

280C. *When Receiver May be Appointed.* (1) When a person domiciled in this State and having an interest in any form of property disappears and is absent from his place of residence without being heard of after diligent inquiry, upon application for a finding of such disappearance and absence and of the necessity for the appointment of a receiver to the Circuit Court where the absentee was domiciled by any person who would have an interest in said property were said absentee deceased or by an insurer or surety or creditor of such absentee, after notice as hereinafter provided in Section 280D, and upon good cause being shown the Court may find that he was last heard of as of a date certain and may appoint a receiver to take charge of his estate. The absentee shall be made a party to said proceedings; and any other person who would have an interest in said property were said absentee deceased upon direction by the Court may be made parties to said proceeding.

(2) The receiver, upon giving bond to be fixed in amount and with surety to be approved by the Court and upon such conditions as will insure the conservation of such property, shall under the direction of said Court administer said property as an equity receivership with power (a) to take possession of all property of the absentee wherever situated, (b) to collect all debts due the absentee, (c) to bring and defend suits, (d) to pay insurance premiums and (e) with the approval of the Court in each case, to pay all debts due by the absentee, and (f) to pay over the proceeds of such part or all of said property, or the income thereof as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of the absentee's dependents; and if the personal property of said absentee be not sufficient to pay all his debts, and to provide for the maintenance and support of his dependents the receiver may apply to the Court for an order to sell or mortgage so much of the real estate as may be necessary therefor; said sale or mortgage to be reported to, approved and confirmed by the Court and said receiver to be ordered to make deed conveying or mortgaging said real property to the purchaser or lender upon his complying with the terms of sale or mortgage.

(3) Upon the filing of the application referred to in sub-section (1), the Court may for cause shown appoint a temporary receiver to take charge of the property of the absentee and conserve it pending hearing upon the application. Such temporary receiver shall qualify by giving bond in an amount and with surety to be approved by the Court and shall exercise only the powers named by the