

CHAP. 155. Chestertown, on the following named days, that is to say, the spring term shall commence on the third Monday of April, and the fall term shall commence on the third Monday of October of each year; and that the fall term of the Circuit Court for Caroline county, shall commence at Denton, on the first Monday of October in each year.

In force.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the time of its passage.

CHAPTER 155.

Passed May 4, 1852

AN ACT to provide a speedy remedy on applications to quash Writs of Attachment, and to regulate Appeals in such cases.

Power of judge in regard to writ of attachment.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in all cases now pending, or which may hereafter be pending, in any court of this State, it shall be lawful for any absent defendant or defendants, or any one in his or their behalf, to file his or their petition before the return day of any writ of attachment, praying that the said writ may be quashed and set aside, and thereupon it shall be the duty of the judge of the court from which said writ hath issued, forthwith to rule the sheriff to make return immediately of said writ to said judge, and of his proceedings thereunder, and the said judge shall, upon such return, and after such notice as he shall prescribe to be given to the adverse party or his attorney, proceed to hear said petition, to receive evidence and adjudicate thereon, and on said writ of attachment and the property, rights, credits and monies thereby attached, in the same manner and to the same extent, to all intents and purposes, as the said judge would be empowered to do while sitting in court at the return day of said writ, upon a motion to quash and set aside said writ of attachment on the return day thereof; *Provided,* nothing herein contained shall be construed to arrest or prevent the further execution of said writ of attachment by the sheriff, until the said judge shall order the same to be quashed and set aside, or until the said writ shall expire by the return day therein limited.

Proviso.

Right of appeal.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That either party shall be at liberty to appeal from the decision of said judge,