoint Stipendiary Justice, each with power of two Justices.

73. It shall be lawful for the Governor-General from time to time, and at any time to appoint, by commission, any Justice of the Peace of any parish of this Island, to be a Stipendiary Justice within the parish for which he shall be appointed, and to give to every such Stipendiary Justice, within his jurisdiction, the powers and authority which are now, or which may hereafter be by law committed to, and exercisable by any two Justices associated and acting together, and every such appointment so made shall be during pleasure.

PART V. *Small Penalties Recovery*

Interpretation of penalty.

74. The word "penalty" in this Part shall include any sum of money recoverable in a summary manner.

Limit of imprisonment in relation to penalties.  
42/1969  
3rd Sch.  
31/1995  
S. 3.  
10/2018  
S. 23(e),(f).

75.—(1) Where upon summary conviction any offender may be adjudged to pay a penalty not exceeding fifty thousand dollars such offender in case of non-payment thereof may without any warrant of distress be imprisoned with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding the period specified in the following scale unless the penalty shall be sooner paid—

For any penalty		The imprisonment not to exceed
Not exceeding one thousand dollars	—	Seven days
Exceeding one thousand dollars but not exceeding two thousand and five hundred dollars	—	Ten days
Exceeding two thousand and five hundred dollars but not exceeding ten thousand dollars	—	Thirty days
Exceeding ten thousand dollars but not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars	—	Two months

Exceeding twenty-five thousand  
dollars but not exceeding fifty  
thousand dollars — Three months.

(2) For the avoidance of doubt, a Justice may deal with an offender referred to in subsection (1) in any manner in which the offender may be dealt with under section 10 of the Criminal Justice (Reform) Act, that is to say that a community service order may be made in respect of the offender in lieu of any penalty referred to in subsection (1).

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S. 23(c),(ii).

76. This Part shall apply to penalties, including costs recoverable in a summary manner, in pursuance of any enactment of this Island.

Applicable  
to all Acts  
imposing  
such  
penalties.

77. This Part shall not apply to any penalty imposed by any enactment relating to the Revenue of this Island.

Not to  
Revenue  
penalties.

#### PART VI. *Protection from Vexatious Proceedings*

78. In every action hereafter to be brought against any Justice for any act done by him in the execution of his duty as such Justice with respect to any matter within his jurisdiction as such Justice, it shall be expressly alleged in the statement of claim that such act was done maliciously and without reasonable and probable cause; and if, at the trial of any such action, the plaintiff shall fail to prove such allegation, judgment shall be entered, or a verdict shall be given, for the defendant.

Form of  
action  
against  
Justice.

Actions for  
acts done  
without  
jurisdiction,  
*etc.*

79. For any act done by a Justice in a matter of which by law he has not jurisdiction, or in which he shall have exceeded his jurisdiction, any person injured thereby, or by any act done under any conviction or order made or warrant issued by such Justice in any such matter, may maintain an action against such Justice in the same form, and in the same case, as he might have done before the passing of this Part, without making any allegation in his statement of claim that the act complained of was done maliciously, and without reasonable and probable cause:

Provided nevertheless, that no such action shall be brought for anything done under such conviction or order until after such conviction shall have been quashed, either upon appeal, or upon application to the Supreme Court; nor shall any such action be brought for anything done under any such warrant which shall have been issued by such Justice

to procure the appearance of such party, and which shall have been followed by a conviction or order in the same matter, until after such conviction or order shall have been so quashed as aforesaid; or if such last-mentioned warrant shall not have been followed by any such conviction or order, or if it be a warrant upon an information for an alleged indictable offence, nevertheless if a summons were issued previously to such warrant, and such summons were served upon such person, either personally, or by leaving the same for him with some person at his last or most usual place of abode, and he did not appear according to the exigency of such summons, in such case no such action shall be maintained against such Justice for anything done under such warrant.

80. Where a conviction or order shall be made by one or more Justice or Justices and a warrant of distress or commitment shall be granted thereon by some other Justice *bona fide* and without collusion, no action shall be brought

Warrant  
granted by  
one Justice  
upon  
conviction  
by another.

against the Justice who so granted such warrant by reason of any defect in such conviction or order for any want of jurisdiction in the Justice or Justices who made the same; but the action (if any) shall be brought against the Justice or Justices who made such conviction or order.

Justice not  
liable to  
action for  
what ordered  
to do.

**81.** In all cases where a Justice or Justices shall refuse to do any act relating to the duties of his or their office as such Justice or Justices, it shall be lawful for the party requiring such act to done, to apply to the Supreme Court, upon an affidavit of the facts, for a rule calling upon such Justice or Justices, and also the party to be affected by such act to show cause why such act should not be done; and if, after due service of such rule, good cause shall not be shown against it, the said Court may make the same absolute; with or without or upon payment of costs, as to them shall seem meet; and the said Justice or Justices, upon being served with such rule absolute, shall obey the same, and shall do the act required; and no action or

proceeding whatsoever shall be commenced or prosecuted against such Justice or Justices for having obeyed such rule and done such act so thereby required as aforesaid.

**82.** In all cases where a warrant of distress or warrant of commitment shall be granted by a Justice upon any conviction or order which, either before or after the granting of such warrant, shall have been or shall be confirmed upon appeal, no action shall be brought against such Justice who so granted such warrant for anything which may have been done under the same by reason of any defect in such conviction or order.

No action  
against  
Justice for  
defect in  
conviction  
affirmed on  
appeal.

**83.** In all cases where by this Part it is enacted that no action shall be brought under particular circumstances, if any such action shall be brought, it shall be lawful for a Judge of the Court in which the same shall be brought, upon application of the defendant and upon an affidavit of facts, to set aside the proceedings in such action, with or without costs, as to him shall seem meet.

Actions  
brought  
against  
provisions  
of Act may  
be set aside.

**84.** In all cases where the plaintiff in any such action shall be entitled to recover, and he shall prove the levying or payment of any penalty or sum of money under any conviction or order as parcel of the damages he seeks to recover, or if he prove that he was imprisoned under such conviction or order, and shall seek to recover damages for any such imprisonment, he shall not be entitled to recover the amount of such penalty or sum so levied or paid, or any sum beyond the sum of two cents as damages for such imprisonment, or any costs of suit whatsoever, if it shall be proved that he was actually guilty of the offence of which he was so convicted, or that he was liable by law to pay the sum he was so ordered to pay, and (with respect to such imprisonment) that he had undergone no greater punishment than that assigned by law for the offence of which he was so convicted or for non-payment of the sum he was so ordered to pay.

Damages.

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## FIRST SCHEDULE

31/1995  
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## PART I

## SUMMARY CONVICTIONS AND ORDERS

## FORM (1)

(Section 2)

*Summons to the Defendant upon an Information or Complaint*

To A.B., of

Whereas information hath this day been laid (*or* complaint hath this day been made) before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of , for that you (*here state shortly the matter of the information or complaint*): These are therefore to command you, in Her Majesty's name, to be and appear on at o'clock in the forenoon, at before such Justices of the Peace for the said parish as may then be there, to answer to the said information (*or* complaint) and to be further dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand, this day of

19 , at  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

## FORM (2)

(Section 3)

*Warrant where the Summons is Disobeyed*To each and all of the Constables of and to all other  
Peace Officers in the said parish of

Whereas on last past information was laid (*or* complaint was made) before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of for that A.B. (*etc., as in the summons*): And whereas I then issued my summons unto the said A.B., commanding him, in Her Majesty's name, to be and appear on at o'clock in the forenoon at before such Justices of the Peace for the said parish as might then be there, to answer to the said information (*or* complaint) and to be further dealt with according to law: And whereas the said A.B., hath neglected to be or appear at the time and place so appointed in and by the said summons, although it hath now been proved to me upon oath, that the said summons hath been duly served upon the said A.B.: These are therefore to command you, in Her Majesty's name, forthwith to apprehend the said A.B., and to bring him before some one or more of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish, to answer to the said information (*or* complaint), and to be further dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand, this day of

19 , at  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.



## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE JURISDICTION

(Section 3)

## FORM (3)

*Warrant in the first instance*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_ and to all other  
Peace Officers in the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_

Whereas information hath this day been laid before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, for that *A.B. (here state shortly the matter of the information)*, and oath being now made before me substantiating the matter of such information: These are therefore to command you, in Her Majesty's name, forthwith to apprehend the said *A.B.*, and to bring him before some one or more of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish, to answer to the said information, and to be further dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

19 \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_  
in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

(Section 4)

## FORM (4)

*Warrant of Committal for Safe Custody during an  
Adjournment of the Hearing*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_, and to  
the Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the \_\_\_\_\_ prison  
at \_\_\_\_\_

Whereas on \_\_\_\_\_ last past information was laid  
(*or complaint was made*) before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, for that (*etc., as in the summons*): And whereas the hearing of the same is adjourned to the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ instant, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock in the forenoon, at \_\_\_\_\_, and it is necessary that the said *A.B.*, should, in the meantime, be kept in safe custody: These are therefore to command you the said Constables in Her Majesty's name, forthwith to convey the said *A.B.*, and to the [ \_\_\_\_\_ prison] at \_\_\_\_\_ and there deliver him into the custody of the Superintendent (*or other head officer*) thereof, together with this precept; and I hereby command you, the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) to receive the said *A.B.* into your custody, in the said (prison), and there safely keep him until the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ instant, when you are hereby required to convey and have him, the said *A.B.*, at the time and place to which the said hearing is so adjourned as aforesaid, before such Justices of the Peace for the said parish as may then be

there, to answer further to the said information (or complaint) and to be further dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand, this                      day of  
19            , at  
in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

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FORM (5) [*Deleted by Act 19 of 2000, S. 23.*]

(Section 12)

## FORM (6)

*Warrant to Remand a Defendant when apprehended*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_, and to  
The Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the prison at \_\_\_\_\_

Whereas information was laid (*or complaint made*) before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, for that (*etc., as in the summons or warrant*): And whereas the said *A.B.* hath been apprehended under and by virtue of a warrant upon such information (*or complaint*), and is now brought before me as such Justice as aforesaid: These are therefore to command you, the said Constables in Her Majesty's name, forthwith to convey the said *A.B.*, to the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_, and there to deliver him to the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) thereof together with this precept: And I do hereby command you, the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) to receive the said *A.B.* into your custody in the said (prison), and there safely keep him until \_\_\_\_\_ next, the day of \_\_\_\_\_ instant, when you are hereby commanded to convey and have him at \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock in the forenoon, of the same day, before such Justices of the Peace of the said parish as may then be there, to answer to the said information (*or complaint*), and to be further dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

(Section 13)

## FORM (7)(a)

*Conviction for a Penalty to be levied by Distress, and in default of Sufficient Distress, Imprisonment*

Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ }

Be it remembered that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord 19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, in the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, *A.B.*, is convicted before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said parish, for that he, the said *A.B.* (*etc., stating the offence, and the time and place when and where committed*), and I adjudge the said *A.B.* for his said offence, to forfeit and pay the sum of (*stating the penalty and also the compensation, if any*) to be paid and applied according to law; and also to pay to the said *C.D.* the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ for his costs in this behalf: And if the said several sums be not paid forthwith (*or on or before* \_\_\_\_\_ next),\*

I order that the same be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.*: And in default of sufficient distress,\* I adjudge the said *A.B.* to be imprisoned in the (prison), at \_\_\_\_\_, (there to be kept to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_ unless the said several sums, and all costs and charges of the said distress (and of the commitment) shall be sooner paid.

Given under my hand, the day and year first above-mentioned  
at \_\_\_\_\_ in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

\*Or where the issuing of a distress warrant would be ruinous to the defendant or his family, or it appears that he has no goods whereon to levy a distress, then instead of the word between the asterisks\*\* say, "then inasmuch as it hath now been made to appear to me (that the issuing of a warrant of distress in this behalf would be ruinous to the said *A.B.* and his family, "or" that the said *A.B.* hath no goods or chattels whereon to levy the said sums by distress), I adjudge, etc." as above to the end.

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FORM (7)(b)

(Section 13)

*Conviction for a Penalty, and, in default of Payment Imprisonment*

Parish of } \_\_\_\_\_

Be it remembered that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_ of our Lord 19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, in the said parish, *A.B.*, is convicted before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said parish, for that he, the said *A.B.* (etc., stating the offence, and the time and place when and where it was committed), and I adjudge the said *A.B.* for his said offence to forfeit and pay the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ (stating the penalty and the compensation, if any) to be paid and applied according to law: And also to pay to the said *C.D.* the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ for his costs in this behalf; and if the said several sums be not paid forthwith (or on or before \_\_\_\_\_ next), I adjudge the said *A.B.* to be imprisoned in the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_ (and there to be kept to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_ unless the several sums shall be sooner paid.



## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE JURISDICTION

Given under my hand, the day and year first above-mentioned,  
at in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

(Section 13)

FORM (7)(c)

*Conviction, when the Punishment is by Imprisonment, etc.*

Parish of }

Be it remembered that on the day of  
in the year of our Lord 19 , at , in the said parish,  
*A.B.*, is convicted before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices  
of the Peace for the said parish, for that he the said *A.B.*  
(*etc., stating the offence, and the time and place when and where  
committed*), and I adjudge the said *A.B.* for his said offence, to be  
imprisoned in the (prison) at , (and there kept to  
hard labour) for the space of  
and I also adjudge the said *A.B.* to pay the said *C.D.* the sum of  
for his costs in this behalf; and if the said sum  
for costs be not paid forthwith (*or, on or before* next),  
then\* I order that the said sum be levied by distress and sale of the  
goods and chattels of the said *A.B.*, and in default of sufficient distress  
in that behalf,\* I adjudge the said *A.B.* to be imprisoned in the said  
(prison), and (there kept to hard labour) for the space of  
to commence at and from the termination of his imprisonment afore-  
said, unless the said sum for costs shall be sooner paid.

Given under my hand, the day and year first above-mentioned,  
at , in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

\*Or, where the issuing of a distress warrant would be ruinous to  
the defendant, or his family, or it appears that he has no goods whereon  
to levy a distress, then, instead of the words between the asterisks,  
say, "inasmuch as it hath now been made to appear to me that the  
issuing of a warrant of distress in this behalf would be ruinous to the  
said *A.B.* and his family," or, "that the said *A.B.* hath no goods or  
chattels whereon to levy the said sums for costs by distress, I adjudge  
, etc."

## FORM (8)(a)

(Section 13)

*Order for Payment of Money to be levied by Distress, and in default of Distress, Imprisonment*

Parish of }

Be it remembered that on the complaint was made before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of for that (*stating the facts entitling the complainant to the order, with the time and place when and where they occurred*); and now at this day, to wit, on at , the parties aforesaid appear before me, the said Justice (*or the said C.D. appears before me the Justice, but the said A.B., although duly called, doth not appear by himself, his counsel or solicitor; and it is now satisfactorily proved to me, on oath, that the said A.B. has been duly served with the summons in this behalf, which required him to be and appear here at this day before such Justices of the Peace for the said parish as should now be here, to answer the said complaint, and to be further dealt with according to law*); and now, having heard the matter of the said complaint, I do adjudge the said A.B. (to pay the said C.D. the sum of forthwith, *or on or before* next), *or as the law may require*); and also to pay to the said C.D. the sum of for his costs in this behalf; and if the said several sums be not paid forthwith (*or on or before* next),\* I hereby order that the same be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the said A.B., and in default of sufficient distress in that behalf,\* I adjudge the said A.B. to be imprisoned in the (prison) at , (and there kept to hard labour), for the space of , unless the said several sums, and all costs and charges of the said distress (and of the commitment) shall be sooner paid.

Given under my hand, this day of ,  
 19 , at ,  
 in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

\*Or, where the issuing of a distress warrant would be ruinous to the defendant or his family; or it appears that he has no goods whereon to levy a distress, then, instead of the words between the asterisks, say, "then inasmuch as it hath now been made to appear to me that the issuing of a warrant of distress in this behalf would be ruinous to the said A.B. and his family," or "that the said A.B. hath no goods or chattels whereon to levy the said sums by distress, I adjudge, etc."



## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE JURISDICTION

(Section 13)

FORM (8)(b)

*Order for Payment of Money, and in default of Payment,  
Imprisonment*

Parish of }

Be it remembered, that on the complaint was made before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of , for that *(stating the facts entitling the complainant to the order, with the time and place when and where they occurred)*; and now at this day, to wit, on , at , the parties aforesaid appear before me, the said Justice (or the said C.D. appears before me, the said Justice, but the said A.B., although duly called, doth not appear by himself, his counsel or solicitor, and it is now satisfactorily proved to me, on oath, that the said A.B. has been duly served with the summons in this behalf, which required him to be and appear here on this day before such Justices of the Peace for the said parish as should now be here, to answer the said complaint, and to be further dealt with according to law); and now, having heard the matter of the said complaint, I do adjudge the said A.B. (to pay to the said C.D. the sum of forthwith, or on or before next, or as the law may require); and also to pay to the said C.D. the sum of , for his costs in this behalf; and if the said several sums be not paid forthwith (or on or before next), I adjudge the said A.B. to be imprisoned in the (prison), at (there to be kept to hard labour), for the space of , unless the said several sums shall be sooner paid.

Given under my hand, this day of ,  
19 , at ,  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

(Section 13)

FORM (8)(c)

*Order for any other matter, where the disobeying of it is punishable  
with Imprisonment*

Parish of }

Be it remembered, that on the complaint was made before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of , for that *(stating the*

*facts entitling the complainant to the order, with time and place when and where they occurred*): And now, at this day, to wit, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, the parties aforesaid appeared before me, the said Justice (*or, the said C.D. appears before me, the said Justice, but the said A.B., although duly called, doth not appear by himself, his counsel or solicitor*: And it is now satisfactorily proved to me, upon oath, that the said *A.B.* has been duly served with the summons in this behalf, which requires him to be and appear here at this day, before such Justices of the Peace for the said parish as should now be here, to answer to the said complaint, and to be further dealt with according to law): And now, having heard the matter of the said complaint, I do therefore adjudge the said *A.B.* to (*here state the matter required to be done*): And if, upon a copy of a minute of this order being served upon the said *A.B.*, either personally, or by leaving the same for him at his last or most usual place of abode, he shall neglect or refuse to obey the same, in that case, I adjudge the said *A.B.*, for such his disobedience, to be imprisoned in the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_ (there to be kept to hard labour), for the space of \_\_\_\_\_ (unless the said order be sooner obeyed, *if the law authorize this*) : And I do also adjudge the said *A.B.* to pay the said *C.D.* the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ for his costs in this behalf: And if the said sum for costs be not paid forthwith (*or on or before* \_\_\_\_\_ next) I order the same to be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.*: And in default of sufficient distress in that behalf, I adjudge the said *A.B.* to be imprisoned in the said (prison), (and there kept to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_, to commence at and from the termination of his imprisonment aforesaid, unless the said sum for costs shall be sooner paid.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
 19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
 in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

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FORM (9)

(Section 13)

*Order of Dismissal of an Information or Complaint*

Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ }

Be it remembered, that on \_\_\_\_\_, information was laid (*or complaint was made*) before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_,

for that (*etc., as in the summons to the defendant*) : And now at this day, to wit, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, both the said parties appear before me in order that I should hear and determine the said information (*or complaint*) (*or the said A.B. appeareth before me, but the said C.D., although duly called, doth not appear*), whereupon the matter of the said information (*or complaint*) being by me duly considered, (it manifestly appears to me that the said information (*or complaint*) is not proved, and\*) I do therefore dismiss the same and do adjudge that the said C.D. do pay to the said A.B. the sum of \_\_\_\_\_, for the costs incurred by him in his defence in this behalf: And if the said sum for costs be not paid forthwith (*or, on or before* \_\_\_\_\_), I order that the same be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the said C.D.: And in default of sufficient distress in that behalf, I adjudge the said C.D. to be imprisoned in the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_, (and there kept to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_, unless the said sum for costs and all costs and charges of the said distress, and of the commitment, be sooner paid.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

\*If the informant or complainant do not appear these words may be omitted.

(Section 13)

#### FORM (10)

##### *Certificate of Dismissal*

I hereby certify that an information (*or complaint*) preferred by C.D. against A.B., for that (*etc., as in the summons*) was this day considered by me, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the parish of \_\_\_\_\_, and was by me dismissed (with costs).

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

J.S.



## FORM (11)(a)

(Section 18)

*Warrant of Distress upon a Conviction for a Penalty*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_ and to all other  
Peace Officers in the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_

Whereas *A.B.*, late of \_\_\_\_\_ (labourer), was on this  
day (or on \_\_\_\_\_ last past), duly convicted before the  
undersigned (one ) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for  
the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, for that (*stating the offence as  
in the conviction*): And it was thereby adjudged that the said *A.B.*  
should for such his offence, forfeit and pay (*etc., as in the conviction*),  
and should also pay to the said *C.D.* the sum of \_\_\_\_\_,  
for his costs in that behalf: And it was thereby ordered, that if the  
said several sums should not be paid (forthwith), the same should be  
levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.*:  
And it was thereby also adjudged that in default of sufficient distress,  
the said *A.B.* should be imprisoned in the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_,  
(and there kept to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, unless the said several sums and all costs and  
charges of the said distress, and of the commitment, should be sooner  
paid.\* And whereas the said *A.B.*, being so convicted as aforesaid,  
and being (now) required to pay the said sums of \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_, hath not paid the same, or any part  
thereof, but therein hath made default: These are therefore to  
command you, in Her Majesty's name, forthwith to make distress of  
the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.*: And if within the space of \_\_\_\_\_  
days next after the making of such distress, the said  
sums, together with the reasonable charges of taking and keeping the  
distress, shall not be paid, that then you do sell the said goods and  
chattels so by you distrained, and do pay the money arising by such  
sale unto \_\_\_\_\_, the Clerk of the Court of the  
parish, that he may pay and apply the same as by law, is directed,  
and may render the overplus, if any, on demand to the *A.B.*:  
And if no such distress can be found, then that you certify the same  
unto me, to the end that such further proceedings may be had thereon  
as to the law doth appertain.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE JURISDICTION

(Section 18)

FORM (11)(b)

*Warrant of Distress upon an Oder for the Payment of Money*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_ and to all other  
Peace Officers in the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_

Whereas on \_\_\_\_\_ last past, a complaint was made before the undersigned (one ) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, for that (*etc., as in the order*), and afterwards, to wit on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ the said parties appeared before me (*or, as in the order*), and there-upon, having considered the matter of the said complaint, I adjudge the said *A.B.*, to pay the said *C.D.* the sum of \_\_\_\_\_, on or before the \_\_\_\_\_ then next, and also to pay to the said *C.D.* the sum of \_\_\_\_\_, for his costs in that behalf. And I thereby ordered that if the said several sums should not be paid on or before the said \_\_\_\_\_ then next, the same should be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.* And it was adjudged that in default of sufficient distress in that behalf, the said *A.B.* should be imprisoned in the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_, (and there kept to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_ unless the said several sums and all costs and charges of the said distress (and of the commitment) should be sooner paid: (\*) And whereas the time in and by the said order appointed for the payment of the said several sums of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ hath elapsed, but the said *C.D.* hath not paid the same, or any part thereof, but therein hath made default: These are therefore to command you, in Her Majesty's name, forthwith to make distress of the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.* And if within the space of \_\_\_\_\_ days after the making of such distress, the said last-mentioned sums, together with the reasonable charges of taking and keeping the said distress, shall not be paid, that then you do sell the said goods and chattels so by you distrained, and do pay the money arising from such sale unto \_\_\_\_\_, the Clerk of the Court for the parish of \_\_\_\_\_, that he may pay and apply the same as by law directed, and may render the overplus, if any, on demand, to the said *A.B.* And if not such distress can be found, then that you certify the same unto me, to the end that such proceedings may be had therein as to the law doth appertain.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19 \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.



## FORM (11)(c)

(Section 20)

*Constable's Return to a Warrant of Distress*

I, *W.T.*, Constable of \_\_\_\_\_, in the parish of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby certify to *J.S.*, Esquire, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said parish, that by virtue of this warrant I have made diligent search for the goods and chattels of the within mentioned *A.B.*; and that I can find no sufficient goods or chattels of the said *A.B.*, whereon to levy the sum within mentioned.

