

CHAP. 203 were, and had always been a *feme sole*, and to hold, use and enjoy the same for her own use and benefit, and the same to dispose of according to her will and pleasure, without the let, hindrance, molestation, interference or consent of her husband, Charles Ferdinand Hartman, in as full and ample manner as if she were and always had been a *feme sole*, and may in her own name sue and be sued at law and in equity.

Her name changed SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the name of Rebecca Hartman is hereby changed and altered unto the name of Rebecca Roach, and she shall at all times hereafter be called and known by, and hold and use the name of Roach only, and by such name shall sue and be sued in any court of law or equity.

Her acts confirmed SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That all securities, promises, contracts, assurances, deeds and lawful acts whatsoever, hereafter to be made and done by and to the said Rebecca Hartman, by the name of Rebecca Roach, shall be of the same force, validity and effect, and of equal avail, to all intents and purposes, as if the name of Rebecca Roach had been the true and proper name of the said Rebecca Hartman from her birth, any law or custom to the contrary notwithstanding: *Provided*, That nothing in this act contained shall affect the rights of third persons acquired previous to the passage of this act.

CHAPTER 204.

Passed March 15,
1828.

An act for the relief of the securities of Francis Gillespie.

Authority to collect dues

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the securities of Francis Gillespie, late sheriff of Cecil county, for the years eighteen hundred and twenty one, eighteen hundred and twenty two, eighteen hundred and twenty three and eighteen hundred and twenty four, be, and the same are hereby authorised and empowered to collect all fees and public dues which were placed, during the years for which they were respectively the securities of said Gillespie, in the hands of said Gillespie for collection, and which have not been collected by him, or to place the same in the hands of the present sheriff of Cecil county for collection.

Sheriff authorised and required to collect and account for

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the present sheriff of Cecil county be and he is hereby empowered and required to collect all such fees and public dues thus placed in his hands for collection, in the manner prescribed by law for the collection of other fees and public dues placed in his hands for collection; and that the said sheriff, within ten months after said fees and dues shall have been thus placed in his hands, shall account as for other fees and public dues, to the said securities of said Francis Gillespie respectively, for all such fees and public dues which were placed in the hands of the said Gillespie during the year for which they were his sureties.