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unknown to him or it who may be interested in said property or whose rights would be affected by said distribution or delivery, and as near as practicable who such persons may be supposed to be. And it shall be the duty of the said court to examine said bill or petition, and any papers filed therewith, and upon being satisfied that sufficient effort has been made by such fiduciary to ascertain whether there are such unknown persons shall pass an order directing the said fiduciary to give notice by publication to such supposed unknown persons, whether they be residents or non-residents of this State, of the substance and object of said bill or petition, and warning them to appear by a day therein stated, which shall not be less than ninety days after the passage of said order, and said notice shall be published for such length of time as the court may direct, in some newspaper, as in cases of notice by publication to non-residents. The defendants named in said bill or petition shall be summoned, or if they be non-residents of this State, shall be duly notified by publication as in other cases in equity. And after the expiration of said period fixed in said order for the appearance of said unknown persons, the court shall proceed as in other suits in equity, and shall, by its decree, direct to whom the said fiduciary shall make distribution or delivery of said property, and if, in the opinion of the said court, it shall be doubtful whether or not there are unknown persons who are entitled to a share or shares of said property, it may in its discretion require the persons to whom it shall direct the distribution or delivery thereof to be made to file a bond or bonds to the State of Maryland in such penalty as it shall prescribe, with the clerk of the said court, conditioned to make restitution to such unknown person or persons of his, her or their shares of said property, when his, her or their rights thereto shall be established; or the said court may require said fiduciary to hold or transfer and deliver to a trustee or receiver to be appointed by it the share or shares to which such unknown person or persons would be entitled if in existence to be held, and the income thereof accumulated for such time as the said court may direct, in order to afford full opportunity for such unknown person or persons to appear and assert their rights, and may order the delivery or distribution thereof whenever said unknown persons shall appear and establish their