Witness my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_.

*W.T.*

## FORM (11)(d)

(Section 20)

*Warrant of Commitment for Want of Distress*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_, and to the Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas, (*etc., as in either of the foregoing distress warrants, Forms (11) (a) and (11) (b), to the asterisk, and then thus*): And whereas afterwards, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year aforesaid, I, the said Justice, issued a warrant to the constables of \_\_\_\_\_, commanding them to levy the said sums of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.*; and whereas it appears to me, as well by the return to the said warrant of distress, as otherwise, that diligent search has been made for the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.*; but that no sufficient distress whereon to levy the sums above-mentioned could be found: These are therefore to command you, the said constables, to take the said *A.B.*; and him safely to convey to the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_ aforesaid, and there deliver him to the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*), together with this precept; and I do hereby command you, the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the said (prison) to receive the said *A.B.* into your custody in the said (prison), there to imprison him (and keep him to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_, unless the said several sums, and all the costs and charges of the said distress (and of the commitment), amounting to the further sum of \_\_\_\_\_, shall be sooner paid unto you, the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*); and for your so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant.

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE JURISDICTION

Given under my hand, this                      day of                      ,  
 19                      , at                      ,  
 in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

(Section 22)

FORM (12)(a)

*Warrant of Commitment upon a Conviction for a Penalty in the  
 first instance*

To each and all of the Constables of                      , and to  
 the Superintendent (or other head officer) of the (prison)  
 at                      .

Whereas *A.B.*, late of                      , (labourer), was on  
 this day duly convicted before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's  
 Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish, for that (*stating the  
 offence, as in the conviction*); and it was thereby adjudged that the  
 said *A.B.*, for his said offence, should forfeit and pay the sum of  
                     (*etc., as in the conviction*), and should pay to the  
 said *C.D.*, the sum of                      , for his costs in that behalf;  
 and it was thereby further adjudged that if the said several sums  
 should not be paid (forthwith), the said *A.B.* should be imprisoned  
 in the (prison) at                      , (and there  
 kept to hard labour) for the space of                      , unless  
 the said several sums (and the costs and charges of commitment)  
 should be sooner paid; and whereas the time in and by the said  
 conviction appointed for the payment of the said several sums hath  
 elapsed, but the said *A.B.* hath not paid the same, or any part thereof,  
 but therein hath made default: These are therefore to command you,  
 the said constables to take the said *A.B.*, and him safely to  
 convey to the (prison) at                      aforesaid,  
 and there to deliver him to the Superintendent (or other head officer)  
 thereof, together with this precept; and I do hereby command you,  
 the said Superintendent (or other head officer) of the said (prison), to  
 receive the said *A.B.* into your custody in the said (prison), there to  
 imprison him (and keep him to hard labour) for the space of                      ,  
 unless the said several sums (and the costs and charges of commit-  
 ment, amounting to the further sum of                      ), shall  
 be sooner paid; and for your so doing this shall be your sufficient  
 warrant.

Given under my hand, this                      day of                      ,  
 19                      , at                      ,  
 in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

## FORM (12)(b)

(Section 22)

*Warrant of Commitment on an Order in the first instance*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_, and to  
the Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the (prison)  
at \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas on \_\_\_\_\_ last past, complaint was made  
before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace,  
in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, for that (*etc., as in*  
*the order*), and afterwards, to wit, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
the parties appeared before (me), the said Justice (*or as it may be in*  
*the order*); and thereupon having considered the matter of the said  
complaint, I adjudged the said *A.B.* to pay to the said *C.D.*, the sum of  
of \_\_\_\_\_, on or before the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
then next, and also to pay to the said *C.D.*, the sum of \_\_\_\_\_,  
for his costs in that behalf; and I also thereby further adjudged that if the  
said several sums should not be paid on or before the  
day of \_\_\_\_\_ then next, the said *A.B.* should be imprisoned  
in the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_, (and there  
kept to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_, unless the  
said several sums should be sooner paid; And whereas the time in and  
by the said order appointed for the payment of the said several sums  
of money hath elapsed, but the said *A.B.* hath not paid the same or  
any part thereof, but therein hath made default: These are therefore  
to command you, the said constables, to take the said *A.B.*, and him  
safely convey to the said (prison) at  
aforesaid, and there to deliver him to the Superintendent (*or other head*  
*officer*) thereof, together with this precept; and I do hereby command  
you, the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the said (prison)  
to receive the said *A.B.* into your custody in the said (prison), there  
to imprison him (and keep him to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_,  
unless the said several sums (and the costs and  
charges of commitment, amounting to the further sum of \_\_\_\_\_  
shall be sooner paid unto you, the said Superintendent (*or other head*  
*officer*), and for your so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.



(Section 23)

## FORM (13)(a)

*Warrant of Commitment on a Conviction where the Punishment  
is by Imprisonment*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_, and to  
the Superintendent (or other head officer) of the (prison)  
at \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas *A.B.*, late of \_\_\_\_\_, (labourer), was this day  
duly convicted before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices  
of the Peace, in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, for that  
(stating the offence as in the conviction); and it was thereby adjudged  
that the said *A.B.* for his said offence should be imprisoned in the  
(prison) at \_\_\_\_\_, in the said parish (and there kept  
to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_: These are there-  
fore to command you, the said constables, to take the said  
*A.B.*, and him safely convey to the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_  
aforesaid, and there to deliver him to the Super-  
intendent (or other head officer) thereof, together with this precept;  
and I do hereby command you, the said Superintendent (or other head  
officer) of the said (prison), to receive the said *A.B.* into your custody  
in the said (prison), there to imprison him (and keep him to hard  
labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_; and for your so doing  
this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

(Section 23)

## FORM (13)(b)

*Warrant of Commitment on an Order where the disobeying of it is  
punishable by Imprisonment*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_, and to  
the Superintendent (or other head officer) of the (prison)  
at \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas on \_\_\_\_\_ last past, complaint was made  
before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace,  
in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_ for that, (etc., as in  
the order), and afterwards, to wit, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
the said parties appeared before me (or, as it may be in the order);

and thereupon having considered the matter of the said complaint, I adjudged the said A.B. to (*etc., as in the order*), and that if upon a copy of the minute of that order being duly served upon the said A.B., either personally, or by leaving the same for him at his last or most usual place of abode, he should neglect or refuse to obey the same, it was adjudged that in such case the said A.B., for such his disobedience, should be imprisoned in the (prison) at (and there kept to hard labour) for the space of

(unless the said order should be sooner obeyed); and whereas it is now proved to me that, after the making of the said order, a copy of the minute thereof was duly served upon the said *A.B.* but he then refused (*or neglected*) to obey the same, and hath not as yet obeyed the said order: These are therefore to command you, the said constables, to take the said *A.B.*, and him safely to convey to the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_ aforesaid, and there to deliver him to the Superintendent (*or other head officer*) thereof, together with this precept; and I do hereby command you, the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the said (prison), to receive the said *A.B.* into your custody in the said (prison), there to imprison him (and keep him to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_ and for so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Given under my hand, this                      day of  
19     , at  
in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

## FORM (13)(c)

(Section 23)

*Warrant of Distress for Costs upon a Conviction where the Offence  
is punishable by Imprisonment*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_ and to all other  
Peace Officers in the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas *A.B.*, of (labourer), was on last past, duly convicted before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish, for that (*stating the offence as in the conviction*); and it was thereby adjudged that the said *A.B.*, for the said offence, should be imprisoned in the (prison) at , (and there kept to hard labour) for the space of ; and it was also thereby adjudged that said *A.B.* should pay to the said *C.D.* the sum of , for his costs in that behalf; and it was thereby



