

**Revised Statutes of 1846 (EXCERPT)**  
**ESTATES IN DOWER**

**558.1 Right of widow to dower.**

Sec. 1. The widow of every deceased person, shall be entitled to dower, or the use during her natural life, of 1/3 part of all the lands whereof her husband was seized of an estate of inheritance, at any time during the marriage, unless she is lawfully barred thereof.

**History:** R.S. 1846, Ch. 66;—CL 1857, 2772;—CL 1871, 4269;—How. 5733;—CL 1897, 8918;—CL 1915, 11654;—CL 1929, 13072;—CL 1948, 558.1.