

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That all deeds heretofore made, or hereafter to be made, which have been or shall be executed and acknowledged by any feme covert, in the manner pointed out in the third section of the said act of December session, eighteen hundred and thirty, before any Governor, chief magistrate, judge, court of justice, mayor, commissioners, or other tribunal, or person or persons, who by any law of this state in force at the time of passing the said act, or by the first or second sections of the said act, was or were authorised and empowered to take the acknowledgement of such feme covert, or of her husband, to such deed, shall be as valid and effectual, as if the same had been executed and acknowledged before any of the judges or justices mentioned in the third or fourth sections of the said act; *Provided*, that all the other provisions of the said act shall have been complied with, except that the acknowledgement of the feme covert, may be either in the form set out in that allowed by the fourth section of the act of eighteen hundred and seven, chapter fifty-two.

Deeds in certain cases confirmed.

Proviso.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That all deeds heretofore made, or hereafter to be made, which have been or shall be acknowledged by any feme covert, in the form pointed out and allowed in the fourth section of an act, entitled, An act for quieting possessions, and securing and confirming the estates of purchasers, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and seven, chapter fifty-two; shall be good and effectual, any law to the contrary notwithstanding; *Provided*, that in all other respects, the said deeds shall have been executed and acknowledged, and recorded, agreeably to law, except so far as the same may be dispensed with by a former section of this act.

Acknowledgments of feme coverts according to act of 1807, ch. 52, confirmed.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That all writing obligatory, or contracts for conveyances of lands or tenements, or of any interest or estate of, in, or relating to, lands or tenements, or hereditaments, and all writings obligatory or contracts for the leasing and demising, for any term of years, of lands or tenements may, if executed and acknowledged in manner as is directed by the acts of assembly made and provided in case of conveyances of lands, and as if such writings obligatory or contracts, were conveyances as aforesaid, be recorded among the land-records of the county where such lands or tenements, or hereditaments shall lie, and a certified copy of the seal of the county court of said county, of such record, shall be received as evidence, as fully and to the same effect, of such writing obligatory or contract, as a like copy of the record of any such conveyance, executed

Obligation to convey estate, to be recorded.