

cate of counsel, or amend his pleas, affidavit and certificate of counsel already filed, within not exceeding ten days thereafter, whenever the court shall be of the opinion that the interests of justice will be promoted by striking out such judgment and so reinstating such case, although sufficient grounds for striking out such judgment for fraud, deceit, irregularity or such other grounds as would have sufficed before the enactment of this section may not be present; provided, however, that the court granting such order may require as a condition thereto, that the defendant give bond with approved security for the payment of any judgment finally recovered against him in such case in such penalty as may be prescribed by the court, and that the defendant pay the costs so far incurred in said case, or any other conditions which the court may deem proper; and if any defendant who has been given leave to file pleas, affidavit or certificate, or to amend those already filed, under this section, shall fail to file a sufficient plea, affidavit or certificate of counsel, or to amend those already filed so as to be sufficient within the time so limited, then the plaintiff shall be entitled to final entry of judgment on motion therefor, in the same manner as for failure to file a sufficient plea, affidavit or certificate within the time originally limited under the preceding sections.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall go into effect on September 1st, 1914.

Approved March 18th, 1914.

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## CHAPTER 108.

AN ACT to abolish the distinction between sealed and unsealed instruments or writings as to the parties capable of suing and liable to suit thereon in actions at law, by adding a new Section to Article 75 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Pleadings, Practice and Process at Law," said new Section to be known as Section 11-A.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new Section be and the same is hereby added to Article 75 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Pleadings, Practice and Process at Law," said new Section to be known as Section 11-A and to read as follows:

SEC. 11-A. In suits brought upon any instrument or writing under seal executed on and after June 1, 1914, any person en-