

ty, deceased, that James S. Nelson, by the name of Stewart Nelson, was one of the Commissioners appointed for that purpose, who duly qualified as such, and that he signed the report made by said Commissioners by the name of James S. Nelson, only two others of the said Commissioners signing said report; and that the said James S. Nelson was also appointed by the said court special guardian to defend for the infants; *and whereas*, it also appears that the report of the said Commissioners, of their valuation of said real estate was never finally ratified and confirmed, although an agreement signed by all the parties interested, including the infants by their guardian aforesaid, was filed in the case, that it should be confirmed without lying the usual term for objections; and although an order of sale was passed by the said Court, and a sale was actually made by the said Commissioners to the said John T. P. Moore, and reported to the said court, and finally ratified and confirmed; *and whereas*, it is apprehended that the title of the purchaser may be invalid because the report of the said Commissioners was signed by a bare majority, one of whom was the said James S. Nelson, named in the Commission "Stewart Nelson," and who was also guardian *ad litem* of the infants in said case, and because the report of the Commissioners aforesaid was not finally ratified and confirmed before the order of sale was passed therein; Therefore,

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SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the proceedings in the Circuit Court for Worcester county, upon the petition of Francis Hickman for a Commission to value and divide the real estate of John Hickman, late of said county, deceased, be ratified and confirmed, and the title of John T. P. Moore, the purchaser of said real estate under said proceedings, be and the same is hereby made as valid to all intents and purposes as if the said James S. Nelson had been so named in the Commission aforesaid, instead of being named Stewart Nelson, and as if the said James S. Nelson had not been appointed special guardian to the infants in said cause, and as if the report and valuation of the said Commissioners had been finally ratified and confirmed before the order of sale was passed; *provided*, that the whole of the

Proviso.