

VI. And be it enacted, That the several and respective courts shall have full power and authority, upon any application to such court by any person or persons grieved, that any attorney or solicitor of such court, for business hereafter to be done, hath exacted and taken a larger and greater reward than the service performed was reasonably worth, to summon such attorney or solicitor complained of, and, on appearance or refusal to appear to hear and determine such complaint, and if it shall appear to such court, upon examination, that any attorney or solicitor has exacted more from the party complaining, for any service rendered, than such service was reasonably worth, such court shall and may order such attorney or solicitor to return, within six weeks, to the party grieved, whatever sum of money, tobacco, or other commodity, has been, by such attorney or solicitor, received more than the service shall be adjudged reasonably to be worth; and if such attorney or solicitor shall refuse to comply with such order, it shall and may be lawful for such court to suspend such attorney or solicitor from practising in such court until such order is complied with, or to strike such attorney or solicitor from the roll of attorneys or solicitors; provided that such complaint be made within six months after the service performed, by the cause being tried, or otherwise out of court, and not otherwise.

CHAP. XVII, XVIII. Court may suspend attorneys for exaction, &c.

VII. And be it enacted, That any person apprehending himself aggrieved, by the judgment or determination of any court upon the subjects and matters contained in this act, shall have a right to appeal to the superior courts, according to their respective jurisdictions, as the course of appeal is settled by law in other cases; and if the superior court shall be of opinion, that any attorney or solicitor has been unjustly denied admission, or suspended or struck out of the rolls of attorneys or solicitors against law, such superior court shall, by mandamus, order such attorney or solicitor, unjustly denied admission or illegally suspended, to be admitted as an attorney or solicitor, or reinstated, as the case may be.

Persons aggrieved may appeal, &c.

VIII. This act to continue for three years, and until the end of the next session of assembly which shall happen thereafter.

Continuance.

CHAP. XVIII.

An ACT to authorise and empower Charles Greenbury Ridgely, son and heir at law of Charles Greenbury Ridgely, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, jointly with Sarah Ridgely and Henry Ridgely, administrators of the said Charles Greenbury Ridgely, deceased, to sell and dispose of a part of the real estate of the deceased, for the payment of his debts.

WHEREAS the aforesaid Sarah Ridgely, Henry Ridgely, and Charles Greenbury Ridgely, have by their petition to this general assembly set forth, that Charles Greenbury Ridgely, late of Anne-Arundel county, departed this life some time in the year seventeen hundred and eighty, seised and possessed of a considerable real and personal estate; that at the time of his death he was

Preamble.