

erty belonging to his ward, to be delivered to the guardian immediately, or at such time as shall appear reasonable; in case of a legacy or bequest, the court shall direct the delivery as soon as it shall appear that the same may be delivered without prejudice to the person administering, and in the case of a distributive share, the court shall direct the delivery as soon as the same shall be ascertained; and on failure of any former guardian appointed by the court, or of an administrator, to comply with such order, his bond may be put in suit, and he may also be attached for contempt, and fined not exceeding three hundred dollars.

When court to order delivery of property to guardian  
6 Gill 161, 193, 285, 8 Gill, 391, 31 Md 34, 44 Md 492.

Former guardian, etc., failing to deliver property, how compelled

22. Every guardian appointed by the court having care of real estate shall, within three months after executing his bond, procure the said estate to be viewed and reported on by two skilful, discreet persons, not related to either party, and appointed by the Orphans' Court, which two persons, before they proceed to act, shall swear before some judge or justice that they will appraise the same without favor or prejudice, and to the best of their skill and judgment; and it shall be the duty of the appraisers to examine the estate and estimate the annual value thereof, including working beasts and stock and utensils thereon belonging to the ward and proper to be leased with the land; they shall likewise set down in writing what dwelling-houses, out-houses, orchards, gardens, meadows, inclosures, and other improvements are on the land, and the condition thereof, and what proportion of the said land is in their estimation in woods; and they shall make a certificate, under their hands and seals, of the whole they have done, to which shall be annexed a certificate of their appointment and of their having taken the oath aforesaid, and the same shall be returned by the guardian to the Orphans' Court within three months as aforesaid; and the same shall be evidence against him, in case of any suit for misconduct brought against him.

Id s 159  
1798, c 101,  
sub-c 12, s 6  
Appraisement where real estate

Duty of appraisers

Appraisement evidence against guardian

23. No guardian shall commit waste on the land, but the court may, on his application, allow him to cut down and sell wood, and account for the same, in case it shall deem the same advantageous or necessary for the ward's education and maintenance.

Id s 160  
1798, c 101,  
sub-c 12, s 7  
When guardian may cut timber.

24. And each guardian having real estate under his care shall either cultivate the same, with the stock and utensils belonging to his ward, or to be purchased with his money, with the approbation of the court, or he shall lease the same from year to year, or for any term not exceeding three years, and within the non-age of his ward; or he may, with the court's approbation, undertake the estate on his own account, and be answerable for the annual value, to be every third year ascertained under the direction of the court.

Id s 161  
1798, c 101,  
sub-c 12, s 8  
Where real estate guardian may cultivate or lease  
May undertake, estate on his own account.

25. They shall order a guardian who has received from any trustee of a court of equity any proceeds of real estate of his ward, sold by such trustee, to invest the same in mortgages on unincumbered real estate, worth at least double the amount loaned, or such public stocks or permanent funds as will at least net six per centum per annum; and the surplus interest of such investment, after what

1872, c 403.  
Proceeds of sales of real estate received by guardian from trustee, how to be invested