

public office therein free of charge, any or all such records as may be required for said purposes; ninth, to make insurance for the fidelity of persons holding places of responsibility or trust, and for the faithful performance of every contract entered into with any person or corporation, and to execute such bonds, recognizances or instruments of writing, as may be required by law in such cases, and to become security in any case to the extent of its paid up capital stock and surplus and guarantee fund where by law one or more securities may be required for the faithful performance of any trust, office or duty; tenth, to become security for the payment of all damages that may be assessed and directed to be paid, for bonds and other property taken by any corporation public, *quasi* public, or municipal, which may by law be authorized to condemn or take the same; eleventh, to become security upon any writ of error or appeal in any proceedings instituted in any court of this State, or of the United States, or before any magistrate thereof, and to supersede any judgment, decree or order for the payment of money obtained in any such court, or before such magistrate, and in any and every case whereby this act said corporation is authorized to become security or superseder, any court or officer whose duty it is to approve such security or superseder, is hereby authorized to accept said corporation as such security or superseder, to the extent of its said paid up capital stock and guarantee fund, any law, regulation or practice requiring two or more securities or superseders in such cases, to the contrary notwithstanding, and in every such case the capital stock, property and effects of said corporation shall be treated as sufficient security for the responsibility hereby assumed to the extent of its said capital stock and guarantee fund, and it shall be lawful for the said corporation in all such cases to stipulate and provide for indemnity from the parties for whom it becomes responsible as security or superseder, and to enforce any contract or agreement made or given for that purpose.

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SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful for any court of this State, or elsewhere, to appoint this corporation, with its consent, to execute any trust it may require to be executed, and the accounts of said corporation in the execution of said trusts shall be regularly settled and adjusted before said court, wherein said corporation shall be allowed all such proper legal charges, costs and expenses as are or may be allowed natural person in such cases, and in all proceedings in any court, or elsewhere connected with any authority exercised under this act, all accounts or other papers may be signed and sworn to on behalf of said corporation, by any officer thereof, and the said corporation may plead or answer in any court of law or equity in this State, by attorney, and without its seal, and the answer and examination under oath of such officer shall be received as the