

**PROVIDED**, That the Discharge of the said Alexander Simms, and Archibald Johnson, or any of them, shall not acquit any other Person from such Debt, Damages, or Cost, or any Part thereof; but that all such Persons shall be answerable for the same, in such Manner, as they were before the Passing of this Act.

**PROVIDED** always, and be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That notwithstanding the Discharge of the said Alexander Simms, and Archibald Johnson, all and every Debt or Debts, due or owing from them and every of them, and all and every Judgment had and taken, or Decree obtained against them, or any of them shall stand, and be good and effectual in the Law, to all Intents and Purposes, against the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, Goods, and Chattels of them, and every of them, which they, or any of them, or any other Person in Trust, or to the Use of them, or any of them, at the Time of the Discharge of the said Alexander Simms, and Archibald Johnson, or any of them, or which they, or any of them, at any Time hereafter, shall, or may be any way seized or possessed of, or intrusted in, to their own Use, or to the Use of any of them, or in their proper Right, or in the proper Right of any of them, either in Law or Equity, except the Wearing Apparel and Bedding, or Working Tools of them, or any of them, not exceeding the Value of Five Pounds Current Money. And it shall and may be lawful for any of their Creditors, their Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, to take out a new Execution or new Executions, against the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, Goods or, Chattels, of the said Alexander Simms, and Archibald Johnson, or any of them, (except as before excepted) for the Satisfaction of his or their Debt or Debts, in such Sort, Manner, and Form, as he or they might have done, if the said Alexander Simms, and Archibald Johnson, or any of them, had not been taken in Execution, or discharged by Virtue of this Act.

**AND** be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Action of Escape be brought against any Sheriff, or any Suit or Action be brought against any Justice or Justices, for performing their Office in Pursuance of this Act, he or they may plead the General Issue, and give this Act and the special Matter in Evidence, if the Plaintiff be Nonsuit, or discontinue his or her Action, or Verdict passed against such Plaintiff, or Judgment upon Demurrer, the Defendant shall have and recover double Costs.

**PROVIDED** also, That nothing in this Act shall extend, or be construed to extend, to bar any Creditor or Creditors of the before mentioned Prisoners, or any of them, from having or maintaining any Action of Escape against any Sheriff, who hath permitted any Escape before the making of this Act.

**PROVIDED** nevertheless, That in Case the said Alexander Simms, and Archibald Johnson, or any of them, shall, at any Time after the making such their Oath or Oaths, or taking such Affirmation as aforesaid, be convicted of wilful and corrupt Perjury thereupon, or of a wilful Breach or Non Compliance with the Tenour of such Oath or Affirmation as aforesaid, that then the said Alexander Simms, and Archibald Johnson, or such of them as shall be convicted as aforesaid, shall, upon such Conviction, be wholly deprived of any Benefit intended him, them, or any of them, by this Law; and shall be from thenceforth liable to be prosecuted for any Debts or Demands whatsoever, in the same Manner as if this Act, had never been made; any thing therein contained to the contrary, notwithstanding.

**PROVIDED** always, That the Sheriff of St. Mary's County, shall be first satisfied his Imprisonment Fees, out of the respective Effects of the said Prisoners, before any other Creditor or Creditors shall have any Share of the Prisoners Effects. And if the said Prisoners Effects shall not be sufficient to pay and satisfy to the Sheriff, his Imprisonment Fees, that then each respective Prisoner shall, after his Release out of Prison, be liable to pay and satisfy to the Sheriff, the Residue of his Imprisonment Fees: Provided, that the said Sheriff, shall not prosecute or imprison such Prisoner within Two Years after his Release; any Thing in this Act to the contrary, notwithstanding.

**SAVING** to His most Sacred Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, His Heirs and Successors, and all Bodies Politick and Corporate, and all others not mentioned in this Act, their several and respective Rights.

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The following **PRIVATE LAWS**, were also Enacted this Session.

**A**N ACT to enable the Clerk of the Provincial Court, or the Clerk of Baltimore County Court, to Record a Deed of Bargain and Sale, from Benony Fanning, and Hannab his Wife, to John Contee, and to make the same Deed Valid.

**A**N ACT to repeal an Act, intituled, An Act for the Relief of the Devises of James Philips the Elder, and Anthony Philips, late of Baltimore County, deceased.

**A**N ACT for the Relief of Anne Osburn, of St. Mary's County.

**A**N ACT for the Naturalization of Onorio Rozalini, of Annapolis,