

Piracy. The Subjects of King William and Queen Mary taken at Sea acting by the late King James's commission were looked on as pirates, and not as enemies according to the opinion of the best Authors. Because an absolute prince who has no longer the managing the Affairs of the Nation being fallen from a publick to a private condition, and under the power and Government of another can have no more right than any other private person to grant commissions to private men of war to disturb the Trade and commerce of any Nation, and those who act by his commission may be dealt with as if they acted by themselves or the authority of any private person. Nations have no other way to hinder their ships or goods from being taken but by treating them as pirates who rob by such Commission, there is no way of making a titular King weary of granting such commissions as long as he can find persons willing to accept and act by them. He runs no risk of loosing any thing, but may get a considerable Booty by his private persons in robbery as well as molest his Enemies. No Reparations to be made because he has no ships to lose but those of the private persons who interest him that their Robberies should be continued. He has no Trade or Commerce to guard, nor Territories to be defended. In short he has nothing to lose by Sea or Land. Therefore Nations have no other way to hinder disturbing their commerce but by using the utmost rigor against such as accept his commissions, that by the Terror of the example they may fright others from attempting the like, and infesting the Seas. His granting a commission to private persons, is subgranting them authority to rob whom they please a mind to, who being judges in their own cause cannot be supposed but will Judge all that comes to them, not to be fit. Since he who grants the commission is not able to punish them if they should much exceed the bounds of it nor to give satisfaction for any injuries they commit, it is cause in another Prince's Territories whether the pretended prizes might be brought before some hall no power to erect a court of judicature to Judge according to the maritime laws concerning the ships and goods that are taken. It is true Robberies have sometimes been punisched to punish a Titular King for privately destroying a dominion; but this is no Right he can pretend to by the Law of Nations, but only by the permission of the King in whose Dominions he is. We can therefore by any instance where a Dispossess a Prince was allowed to erect a Court of Judicature in another King's Dominions, and declare Imperium in Imperio, perhaps it may be said, The King himself into whose Dominions the prizes are brought may Judge concerning them. But what if he will not? He is not obliged, nor can he have Right to Judge or punish those that acted not by his, but by another King's Commission for what they did against all men. Mary except they are his subjects. And the same Reason that makes them his subjects, will make the Exiled King so too; and consequently a private person without power to grant commissions to his fellow subjects. All Authors both ancient and modern who have written upon this subject have esteemed none enemies but those that have sumnum Imperium, and all others either Robbers or pirates. But when those who at first were Robbers have turned themselves into societies civil, where persons as well as subjects may have Justice administered, they are looked on as Nations, and civil Societies and in their wars with other nations used as enemies. Nor was the beginning of most Empires much better. Who ever prolonged the dignity of being esteemed an enemy, must have power of making peace and war. It would be ridiculous for a private person to pretend to declare war, since he cannot do it for any Nation, but only for himself. The English had neither peace nor war with the late King James, and looked on him as a private person incapable of making either. If it be urged, That a King unjustly deposed has still a Right to his Kingdom, and consequently that is in order to recover it. Its answer, The Interest of a King when he has no longer the management of the Affairs of any nation is no more sacred than that of any other person. It was only the office that made the difference, which when he is no longer possessed of, he is but upon the same level with the rest of mankind; and then the peace and quiet of Trade and commerce of a nation ought not to be disturbed more for his than any other particular persons Interest. No King would suffer Royal Prizes to be paid to Christina when she could be Queen of Sweden, and it was the Judgment of all the Lawyers who ever mentioned that point, that she had no Right to them. Besides the King had accepting a commission from the late King being the Subjects of King William & Queen Mary 1688 thereby guilty of Treason, and the commission was null and void as well upon their Account that received it, as his that granted it. None of the Seizing of Ships and Goods by no commission is piracy, a commission to commit Treason which is void and null, must be so, no commission and a void commission being all one. Matt. Tindall D. 259, concerning the Laws of Nations and the Rights of Sovereigns. State Trade vol. 2, pag. 462. 2d. Supra in my Body of Law vol. 1, pag. 45-46 & 59, vol. 2, pag. 565, vol. 3 pag. 11.

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particularly relating to the profession of the Law there,
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Terms of the Law of England

Actions (civiles) in the Law of Scotland	Actions (civiles) in the Law of England
Actions from suit of court to whom they may come	The Law of Civil Rights.
Actions (civiles) particular part of Scotland	Action of property.
Actions (civiles) particular part of Scotland	Appellant, Respondent, Plaintiff, Pursuant
According or agreeable to	To Accuse.
Actions (civiles)	The Right of Governorship between, Joint Tenants
Actions (civiles)	An Appeal.
Accusation (civiles) of one for a Crime against another who is his Nemo in se and offends	Imprisonment, from the Emperor or the Lat. Imperator
To prove a prosecution of a criminal	Proffessor.
Accusation by the House of Commons	Appellee.
Accuser or Informer	Accuser in Criminal Trial.
Accused person in a Criminal Trial	Appellant.
one who confesses a crime before conviction and doth accuse his Accomplices (civiles) Criminis	Approbation.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	To abide by it.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	In civil cases common cause or the original Plaintiff common parties in action founded upon Equity.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	Action lies, it is actionable.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	Action super et cetera.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	Action super Causum Action on the case so called because the whole case is laid in the Declaration.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	A Mixed Action, or that which one may have for recovering the thing demanded and also damages for the damage done to him in England. Actions in law are called Actions in fact, and Actions in equity.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	In fact, or upon matter of fact.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	Issues, to be tried for Information of the Conscience of the Judge or Court.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	Rules of Court, orders of court.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	In Equity.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	To affirm a former Judgment.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	It will of Right a new of Exeat, Exaudi facias.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	Action of a Plaintiff to have his cause heard.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	An Action by Plaintiff in an Exeat and Liberate, for an Action of Execution in the name of the Plaintiff, Lands, in his possession, and registered or entered on Record.
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Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	In Equity.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	To take heed.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	Spoil or breach.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	Elopement.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	Counsellors at Law. Some of those are called scriveners ad legem, to whom as men best learned and experienced in the Law and practice in their country, the common cause is referred to plead in their behalf, but they are not so limited as to be restrained from pleading in any other Courts, where the Judges can no longer tell them Brethren, and how then will
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	Proceed.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	Attorney General.
Actions (civiles) in a forensic of Judges in the first instance	To remand into a Superior Court.