

ACTS OF THE ASSEMBLY PASSED IN
JUNE AND JULY 1755

At a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the twenty third day of June in the 5 year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable Frederick absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c annoque Domini 1755 and ending the 8.th day of July following.

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The following Laws were Enacted and assented to by his Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esquire Governor.

- No. 1 An Act to Impower Ann Chambers Widow to Sell Certain Lands which Samuel Chambers Late of Ann Arundell County Died possessed of in fee Simple for Payment of his Debts.

Whereas the said Ann Chambers by her humble petition to this present General assembly set forth that her Husband Samuel Chambers Departed this life Intestate Leaving her and one Daughter (their only Child) about fourteen years of age that the said Samuel Chambers at the time of his Death was Greatly Indebted to Divers persons as well Merchants as others in Sundry large Sums of Sterling and Current Money on Mortgage Bonds and other Specialties and Simple Contracts and left only a small inconsiderable Personal Estate to Discharge the Debts aforesaid. That the said Samuel died possessed of an Estate in fee simple in part of a Tract of Land called Bessenton lying in Ann Arundell County aforesaid near Bean hill (or South River) Church containing three hundred and fifty Acres more or less and also died possessed of one Other Tract of Land called the Obligation lying in Ann Arundell County aforesaid Contiguous to the said Land called Bessenton Containing thirty one acres more or less. That although the Personal Estate of the said Samuel Chambers is Greatly insufficient to Discharge the Debts of the said Samuel which are due on Mortgage Bonds and Other Specialties and Simple Contracts Yet the said Ann Chambers by her Petition hath set forth she is desirous to Discharge all the said Samuels Just Debts without being Compelled thereto by an Expensive and Legal Course Provided she be Enabled by an Act of assembly of this Province to make Sale of the aforesaid Two Tracts or Parcells of Land, the one being Part of the said Tract of Land called Bessenton and the Other Tract or Parcell of Land called the Obligation (which he the said Samuel Chambers died possessed of) or such Parts of the said Tracts or Parcel of Land as to her the said Ann Chambers should seem Convenient to be sold to be applied to