

tion), title "Licenses," sub-title "Motor Vehicles," said new section to be known as Section 190A, to follow immediately after Section 190 of said Article, and to read as follows:

190A. The acceptance by a non-resident individual, firm or corporation of the rights and privileges of using the roads and highways of Maryland, which rights and privileges are conferred by Section 190 or any other law, as evidenced by his, their or its operation of a motor vehicle on any of the public highways within the limits of this State, shall be deemed equivalent to an appointment by such non-resident individual, firm or corporation of the Secretary of State, or his successor in office, to be his, their or its true and lawful attorney upon whom may be served all lawful processes in any action or proceeding instituted, filed or pending against him, them or it, growing out of any accident or collision in which said non-resident may be involved, while operating or causing to be operated, a motor vehicle on such public highway and said acceptance of the rights and privileges of using said highways or the operation of said motor vehicle by said non-resident individual, firm or corporation within this State, shall be a signification of his, their or its agreement that any such process against him, them or it which is so served shall be of the same legal force and validity as if served on him, them or it personally. Service of such process shall be made by leaving a copy of the process with a fee of \$2.00 in the hands of the Secretary of State, or in his office, and such service shall be sufficient service upon the said non-resident individual, firm or corporation, and of full force and effect in any Court of this State; provided that notice of such service and a copy of the process shall forthwith be sent by registered mail by the plaintiff or his attorney to the defendant at his address as specified in such process; and such address shall be conclusively presumed to be correct if it be an address given by the defendant in any proceedings before any court magistrate or justice of the peace, or any police officer or deputy or any other person, at or subsequent to the collision or accident aforesaid, or if it be the latest address appearing upon the records of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or other officer charged with the administration of the motor vehicle laws of the State in which any motor vehicle is registered in the name of such defendant; and the plaintiff's or his attorney's affidavit of compliance herewith shall be filed with the Clerk of the Court in which the said proceedings are pending. The Court in