

No. XXXVI.

An Act to enable any Judge of the Supreme Court to hear and determine matters in the Equity Ecclesiastical and Divorce Jurisdiction of the Court. [31st May, 1887.]

SUPREME COURT
(JUDGES ENABLING).

WHEREAS it is expedient that any of the Judges of the Supreme Court should when so requested have power to hear and determine all matters arising in the Equity Ecclesiastical or Divorce Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:—

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in the "Matrimonial Causes Act" or in the "Equity Act of 1880" or in the "Ecclesiastical Procedure Act 1883" any Judge of the Supreme Court may at the request of the Primary Judge in Equity or of the Judge of the Divorce Court respectively as the case may be or of the Chief Justice sit alone and hear and determine all causes or matters depending in Equity or in the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction or all causes matters or suits depending in the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Jurisdiction and shall have while so acting co-ordinate jurisdiction with and all the powers of the Primary Judge or of the Judge of the Divorce Court subject however to the same right of appeal as now exists from the decision of the Primary Judge or of the Judge of the Divorce Court.

Provision for
discharge tempo-
rarily of duties
of Divorce Judge
and Primary Judge.