

istrator duly constituted and appointed as such by the law of the state, district, territory, or country wherein he may have resided at the time of his death, in the same manner as if the said executor or administrator had been duly constituted and appointed as such by the proper authority in this state.

Sections add'd

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the three following sections be and the same are hereby added to the said article, one to come in after section two hundred and fifty-four and the other two to come in after section three hundred and five.

Power of orphans' court.

254A. The orphans' court shall have power, *ex officio*, to order any executor, administrator or guardian, who appears, by the records of said courts, or of the register of wills, to be in default in respect to the rendering of any inventory, the returning of any report, statement, return of any kind, or to the fulfilment of any duty in said courts, to be summoned to appear before the court on some certain day to be named in the summons, and fulfil his duty, on pain of revocation of his letters testamentary, or of administration, or guardianship, it shall be the duty of the registers of wills, from time to time, to inform the orphans' courts of such default so appearing; upon such order a letter shall be addressed by the register of wills, and be sent by him, by mail, to the person so appearing by him to be in default, at his post-office, or place of address, informing him of such order; and for the sending of such letter the register shall receive twenty-five cents from such person, if, on appearing, he is found to be in default; if the person, so appearing to be in default, does not appear in court in answer to the letter, the court may order him to be summoned by the sheriff, and, on his appearing, may pass such order as may be just in the premises, and, upon his not appearing, after having been duly summoned the court may revoke his letters testamentary, or of administration, or guardianship; upon any such revocation, the court may, at its discretion, order that the parties interested, or any one or more of them may be summoned to appear, and may make such order or appointment as the laws

Failure to appear.