

SEC. 2. If any person residing in this State shall desire to change his or her name, such person may file in the Circuit Court of the county of his or her residence, or in the Circuit Court of Baltimore city, if such person resides in the city of Baltimore, a petition in which shall be stated the changes which such person desires shall be made in his or her name, and the reason therefor, and thereupon the said Court, upon being satisfied in such manner as it shall by its rules prescribe, that the prayer of the said petition should be granted, shall order and decree that the name of such person be changed as is prayed in said petition, and upon the passage of such decree the true and legal name of such person shall be that determined by the said decree, and a copy of the said decree under the seal of said Court, shall be sufficient and legal evidence of the facts therein stated; the petition provided for in this section may be filed on behalf of any infant residing in this State by the father, or in case the father is a non-resident of this State, by the mother of such infant, or in the case of the death of the father and mother of said infant, by the guardian of such infant; the costs of the proceedings provided for in this section shall be regulated by the said Court and shall be paid by the petitioner.

Change of name

Effective.

SEC. 3. *Be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7, 1886.

CHAPTER 309.

AN ACT to amend the charter of the Granger's Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Frederick county.

Charter.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the