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ordered, that if the said sum of \_\_\_\_\_, for costs should not be paid (forthwith), the same should be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.*; and it was adjudged that in default of sufficient distress in that behalf, the said *A.B.* should be imprisoned in the (prison) (and there kept to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_, to commence at and from the termination of his imprisonment aforesaid, unless the said sum for costs and all costs and charges of the said distress, and of the commitment, should be sooner paid (\*); and whereas the said *A.B.*, being so convicted as aforesaid, and being required to pay the said sum of \_\_\_\_\_, for costs, hath not paid the same, or any part thereof, but therein hath made default: These are therefore to command you, in Her Majesty's name, forthwith to make distress of the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.*; and if within the space of \_\_\_\_\_ days next after the making of such distress the said last-mentioned sum, together with the reasonable charges of taking and keeping the said distress, shall not be paid, that then you do sell the said goods and chattels so by you distrained, and do pay the money arising from such sale to \_\_\_\_\_, the Clerk of the Court for the parish of \_\_\_\_\_, that he may pay the same as law by directed, and may render the surplus (if any) on demand, to the said *A.B.*, and if no such distress can be found, then that you certify the same unto me, to the end that such proceedings may be had therein as to the law doth appertain.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
 19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
 in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

(Section 23)

FORM (13)(d)

*Warrant of Commitment on an Order where the disobeying  
 of the Order is punishable by Imprisonment*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_ and to all other  
 Peace Officers in the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas on \_\_\_\_\_ last past, complaint was made before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, for that (*etc., as in the order*), and afterwards, to wit, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, the said parties appeared before me as such Justice as aforesaid (*or,*

as it may be in the order); and thereon having considered the matter of the said complaint, I adjudged the said *A.B.* to, (*etc., as in the order*), and that if, upon a copy of the minute of that order being served upon the said *A.B.* either personally, or by leaving the same for him at his last or most usual abode, he should neglect or refuse to obey the same, I adjudged that in such case the said *A.B.*, for such his disobedience, should be imprisoned in the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_, (and there kept to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_, (unless the said order should be sooner obeyed); and I thereby also adjudged the said *A.B.* to pay to the said *C.D.* the sum of \_\_\_\_\_, for his costs in that behalf; and I ordered that, if the said sum for costs should not be paid (forthwith), the same should be levied of the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.* (and in default of sufficient distress in that behalf, I thereby adjudged that the said *A.B.* should be imprisoned in the said (prison), (and there kept to hard labour) for the space \_\_\_\_\_, to commence at and from the termination of his imprisonment aforesaid, unless the said sum for costs, and all costs and charges of the said distress, and of the commitment, should be sooner paid)\*; and whereas, after the making of the said order, a copy of the minute thereof was duly served upon the said *A.B.*, but the said *A.B.*, did not then pay nor hath he paid, the said sum of \_\_\_\_\_ for costs, or any part thereof, but therein hath made default: These are therefore to command you, in Her Majesty's name, forthwith, to make distress of the goods and chattels of the said *A.B.*; and if, within the space of \_\_\_\_\_ days next after the making of such distress, the said last-mentioned sum, together with the reasonable charges of taking and keeping the said distress, shall not be paid, that then you do sell the said goods and chattels so by you distrained, and do pay the money arising from such sale to \_\_\_\_\_, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the parish of \_\_\_\_\_, that he may pay the same as by law directed, and may render the overplus, if any, on demand, to the said *A.B.*; and if no such distress can be found, then that you certify the same unto me, to the end that such proceedings may be had thereon as to the law doth appertain.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
 19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
 in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE JURISDICTION

(Section 23)

FORM (13)(e)

*Warrant of Commitment for Want of Distress, in either of the last two cases*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_, and to  
the Superintendent (or other head officer) of the (prison)  
at \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas (etc., as in the last two forms respectively to the asterisk,\*  
and then thus):

And whereas afterwards, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year aforesaid, I, the said J.S., issued a warrant to the constables of \_\_\_\_\_, commanding them to levy the said sum of \_\_\_\_\_, for costs by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the said A.B.: And whereas it appears to me, as well by the return was to the said warrant of distress as otherwise, that diligent search has been made for the goods and chattels of the said A.B., but that no sufficient distress whereon to levy the sum above-mentioned could be found: These are therefore to command you, the said constables, to take the said A.B., and him safely to convey to the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_ aforesaid, and there deliver him to the Superintendent (or other head officer) thereof, together with this precept; and I do hereby command you, the said Superintendent (or other head officer) of the said (prison) to receive the said A.B. into your custody in the said (prison) there to imprison him (and keep him to hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_, unless the said sum, and all costs and charges of the said distress (and of the commitment, amounting to the further sum of \_\_\_\_\_) shall be sooner paid unto you, the said Superintendent (or other head officer); and for your so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish of \_\_\_\_\_.

J.S.



## FORM (14)(a)

(Section 25)

*Warrant of Distress for Costs upon an Order for Dismissal of an  
Information or Complaint*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_ and to all other  
Peace Officers in the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas on \_\_\_\_\_ last past, information was laid  
(or complaint was made) before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's  
Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish, for that, (*etc., as in  
the order of dismissal*); and afterwards, to wit, on \_\_\_\_\_,  
at \_\_\_\_\_, both parties appearing before me in order that  
I should hear and determine the same, and the several proofs adduced  
to me in that behalf being by me duly heard and considered, and it  
manifestly appearing to me that the said information (or complaint)  
was not proved, I therefore dismissed the same, and adjudged that  
the said *C.D.* should pay to the said *A.B.* the sum of \_\_\_\_\_,  
for his costs incurred by him in his defence in that behalf; and I  
ordered that if the said sum for costs should not be paid (forthwith),  
the same should be levied of the goods and chattels of the said *C.D.*;  
and I adjudged that, in default of sufficient distress in that behalf,  
the said *C.D.* should be imprisoned in the (prison) (and there kept to  
hard labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_, unless the said sum  
for costs, and all costs and charges of the said distress, and of the  
commitment, should be sooner paid (\*): And whereas the said *C.D.*  
being now required to pay unto the said *A.B.* the said sum for costs,  
hath not paid the same or any part thereof, but therein hath made  
default: These are therefore to command you, in Her Majesty's name,  
forthwith to make distress of the goods and chattels of the said *C.D.*;  
and if within the space of \_\_\_\_\_ days next after the  
making of such distress, the said last-mentioned sum, together with  
the reasonable charges of taking and keeping the said distress, shall  
not be paid, that then you do sell the said goods and chattels so by  
you distrained, and do pay the money arising from such sale to  
\_\_\_\_\_, the Clerk of the Court for the said parish  
of \_\_\_\_\_, that he may pay and apply the same as  
by law directed, and may render the overplus (if any), on demand, to  
the said *C.D.*; and if no such distress can be found, then that you  
certify the same unto me, to the end that such proceedings may be had  
therein as to the law doth appertain.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

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(Section 25)

FORM (14)(b)

*Warrant of Commitment for Want of Distress in the last case*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_, and to  
the Superintendent (or other head officer) of the (prison)  
at \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas, (*etc., as in the last form to the asterisk, and then thus*),  
And whereas afterwards, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the year aforesaid, I, the said Justice, issued a warrant to the  
constable of \_\_\_\_\_, commanding him to levy the said  
sum of \_\_\_\_\_, for costs by distress and sale of the goods  
and chattels of the said C.D.; and whereas it appears to me, as well  
by the return of the said constable to the said warrant of distress  
as otherwise, that the said constable hath made diligent search for  
the goods and chattels of the said C.D., but that no sufficient distress  
whereon to levy the sum above-mentioned could be found: These are  
therefore to command you, the said constables, to take  
the said C.D., and him safely convey to the (prison) at  
\_\_\_\_\_ aforesaid, and there deliver him to the said Super-  
intendent (or other head officer) thereof, together with this precept;  
and I do hereby command you, the said Superintendent (or other head  
officer) of the said (prison), to receive the said C.D. into your custody  
in the said (prison), there to imprison him (and keep him to hard  
labour) for the space of \_\_\_\_\_, unless the said sum,  
and all costs and charges of the said distress (and of the commitment,  
amounting to the further sum of \_\_\_\_\_), shall be sooner  
paid upon you, the said Superintendent (or other head officer); and for  
your so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

PART II  
INDICTABLE OFFENCES  
FORM (15)

(Section 29)

*Information and Complaint for an Indictable Offence*

Parish of }  
\_\_\_\_\_

The information and complaint of C.D., of \_\_\_\_\_,  
(labourer, etc.), taken this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the



year of our Lord 19 , before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish of , who saith that (*etc., stating the offence*).

