

ers to preserve order, punish contempts and enforce obedience to the proper order and adjudications of the said commissioner, as are now possessed by any court of record of this State.

Duty to keep a docket.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the commissioner of the land office to keep a docket, in the form of the docket of the chancery court, of all disputed cases, effecting the title to lands, transcripts of which shall be evidence of the proceedings thereon, and that all papers filed in such cases shall, with the proceedings and adjudications and order of the commissioner of the land office be duly recorded, and subject to the payment of such fees not enumerated in the fee bill of the land office, as have been heretofore charged in the chancery court for like proceedings.

Process relating to proceedings.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the process relating to proceedings in the land office, shall hereafter issue under the seal of the land office of Maryland, attested by the commissioner of the land office.

Right of appeal.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That any parties aggrieved by any judgment, final order or determination in any case effecting the title to lands, shall have full power and right to appeal from such judgment, order or determination, to the court of appeals; *Provided*, that such appeal shall be made within nine months from the date of such judgment, order or determination, the party appealing filing at the time of such appeal, his reasons for such appeal; *And provided, further*, that no such appeal shall stay proceedings, unless bond and security be given in the manner now practised in the chancery court.

Provisoes.

Monies to be paid commissioner.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That all monies now required to be paid to the Treasurer, on account of the public lands, be hereafter paid to the commissioner of the land office, whose receipts therefor shall be a good acquittance to the parties paying the same; and that the commissioners of the land office shall keep an entry of all such payments in a proper book kept for the purpose; and that he account monthly with the Comptroller, and pay over to the Treasurer, on oath, all such monies so received, first deducting therefrom twenty-five per centum as a compensation for his trouble; the said commissioner first giving bond in the penalty of two thousand dollars for the faithful performance of this duty, to be approved by the Governor and kept in the State Department.

To keep an entry of all monies paid.

To account to Comptroller.

Bond.

To record case of Ellicott vs. Gelston.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioner of the land office shall record the case of Andrew and William H. Ellicott against Hugh Gelston and others