

sistence or greatly straitened in circumstances, and that it probably will not require more than one-half of the assets to discharge the debts, the court may direct the administrator to deliver to the petitioner any part of what the court shall suppose will be his distributive share, or any part of a legacy or bequest in money not exceeding one-third part, the said petitioner giving bond, with security approved by the court, to the administrator, for returning the same or an equivalent, with interest, whenever so directed by the court, and the court shall have power to determine in a summary way on any such petition, after summons against such administrator duly returned summoned or returned *non est*.

*Lowe v. Lowe*, 6 Md. 347. *Donaldson's Exrs. v. Raborg's Admx.*, 26 Md. 312. *Ibid.*, 28 Md. 34. *Hoffman v. Hoffman*, 88 Md. 62.

1888, art. 93, sec. 141. 1860, art. 93, sec. 141. 1798, ch. 101, sub-ch. 10, sec. 8.

**140.** The court in like manner, on any petition by a person in such circumstances, to whom a specific legacy or bequest has been made, being satisfied that the assets, exclusive of all specific legacies, will not be nearly exhausted by debts, may direct the executor or administrator with the will annexed, to deliver to the petitioner the said specific legacy or bequest on his giving bond as aforesaid.

*Lowe v. Lowe*, 6 Md. 347. *Donaldson's Exrs. v. Raborg's Admx.*, 26 Md. 312. *Ibid.*, 28 Md. 34. *Hoffman v. Hoffman*, 88 Md. 62.

*Ibid.* sec. 142. 1860, art. 93, sec. 142. 1847, ch. 71.

**141.** Where a bequest of personal property or money is made to a female, and directed by the will to be paid on her attaining to full, mature or lawful age, such female shall be entitled to receive and demand such personal property or money on her arriving at the age of eighteen years, or being married.

*Carpenter v. Boulden*, 48 Md. 122. *Hoffman v. Hoffman*, 88 Md. 62.

*Ibid.* sec. 143. 1860, art. 93, sec. 143. 1798, ch. 101, sub-ch. 14, sec. 12. 1896, ch. 255.

**142.** Any administrator or executor shall be entitled to appoint a meeting of persons entitled to distributive shares or legacies, or a residue of a decedent's estate, on some day by the orphans' court named and appointed, on petition, and distribution or payment may be then and there made under the court's direction and control, subject, however, to such adjournments from time to time as the court shall deem proper to order; and where the parties in interest are known and reside