fact that the person before whom such acknowledgment was made was at the time a justice of the peace. If acknowledged before an alderman, there shall be a certificate from the mayor under the seal of the corporation, or from a notary public under his notarial seal that he was an alderman at the time of such acknowledgment. If acknowledged before a consul-general, consul or vice-consul, there shall be a certificate of the fact that he is such officer under his seal.

1904, art. 79, sec. 4. 1888, art. 79, sec. 4. 1860, art. 79, sec. 4. 1825, ch. 160, secs. 1, 2. 1831, ch. 305, secs. 1, 2.

4. Any release or receipt mentioned in the two preceding sections may be executed in virtue of a power of attorney for that purpose; provided, such power of attorney, if executed within this State, shall be acknowledged and certified as if it were a release, and if executed out of the State, shall be acknowledged and certified in the same manner as releases or receipts are required to be by the preceding section; and any female over eighteen years of age may execute such power of attorney.

Cited but not construed in Greenwood v. Greenwood, 28 Md. 385. See art. 10, sec. 28, et seq.

Ibid. sec. 5. 1888, art. 79, sec. 5. 1860, art. 79, sec. 5. 1831, ch. 305, sec. 7.

5. Such power of attorney shall be recorded in the office of the register of wills of the county in which the administration was granted, or in which the guardian was appointed or gave bond, and any release or receipt executed and acknowledged in virtue of such power before the register of wills, or a justice of the peace of the county where the power of attorney is required to be recorded, may be recorded with such power of attorney, and a copy, under seal, of such release or receipt and power of attorney shall be evidence thereof.

Ibid. sec. 6. 1888, art. 79, sec. 6. 1860, art. 79, sec. 6. 1831, ch. 305, sec. 7.

6. Any release, receipt or power of attorney authorized to be recorded in the preceding sections shall remain and be retained and preserved in the office of the register of wills and shall not be delivered to any person.

Ibid. sec. 7. 1888, art. 79, sec. 7. 1860, art. 79, sec. 7. 1816, ch. 134, sec. 1. 1882, ch. 15.

7. All receipts, releases and final discharges from persons residing in this State authorized to execute the same to any trustee appointed by any court of equity, by deed or by will, (and any female over the age of eighteen years is hereby authorized to execute the same for the proceeds of the sale of real estate or leasehold property,) acknowledged before any officer authorized to take the acknowledgment of deeds of real estate may be recorded, and the clerk of the court by which said trustee was appointed or in which the deed was recorded or trust executed, or the