

give bond to the state of Maryland, for the faithful performance of the duties that are herein, or may from time to time, by any future provisions, be required; and that said bond shall be under the penalty of two hundred thousand dollars, and with such security as the governor and council for the time being, shall approve, which bond shall be deposited with the treasurer of the western shore.

CHAPTER 284.

AN ACT to permit Guardians, Executors, and Trustees, to bring Slaves into this State, from any adjoining State or District, to Hire and Work, and not for Sale.

See 1796, ch. 67, ante page 334.

Guardians,
executors
and trustees
authorized
to bring in
slaves.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That from and after the passage of this act, all guardians, executors, and trustees, heretofore or hereafter appointed, or any one of them, residing in this state, appointed by last will and testament, or otherwise, in this state, or any adjoining state or district, are hereby authorized and permitted to bring into this state, from any adjoining state or district, any slave or slaves, being slaves for life, confided to them in trust, and the same to hire out and work, from time to time, for the benefit of the persons connected with the trust, and not for sale, and the same to remove back to any adjoining state or district, at discretion, and back again to this state, from any adjoining state or district; *Provided,* that a list of such slaves shall be made out by said guardian, executors, or trustees, or any one of them, within thirty days after their removal, and recorded in the clerk's office in the county to which said slaves may be, at any time, removed under this act.

Purpose
only

List and
record
required.

Freedom
barred.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That no slave or slaves, brought into this state, under, and by virtue of this act, shall be entitled to freedom thereby, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAPTER 286.

A SUPPLEMENT to the ACT, entitled an Act for the speedy trial of Criminals, and ascertaining their punishment, in the County Courts, when prosecuted there, and for the Payment of Fees due from Criminal Persons, passed at April session, seventeen hundred and fifteen, chapter twenty-six.

Repeal.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the eighth section of the act, to which this is a supplement, be, and the same is hereby repealed, as to all persons charged with criminal offences, who shall be acquitted, or be discharged from prosecution, or who shall be admitted to and give bail upon such charges.