

CHAPTER 24

AFFIDAVITS

Act No. 23 of 1953. AN ACT TO ENABLE AFFIDAVITS REQUIRED FOR ANY PURPOSE WHATSOEVER TO BE IN THE SInHALA OR TAMIL LANGUAGE.

[25thApril, 1953.]

Short title. **1.** This Act may be cited as the Affidavits Act.

(2) Where an affidavit in the Sinhala or Tamil language is to be used in such legal proceedings as are in the English language, it shall be accompanied by a translation thereof in the English language made and signed by an interpreter of the Supreme Court, the Court of Appeal or the High Court, or by a Government sworn translator, or by a sworn translator or interpreter of some District Court, Family Court, Magistrate's Court or Primary Court.

Affidavits may be in the Sinhala or Tamil or English language. **2. (1)** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any other written law, an affidavit required for any purpose whatsoever may be written, and sworn or affirmed, in the Sinhala or Tamil or English language.