

CHAPTER 144.

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A supplement to an act, entitled, an act to abolish Magistrates' Courts, in Calvert County, passed at December session, Eighteen hundred and thirty-eight. Passed Mar. 9, 1839.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland.* That in all cases where suits have been instituted in said courts, for the recovery of a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, if no judgment has been rendered thereon, it shall be the duty of the respective chief judges of said courts to deliver to some justice of the peace, of the district or county, all the papers and proceedings relative thereto; and in case any writ of *capias ad respondendum*, *scire facias*, *capias ad satisfaciendum*, or *feri facias*, issued by either of the said courts, for the recovery of a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, shall be in the hands of the sheriff or any constable of said county, and not returned, it shall be the duty of the said sheriff or constable, as the case may be, to return the same before some justice of the peace, of the district or county, who shall take such proceedings thereon as if the same had been originally issued by a single justice. Cases pending provided for

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the respective chief judges of said courts, and they are hereby required forthwith to return to the clerk of said county, the dockets kept by the said courts, and it shall be the duty of the said clerk, upon the application of the plaintiff, or plaintiffs, his, her, or their agent or attorney, to make out a true copy of any judgment, where the sum for which the same is rendered does not exceed fifty dollars, upon which copy any justice of the peace of said county may issue execution as is now provided by law, in case of the resignation, removal from office, or death of a justice of the peace, and it shall farther be the duty of the said clerk, upon the application of the plaintiff or plaintiffs, his, her, or their agent or attorney, to issue execution upon all judgments where the sum for which the same is rendered, exceeds fifty dollars, directed to the sheriff of said county and returnable to the next succeeding term of Calvert county court, in like manner and by Dockets to be returned
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