

At a General Assembly begun and holden at Philadelphia the fourteenth day of October, A. D. 1714, and continued by adjournments until the twenty-eighth day of May, 1715, the following acts were passed:

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CHAPTER CC.

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AN ACT OF PRIVILEGES TO A FREEMAN.

[Section I.] Be it enacted by Charles Gookin, Esquire, by the royal approbation, Lieutenant-Governor, under William Penn, Esquire, Proprietary and Governor-in-Chief of the Province of Pennsylvania, by and with the advice and consent of the free-men of the Province in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That no freeman of this province shall be taken or imprisoned, disseized of his freehold or liberties, or be outlawed or exiled or any otherwise hurt, damnified or destroyed, nor be tried nor condemned but by the lawful judgment of his twelve equals or by the laws of this province.

Provided nevertheless, That nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to obstruct the power of the court of admiralty concerning any matter properly recognizable in the said court.

Passed May 28, 1715. Repealed by the Lords Justices in Council July 21, 1719. See Appendix IV, Section II.