Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Baltimore county court, sitting as a court of Court directed equity, are hereby authorised and required to ratify and confirm the proceedings, return, and partition made and returned by the said commissioners of the real estate of the said John Murray between his heirs at law and the allotment of dower of the widow of the said John Murry, in the case now pending in the said court, wherein Sarah Murray, William Chenowith and Kiturah, his wife, Samuel Kerlinger and Eliza, his wife, John B. Chenowith and Sarah, his wife, James Benson and Susanna, his wife, Christian Abey and Diana, his wife, and Elizabeth Ann Murray, are complainants, and Thomas B. Murray, Rebecca Murray, Harriet Murray, Isabella Jane Murray, John Wesley Murray and Joshua Summerfield Murray, are defendauts; and the said court or any one of the judges thereof are hereby authorised and directed to pass a decree for the partition and confirmation aforesaid.

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CHAPTER 77.

An act to make valid a certain instrument of writing Passed Jan. 24, therein named and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Deed conferred Maryland, That the deed or instrument of writing from Richard Ringgold, of Kent county, to a certain Richard W. Ringgold, of the same county, as trustee for the benefit of the creditors of the said Richard Ringgold, and bearing date on or about the sixteenth day of September in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-six, in the certificate of acknowledgment to which said deed, the identity of the said Richard Ringgold as the grantor was omitted, be, and the same is hereby declared to be valid and effectual in law, to all intents and purposes, as if the said deed had been executed, acknowledged and certified according to law.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the judges of Kent Discharge aucounty court be, and they are hereby authorised and required to grant unto the said Richard Ringgold, upon the petition accompanying the said deed, a discharge