

ARTICLE LXXIX.

Releases and Receipts.

SEC. 1. Any release or receipt executed to any executor, administrator, or guardian, by any person authorized to execute the same, (and any female over eighteen years of age is hereby authorized to execute the same,) which shall be acknowledged and certified as hereinafter directed, may be recorded in the office of the Register of Wills of the county where letters testamentary or of administration were granted, or where the guardian was appointed or gave bond; and a copy of the record, under seal of such release or receipt, shall be evidence of such release or receipt.

2. The releases and receipts mentioned in the preceding section, may be acknowledged in this State before a justice of the peace; and if acknowledged before a justice of the peace of any other county or city than that in which it is to be recorded, there shall be a certificate of the clerk of the Circuit Court of the county, or the Superior Court of Baltimore city, under the seal of the court, that the person before whom the acknowledgment was taken, was at the time of the acknowledgment a justice of the peace; or before the Mayor of a corporation; and if so, the fact of his being Mayor shall be certified under the seal of the corporation; or before a notary; and if so, the fact of his being a notary shall be certified under his notarial seal; or before a judge of the Orphans' Court; and if before a judge of the Orphans' Court of any other county than that in which it is to be recorded, there shall be a certificate of the Register of Wills of his county, under the seal of his office, that at the time of the acknowledgment he was a judge of the Orphans' Court; or before a judge of the Circuit Court; and if before a judge of any other judicial circuit than that in which the county in which it is to be recorded is situated, there shall be a certificate from the clerk of the Circuit Court for the county in which it is acknowledged, that he was a judge of the Circuit Court for that county at the time of the acknowledgment; or before a Register of Wills; and if before a Register of Wills of any other county than that in which it is to be recorded, there shall be a certificate of the Chief Judge of the Orphans'