

inbefore prescribed to the party and his security, he may enter the same short on his docket or on the judgment, in this form or to this effect, "superseded by A. B. and C. D. (as the case may be) this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ months," which shall be as valid as if the confession had been written out at length in the form hereinbefore given.

1825, c 223,  
1837, c 224, s 2  
Entry on docket  
or judgment  
sufficient  
2 Md 320  
4 Gill 48

**51.** Every security in a supersedeas of a judgment rendered by a justice of the peace, shall sign the same; or if he cannot write, make his mark; and no such supersedeas shall be valid against any security unless his signature or mark shall have been affixed thereto and attested by the justice.

Id s 54  
1843, c 321  
Security to sign  
supersedeas.

**52.** An execution may be issued by a justice of the peace previous to the supersedeas of the judgment, but the constable or sheriff shall not proceed on said execution if a certificate that the judgment has been superseded be shown to him, the defendant paying the costs of execution.

Id s 55  
1792, c 74  
Supersedeas to  
stay execution  
issued

**53.** No execution or *scire facias* shall issue against the securities on any supersedeas taken on a judgment rendered by a justice of the peace, after the expiration of four years from the date of said supersedeas, and after the lapse of the said four years such securities shall be discharged.

Id s 56  
1835, c 201, s 12  
After lapse of  
what time se-  
curities dis-  
charged

**54.** A confession of judgment by way of supersedeas of a judgment or decree in a court of record shall be a lien on the lands of the persons therein named, from the time such supersedeas is filed with the clerk of the court, in the same manner as judgments rendered in any court of law.

Id s 57  
1826, c 194, s 3  
Supersedeas of  
judgment or  
decree in a  
court of record  
a lien on lands

**55.** The confession of a judgment by way of supersedeas shall not defeat the lien of the original judgment.

Id s 58  
1826, c 194, s 4.  
Original judg-  
ment.

#### DOCKETS.

**56.** Each justice of the peace shall keep a docket, and therein record and make regular entries of his proceedings in all cases in which he shall act in virtue of his office; and he shall furnish the plaintiff and defendant respectively with a copy of any judgment by him given when required.

Art 51, s 6  
1809, c 76, s 4  
Justice to keep  
docket and  
make regular  
entries of his  
proceedings  
To furnish copy  
of judgment.

**57.** If any justice shall omit to keep a docket, so that by such neglect or omission the plaintiff (having obtained a judgment before such justice) shall lose his debt, the justice shall satisfy to the said plaintiff the debt, interest, and costs so lost.

Id s. 7  
1809, c 76, s 5.  
Liability for  
omission

**58.** Each justice shall also keep a full alphabet or index to his docket, under a penalty of two dollars, to be recovered on presentment by the grand jury, one-half to the informer and the other half to the use of the county.

Id s 8.  
1845, c 222, s. 2.  
To keep full  
index to docket.  
Penalty.

**59.** Whenever a justice of the peace shall vacate his office by resignation, removal from office, or the expiration of his official term, he shall deliver his docket, together with all the notes, bonds, accounts, and papers in his possession, appertaining to judgments,

Const art 4,  
s 2B.  
1864, c 179,  
1870, c 39  
Justices on  
vacating office  
to deliver