

CHAPTER 96.

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 16, title "Chancery," sub-title "Non-Residents," of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, 1904, to be inserted after Section 124, Article 16, and to be known as Section 124A.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a new section be added to Article 16 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, 1904, to be inserted after Section 124, Article 16, and to be known as Section 124A, and to read as follows:

SEC. 124A. In all cases where a bill in chancery may be filed for the sale, lease, mortgage or other disposition of land or to affect any funds which would descend as real estate, and the owner of the whole or of any part thereof or of any interest therein, whether resident or non-resident, is dead, and it is not known to the complainant or complainants in said bill whether or not said deceased person or persons left any heirs, or, if there are such heirs, who they are or whether they be residents of this State, or non-residents, the said heirs may in such bill of complaint be described as the unknown heirs of such deceased person or persons, and the said bill of complaint shall pray that they be proceeded against as non-residents. In all such cases the order of publication shall issue as of course, in the manner now, or which may be hereafter prescribed by law, for the issuance of the order of publication against non-residents, and shall be published and the publication thereof proved as in cases of order of publication against non-residents. When such order of publication shall have been issued and published as aforesaid, all persons who may be the heirs at law of such deceased person or persons, whether they be residents or non-residents, shall be bound by the decree which may be passed by the Court in said case, and all the right, title and interest in said land, or in said fund, owned by said decedent shall pass and be divested in the decree that may be passed in said cause.

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

Approved March 18, 1908.

CHAPTER 242.

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 16 of the Code of 1904 of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Chancery," sub-title "Partition," to be known as Section 129A.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new section be and hereby is added to Article 16