Sworn before (me), the day and year first above-mentioned at .

J.S.

## FORM (16)

(Section 29)

*Warrant to apprehend a Person charged with an Indictable Offence*

To each and all of the Constables of and to all other Peace Officers in the said parish of .

Whereas, A.B., of (labourer, etc.), hath this day been charged upon oath before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish of , for that he, on , at , did (*etc., stating shortly the offence*): These are therefore to command you, in Her Majesty's name forthwith, to apprehend the said A.B. and to bring him before (me) or some other of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish, to be dealt with according to law.

24/2013  
2nd Sch.

Given under my hand, this day of ,  
19 , at ,  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

## FORM (17)

(Section 29)

*Summons to a Person charged with an Indictable Offence*

To A.B., of , (labourer).

Whereas, you have this day been charged before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish of , for that you, on , at , (*etc., stating shortly the offence*): These are therefore to command you, in Her Majesty's name, to be and appear before me, on , at o'clock in the forenoon, at , or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same parish, as may then be there, to be dealt with according to law: Herein fail not.

24/2013  
2nd Sch.

*J.S.*

*Warrant where the Summons is disobeyed*

*J.S.*

### Depositions of Witnesses

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(one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said parish, in the presence and hearing of *A.B.*, who is charged this day before (me), for that he that said *A.B.*, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, (*etc., describing the offence as on a warrant of commitment*).

This deponent, *C.D.*, on his (oath) saith as follows: (*etc., stating the deposition of the witness as nearly as possible in the words he uses. When his deposition is complete let him sign it*). And this deponent, *E.F.*, upon his oath saith as follows : (*etc.*).

The above depositions of *C.D.* and *E.F.* were taken and sworn before me, at \_\_\_\_\_, on the day and year above-mentioned.

*J.S.*

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FORM (20)

(Section 36)

*Statement of the Accused*

*A.B.* stands charged before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish aforesaid, this day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of our Lord 19\_\_\_\_, for that he the said *A.B.*, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, (*etc., as in the caption of the depositions*), and the said charge being read to the said *A.B.*, and the witnesses for the prosecution, *C.D.* and *E.F.*, being severally examined in his presence, and the said *A.B.* is now addressed by me as follows: "Having heard the evidence do you wish to say anything in answer to the charge? You are not obliged to say anything unless you desire to do so, but whatever you say will be taken down in writing, and may be given in evidence against you upon your trial." Whereupon the said *A.B.* saith as follows:

(*Here state whatever the prisoner may say, and in his very words, as nearly as possible. Get him to sign it if he will.*)

*A.B.*

Taken before me, at \_\_\_\_\_, the day and year first above-mentioned.

*J.S.*

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FORM (21)(a)

(Section 38)

*Recognizance to Prosecute or give Evidence*

Be it remembered, that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of our Lord 19\_\_\_\_, *C.D.*, of \_\_\_\_\_, in the \_\_\_\_\_

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parish of \_\_\_\_\_, personally came before me, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said parish and acknowledged himself to owe to our Sovereign Lady the Queen, the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ of good and lawful money of this Island, to be made and levied of his goods and chattels, lands and tenements to the use of our said Sovereign Lady the Queen, her heirs and successors, if the said *C.D.* shall fail in the condition indorsed.

Taken and acknowledged the day and year first above-mentioned,  
at \_\_\_\_\_, before me.

*J.S.*

*Condition to Prosecute*

The condition of the within written recognizance is such, that whereas one, *A.B.*, was this day charged before me, *J.S.*, Justice of the Peace within mentioned, for that (*etc., as in the caption of the depositions*): If, therefore, he the said *C.D.* shall appear at the next Circuit Court, to be holden in and for the parish of

\*and there give evidence on such indictments as may then be preferred against the said *A.B.*, then the said recognizance to be void, or else to stand in full force and virtue.

*Condition to Prosecute and give Evidence*

Same as the last form to the asterisk, and then thus: "And there give evidence on such indictment as may then preferred against the said *A.B.*, then the said recognizance to be void, or else to stand in full force and virtue."

*Condition to give Evidence*

Same as the last form but one to the asterisk, and then thus: "And there give such evidence as he knowest upon such indictment as may then be preferred against the said *A.B.*, then the said recognizance to be void, or else to stand in full force and virtue."

(Section 38)

FORM (21)(b)

*Notice of the said Recognizance to be given to the Prosecutor  
and his Witnesses*

Parish of } \_\_\_\_\_

Take notice that you, *C.D.*, of \_\_\_\_\_, are bound in the sum of \_\_\_\_\_, to appear at the next Circuit Court, for the parish of \_\_\_\_\_, to be holden at \_\_\_\_\_ and then and there (prosecute and) give evidence against *A.B.*; and



Dated this                      day of                      , 19                      .  
J.S.

(Section 38)

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Given under my hand, this                      day of                      ,  
 19                      , at                      ,  
 in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

(Section 38)

## FORM (22) (b)

*Subsequent Order for Discharge the Witness*

To the Superintendent ( *or other head officer* ) of the ( prison ) at

Whereas by (my) order dated the                      day of                      (instant) reciting that *A.B.* was lately before then charged before (me) for a certain offence therein mentioned, and that *E.F.* having appeared before me, and being examined as a witness for the prosecution in that behalf, refused to enter into a recognizance to give evidence against the said *A.B.*; and I therefore thereby committed the said *E.F.* to your custody, and required you safely to keep him until after the trial of the said *A.B.* for the defence aforesaid, unless in the meantime he should enter into such recognizance as aforesaid; and whereas for want of sufficient evidence against the said *A.B.*, the said *A.B.* has not been committed, or holden to bail for the said offence, but on the contrary thereof has been since discharged, and it is therefore not necessary that the said *E.F.* should be detained longer in your custody: These are therefore to order and direct you, the said Superintendent ( *or other head officer* ) to discharge the said *E.F.* out of your custody as to the said commitment, and suffer him to go at large.

Given under my hand, this                      day of                      ,  
 19                      , at                      ,  
 in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

(Section 39(1))

## FORM (23)(a)

*Warrant Remanding a Prisoner*

To each and all of the Constables of                      , and to  
 the Superintendent ( *or other head officer* ) of the ( prison )  
 at                      .

Whereas *A.B.* was this day charged before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of                      , for that ( *etc., as in the warrant to apprehend* ),

and it appears to me to be necessary to remand the said *A.B.*: These are therefore to command you, the said constables, in Her Majesty's name, forthwith to convey the said *A.B.* to the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_, and there to deliver him to the Superintendent (*or other head officer*) thereof, together with this precept: And I hereby command you, the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) to receive the said *A.B.* in your custody in the said (prison), and there safely keep him until the day of \_\_\_\_\_ instant, when I hereby command you to have him at \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock in the forenoon of the same day, before me, or before such other Justice of Justices of the Peace for the said parish as may then be there, to be dealt with according to law, unless you shall be otherwise ordered in the meantime.

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2nd Sch.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

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FORM (23)(b)

(Section  
39(3) )

*Recognizance of Bail, instead of Remand on an Adjournment of  
Examination*

Be it remembered, that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of our Lord 19\_\_\_\_, *A.B.*, of \_\_\_\_\_, labourer, *L.M.*, of \_\_\_\_\_, gentleman and *N.O.*, of \_\_\_\_\_, planter, personally came before me, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said parish, and severally acknowledged themselves to owe to our Sovereign Lady the Queen the several sums following, that is to say, the said *A.B.* the sum of \_\_\_\_\_, and the said *L.M.* and *N.O.* the sum of \_\_\_\_\_, each, of good and lawful money of this Island, to be made and levied of their several goods and chattels, lands and tenements, respectively, to the use of our said Sovereign Lady the Queen, her heirs and successors, if he the said *A.B.* fail in the condition indorsed.

Taken and acknowledged the day and year first above-mentioned, at \_\_\_\_\_, before me.

*J.S.*

*Condition*

The condition of the within written recognizance is such, that whereas the within bounden *A.B.* was this day (*or on* last past) charged before me, for that (*etc., as in the warrant*); And whereas the examination of the witnesses for the prosecution in this



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2nd Sch.      behalf is adjourned until the                      day of                      instant:  
If therefore the said *A.B.* shall appear before me on the said  
   day of                      , at                      o'clock in  
the forenoon, or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for  
the said parish as may then be there, to be dealt with according to  
law, then the said recognizance to be void, or else to stand in full force  
and virtue.

