

rights thereto, or when it shall be convinced that there are no unknown persons entitled to any share of said property ; and the said court may defer the passage of the said decree from time to time if it shall deem it necessary in cases of doubt as to the existence of persons who may be entitled, but the discretion of the said court as to requiring bond and deferring the passage of said decree and withholding and accumulating shares shall be subject to review by the Court of Appeals ; and any fiduciary making distribution or delivery of any property in obedience to such decree or order shall be protected from any claim in respect thereof by such unknown person or persons, his, her or their heirs, personal representatives or assigns.

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Subject to
review by
Court of
Appeals.

Section 200 B. *And be it further enacted*, That whenever any fiduciary shall have property to distribute or deliver, and there shall be persons entitled to shares thereof, or whose rights therein will be affected by such distribution or delivery, and such persons shall be known to such fiduciary to be in existence, but it shall not be known to said fiduciary whether said persons are residents of this State or not, or if residents of this State where they may be served with the process of the court, they may, by special leave of the court upon good cause shown, be proceeded against as non-residents ; and if their names be not known to such fiduciary, they may be described as nearly as practicable.

Proceeded
against as
non-
residents.

Section 200 c. *And be it further enacted*, That the said court may assign counsel to protect the interest of such supposed unknown person or persons known to exist whose names or places of residence are unknown, and that the fees of such counsel shall be fixed by the court, and be paid out of said property or such part thereof as the court shall determine ought to bear the same.

May assign
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unknown
person.

Section 200 D. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act and the three preceding sections thereof shall not be interpreted as a repeal of construction of existing law, or of the jurisdiction and powers of courts of equity, and that the remedy hereby provided is intended to be additional to and not in substitution for any other existing remedy.

How to be
interpreted.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 3, 1906.