

for the purposes for which they were intended, and said papers, from the confused condition in which they are now in, from the year 1851 to November 30, 1904, inclusive, are inconvenient, and that they are the cause of great loss of time and expense; and whereas, the said indexes and docketts, although they have been frequently repaired and rebound, have, in consequence of the constant use to which they have been subjected, undergone deterioration to such an extent that it is impracticable any longer to preserve them in a sound condition, wherefore it is necessary that they should be transcribed and the papers chronologically arranged and filed according to their respective dates, from the year 1851 to November 30, 1904, inclusive,

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Preamble.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the register of wills for Baltimore county be and he is hereby authorized and required to make or have made transcripts of the indexes and docketts in his office, and have properly arranged and filed in chronological order all papers in his office from the year 1851 to November 30, 1904, inclusive.

Transcript of indexes and docketts to be made.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the expense incurred by the making of said transcripts and the arrangement and filing of said papers shall be paid out of the surplus revenue of the said office of register of wills for Baltimore county; and in case the surplus revenue of said office of register of wills of Baltimore county shall not be sufficient to pay for said work, then in that event the board of County Commissioners of Baltimore county shall pay to said register of wills for Baltimore county, out of the contingent fund of said county such an amount as may be necessary for that purpose, not exceeding one thousand dollars.

How expense shall be met.

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

Approved April 3, 1906.

### CHAPTER 733.

AN ACT to repeal Chapter 411 of the Acts of 1898, which repealed Section 181 of Article 1 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Allegany County," sub-title "Justices of the Peace and Constables," and to re-enact the same with amendments.