(Section 39(3))

## FORM (23) (c)

*Notice of such Recognizance to be given to the Accused and his  
Sureties*

24/2014  
2nd Sch.      Take notice that you, *A.B.* of                      , are bound in the  
sum of                      , and your sureties *L.M.* and *N.O.* in the sum  
of                      each, that you, *A.B.* appear before me, *J.S.*, one  
of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the parish of                      ,  
on the                      day of                      instant, at  
o'clock in the forenoon at                      , or before such other  
Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same parish as may then be  
there, to be dealt with according to law: And unless you, *A.B.*,  
personally appear accordingly, the recognizance entered into by your-  
self and sureties will be forthwith levied on you and them.

Dated this                      day of                      19                      .

*J.S.*

(Section 40)

## FORM (24)

*Warrant to convey the Accused before a Justice of the Parish, etc.,  
in which the Offence was committed*

To each and all of the Constables of                      and to all other  
Peace Officers in the said parish of                      .

Whereas, *A.B.*, of                      , (labourer), hath this day  
been charged before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices  
of the Peace, in and for the said parish of                      , for that  
(*etc., as in the warrant to apprehend*): And whereas (I) have taken the  
deposition of *C.D.*, a witness examined by (me) in this behalf, but  
inasmuch as (I) am informed that the principal witnesses to prove  
the said offence against the said *A.B.*, reside in the parish of *C.*,  
where the said offence is alleged to have been committed: These are  
therefore to command you, the said constables in Her Majesty's name,  
forthwith to take and convey the said *A.B.*, to the said parish of *C.*,  
and there carry him before some Justice or Justices of the Peace, in



and for that parish where the offence is alleged to have been committed, to be dealt with according to law: And (I) hereby further command you, the said constables, to deliver to the said Justice or Justices the information in this behalf, and also the said deposition of C.D., now given in your possession for that purpose; together with this precept.

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2nd Sch.

Given under my hand, this                      day of                      ,  
19              , at                      ,  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

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FORM (25)(a)

(Section 41)

*Recognizance of Bail*

Be it remembered, that on the                      day of                      ,  
in the year of our Lord 19              , A.B., of                      , (labourer),  
L.M., of                      , (gentleman), and N.O., of                      ,  
(planter), personally came before (us) the undersigned, (two) one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said parish, and severally acknowledged themselves to owe to our Sovereign Lady the Queen, the sums following, that is to say, the said A.B., the sum of                      , and the said L.M. and N.O., the sum of                      each, of good and lawful money of this Island, to be made and levied of their several goods and chattels, lands and tenements, respectively, to the use of our said Sovereign Lady the Queen, her heirs and successors, if he the said A.B. fail in the condition indorsed.

Taken and acknowledged the day and year first above-mentioned, at                      , before us.

J.S.

J.N.

*Condition in Ordinary Cases*

The condition of the within written recognizance is such, that whereas the said A.B. was this day charged before (us) the Justices within mentioned, for that (*etc., as in the warrant*): If, therefore, the said A.B. will appear at the next Circuit Court, to be holden in and for the parish of                      , and there surrender himself into the custody of the Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the (prison) there, and plead to such indictment as may be presented against by the Director of Public Prosecutions, and take his trial upon the same, and not depart the said Court without licence, then the said recognizance to be void, or else to stand in full force and virtue.

(Section 41)

## FORM (25) (b)

*Notice of the said Recognizance to be given to the Accused and his Bail*

Take notice that you. *A.B.*, of \_\_\_\_\_, are bound in the sum of \_\_\_\_\_, and your sureties *L.M.* and *N.O.* in the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ each, that you *A.B.* appear, (*etc., as in the condition of the recognizance*), and not depart the said Court without leave; and unless you, the said *A.B.* personally appear and plead and take your trial accordingly, the recognizance entered into by you and your sureties shall be forthwith levied on you and them.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_

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(Section 41)

## FORM (25) (c)

*Certificate of Consent to Bail by the Committing Justice, indorsed on the Commitment*

I hereby certify that I consent to the within-named *A.B.*, being bailed by recognizance, himself in \_\_\_\_\_ and (two) sureties in \_\_\_\_\_ each.

J.S.

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(Section 41)

## FORM (25) (d)

*The like on a separate paper*

Whereas, *A.B.* was on the \_\_\_\_\_, committed by me to the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_, charged with (*etc., naming the offence shortly*): I hereby certify that I consent to the said *A.B.* being bailed by recognizance, himself in \_\_\_\_\_ and (two) sureties in \_\_\_\_\_ each.

J.S.

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(Section 42)

## FORM (25) (e)

*Warrant of Deliverance on bail being given for a Prisoner already committed*

To the Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_

Whereas *A.B.*, late of \_\_\_\_\_, (labourer), hath before (us, two) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish, entered into his own recognizance, and found sufficient sureties for his appearance at the next Circuit Court, to be holden

in and for the parish of \_\_\_\_\_, to answer our Sovereign Lady the Queen, for that (*etc., as in the commitment*), for which he was taken and committed to your said (prison): These are therefore to command you in Her Majesty's name, that if the said *A.B.* do remain in your custody in the said (prison) for the said cause and for no other, you shall forthwith suffer him to go at large.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

*J.N.*

FORM (26)(a)

(Section 43)

*Warrant of Commitment*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_, and to the Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas, *A.B.*, was this day charged before me, *J.S.*, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, on the oath of *C.D.*, of \_\_\_\_\_, (planter), and others, for that, (*etc., stating, shortly the offence*): These are therefore to command you, the said constables, to take the said *A.B.*, and him safely to convey to the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_ aforesaid and there to deliver him to the Superintendent (*or other head officer*) thereof, together with this precept; and I do hereby command you, the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the said (prison) to receive the said *A.B.* into your custody in the said (prison), and there safely keep him until he shall be thence delivered by due course of law.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

FORM (26)(b)

(Section 44)

*Gaoler's Receipt to the Constable for the Prisoner*

I hereby certify that I have received from *W.T.*, constable of \_\_\_\_\_, the body of *A.B.*, together with a warrant under the hand of *J.S.*, Esquire, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the parish of \_\_\_\_\_, and that the said *A.B.*, was (sober, *or as the case may be*) at the time he was so delivered into my custody.

*P.B.,  
Superintendent (or other head officer),  
of the prison.*

(Section 47)

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PART III  
GENERAL PROVISIONS  
FORM (27)  
*Summons of a Witness  
(Under Part I)*

To *E.F.*, of \_\_\_\_\_, in the parish of \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas information was laid (*or* complaint was made) before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, for that (*etc., as in the summons*) and it hath been made to appear to me, upon (oath) that you are likely to give material evidence on behalf of the (prosecutor, *or* complainant *or* defendant) in this behalf: These are therefore to require you to be and appear on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock in the forenoon at \_\_\_\_\_ before such Justices of the Peace for the said parish as may then be there, to testify what you shall know concerning the matter of the said information (*or* complaint).

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

(Section 47)

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FORM (28)  
*Summons of a Witness  
(Under Part II)*

To *E.F.*, of \_\_\_\_\_, (labourer) \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas information hath been laid before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, that *A.B.* (*etc., as in the summons or warrant against the accused*), and it hath been made to appear to me upon (oath) that you are likely to give material evidence for the (prosecution *or* defence): These are therefore to require you to be and to appear before me on \_\_\_\_\_ next, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock in the forenoon, at \_\_\_\_\_, *or* before such other Justice or Justices of \_\_\_\_\_



the Peace for the same parish as may then be there, to testify what you shall know concerning the said charge so made against the said *A.B.* as aforesaid. Herein fail not.

Given under my hand, this                      day of                      ,  
                     19                      , at                      ,  
                     in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

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FORM (29)

(Section 47)

*Warrant where a Witness has not Obeyed a Summons*  
*(Under Part I)*

To each and all of the Constables of                      , and to all other  
                     Peace Officers in the said parish of                      .

