

Id s 37
1839, c 35, s 2,
1844, c 247
Transfer of
apprentice

37. The master of any negro apprentice, or the executor or assignee of such master, may, with the assent of the Orphans' Court, to be entered on the minutes, assign and transfer such apprentice to any other person residing in the same county.

Id s 38
1839, c 35, s 6
Negro apprentice to go to widow, or executor, if no widow

38. Upon the death of the master, or his assignee, of any negro apprentice, the property and interest of the master or assignee shall pass to the widow, if there be a widow, of such deceased master or assignee, and if no widow, then to the executor of said master or assignee.

Id s 39
1839, c 35, s 3
Penalty for enticing away

39. If any negro or other person shall entice or persuade any negro apprentice to run away or abscond from the service of the master or person entitled to his or her service, such negro or other person so offending shall, upon conviction in the Circuit Court of the county or the Criminal Court of Baltimore, be subject to fine and imprisonment as for a misdemeanor, or at the discretion of the court, be confined in the Penitentiary house of this State for not more than four years nor less than eighteen months.

Id s 40
1839, c 35, s 4
Orphans' Court may extend time of negro absconding

40. If any negro apprentice abscond or run away, the Orphans' Court of the county where he may have been bound shall have full power to adjudge and order such apprentice to serve such further time after the expiration of the period for which such apprentice may be bound, as will compensate the master or person entitled to the service for all loss occasioned by such running away, including expenses of recaption; and the said court shall have full power to authorize the master of such absconding apprentice to sell such apprentice, and for the whole period he may have to serve, to any person within this State; *provided*, the said court shall be satisfied that such apprentice was not induced to run away by the ill treatment or fraud, or contrivance of the master.

Ill treatment, etc., by master