Whereas information was laid (*or* complaint was made) before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish of                      , for that (*etc., as in the summons*), and it having been made to appear to me upon oath that *E.F.*, of                      , in the said parish, labourer, was likely to give material evidence on behalf of the (prosecutor), I did duly issue my summons to the said *E.F.*, requiring him to be and appear on                      , at                      o'clock in the forenoon of the same day, at                      before such Justices of the Peace of the said parish as might then be there to testify what he should know concerning the said *A.B.*, or the matter of the said information (*or* complaint); and whereas proof hath this day been made before me upon oath of such summons having been duly served the said *E.F.*, and of a reasonable sum having been paid (*or* tendered) to him for his costs and expenses in that behalf; and whereas the said *E.F.* hath neglected to appear at the time and place appointed by the said summons, and no just excuse hath been offered for such neglect: These are therefore to command you to take the said *E.F.*, and to bring and have him on                      , at                      o'clock in the forenoon at                      , before such Justices of the Peace for the said parish as may then be there, to testify what he shall know concerning the matter of the said information (*or* complaint).

Given under my hand, this                      day of                      ,  
                     19                      , at                      ,  
                     in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

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## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE JURISDICTION

(Section 47)

## FORM (30)

*Warrant where a Witness has not Obeyed a Summons  
(Under Part II)*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_ and to all other  
Peace Officers in the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas information having been laid before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, that *A.B. (etc., as in the summons)*, and it having been made to appear to (me) upon oath that *E.F.* of \_\_\_\_\_ (labourer), was likely to give material evidence for the prosecution, I did duly issue my summons to the said *E.F.*, requiring him to be and appear before me on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same parish, as might then be there, to testify what he should know respecting the said charge so made against the said *A.B.* as aforesaid: And whereas proof hath this day been made before me, upon oath, of such summons having been duly served upon the said *E.F.*; and whereas the said *E.F.* hath neglected to appear at the time and place appointed by the said summons, and no just excuse has been offered for such neglect: These are therefore to command you to bring and have the said *E.F.* before me, on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock in the forenoon, at \_\_\_\_\_, or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same parish as may then be there, to testify what he shall know concerning the said charge so made against the said *A.B.* as aforesaid.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

## FORM (31)

(Section 47)

*Warrant for a Witness in the First Instance  
(Under Part I)*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_ and to all other  
Peace Officers in the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas information was laid (or complaint was made) before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_ for that (etc., as in the summons), and it being made to appear before me, upon oath, that *E.F.*, of \_\_\_\_\_

(labourer), is likely to give material evidence on behalf of the (prosecutor) in this matter, and it is probable that the said *E.F.* will not attend to give evidence without, being compelled so to do: These are therefore to command you to bring and have the said *E.F.* before me, on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock in the forenoon, at \_\_\_\_\_, or before such other Justices of the Peace for the said parish as may then be there, to testify what he shall know concerning the matter of the said information (or complaint).

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

FORM (32)

(Section 47)

*Warrant for a Witness in the first instance*  
(Under Part II)

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_ and to all other  
Peace Officers in the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas information hath been laid before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, that (*etc., as in the summons*), and it having been made to appear to (me) upon oath, that *E.F.*, of \_\_\_\_\_ (labourer), is likely to give material evidence for the prosecution, and that it is probable that the said *E.F.* will not attend to give evidence without being compelled so to do: These are therefore to command you to bring and have the said *E.F.* before me, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock in the forenoon, at \_\_\_\_\_, or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same parish as may then be there, to testify what he shall know concerning the said charge so made against the said *A.B.*, as aforesaid.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE JURISDICTION

(Section 47)

## FORM (33)

*Commitment of a Witness for refusing to be sworn, or to give evidence  
(Under Part I)*

To each and all of the Constables of the parish of \_\_\_\_\_, and to  
the Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the (prison)  
at \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas information was laid (*or* complaint was made) before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, for that (*etc., as in the summons*) and one *E.F.*, now appearing before me, such Justice as aforesaid, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, and being required by me to make oath (*or* affirmation) as a witness in that behalf, hath now refused so to do (*or*, being now here duly sworn as a witness in the matter of the said information or complaint, doth refuse to answer certain questions concerning the premises, which are now here put to him), without offering any just excuse for such his refusal: These are therefore to command you, the said constables to take the said *E.F.*, and him safely convey to the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_, aforesaid, and there deliver him to the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) thereof, together with this precept; and I do hereby command you, the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the said (prison) to receive the said *E.F.* into your custody in the said (prison), and there imprison him for such his contempt, for the space of \_\_\_\_\_ days, unless he shall, in the meantime, consent to be examined, and to answer concerning the premises: And for your so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the parish aforesaid.

J.S.

(Section 47)

## FORM (34)

*Warrant of Commitment of a witness for refusing to be sworn, or to  
give evidence  
(Under Part II)*

To each and all of the Constables of \_\_\_\_\_, and to  
The Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the (prison)  
at \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereas, *A.B.*, was lately charged before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said parish of \_\_\_\_\_, for that (*etc., as in the summons*), and it having



been made to appear to (me), upon oath, that *E.F.*, of \_\_\_\_\_, was likely to give material evidence for the prosecution, I duly issued my summons to the said *E.F.*, requiring him to be and appear before me on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace as should then be there, to testify what he should know concerning the said charge so made against the said *A.B.*, as aforesaid; and the said *E.F.*, now appearing before me (*or* being brought before me by virtue of a warrant in that behalf, to testify as aforesaid), and being required to make oath or affirmation as a witness in that behalf, hath now refused so to do (*or* being duly sworn as a witness doth now refuse to answer certain questions concerning the premises, which are here put to him, without offering any just excuse for such his refusal): These are therefore to command you, the said constables to take the said *E.F.*, and him safely to convey to the (prison) at \_\_\_\_\_ in the parish aforesaid, and there deliver him to the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) thereof, together with this precept; and I do hereby command you, the said Superintendent (*or other head officer*) of the said (prison) to receive the said *E.F.*, into your custody in the said (prison) and him there safely keep for the space of \_\_\_\_\_ days for his said contempt, unless he shall, in the meantime, consent to be examined and to answer concerning the premises, and for your so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

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FORM (35)

(Section 62)

*Order to Superintendent of Prison to bring up person  
imprisoned to answer further charge*

To \_\_\_\_\_, Superintendent (*or other head officer*)  
of the \_\_\_\_\_ Prison.  
Whereas \_\_\_\_\_, now in your custody has this day been charged, on oath, before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the parish of \_\_\_\_\_ for that he (*stating shortly the offence*): These are therefore to command you to bring the said \_\_\_\_\_, before me,

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on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock in the forenoon, or  
 before such other Justice of the Peace, for the same as  
 may then be there, that the said charge may be duly inquired into.

Given under my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
 19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
 in the parish aforesaid.

*J.S.*

*Justice of the Peace.*

(Section 65)

**SCALE OF FEES**

On each information	...	...	...	\$10.00
On each summons	...	...	...	\$20.00
On each warrant	...	...	...	\$20.00
On each affidavit to ground search warrant and warrant	...	...	...	\$20.00
On each affidavit and warrant for articles of the peace and good behaviour	...	...	...	\$20.00
On each summons, or subpoena for a witness, to contain not more than four names including the affidavit of materiality to obtain same	...	...	...	\$10.00
On each warrant of distress	...	...	...	\$10.00
On each Order of Court	...	...	...	\$10.00
On each certificate to be annexed to proceedings	...	...	...	\$10.00
On each certified copy and extract of proceedings, for every sheet of 160 words	...	...	...	\$10.00

**SECOND SCHEDULE**

(Section 5A)

The Agricultural Produce Act  
 The Agricultural Small Holdings Act  
 The Cocoa Industry Board Act  
 The Country Fires Act  
 The Cruelty to Animals Act  
 The Keeping of Animals Act  
 The Larceny Act, sections 48 to 51  
 The National Solid Waste Management Act  
 The Praedial Larceny (Prevention) Act  
 The Public Health Act  
 The Quarries Control Act  
 The Registration of Business Names Act

The Rent Restriction Act

The Trespass Act

The Weights and Measures Act

The Tourist Board (Prescribed Areas) Regulations, 1985