

CHAPTER 31.

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AN ACT for the Completion of the Unfinished Business of the late County Courts of the several Counties of this State.

Passed Feb. 20, 1852.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Circuit Judges of the several judicial circuits be, and they are hereby authorised to take cognizance of, and exercise jurisdiction over all and every the causes remaining undetermined on the dockets of the County Courts of the counties comprising the said circuits respectively, sitting as Courts of Equity, at the time of the qualification of the said circuit judges respectively, and each of the said judges within his circuit, shall pass and enforce all orders which may be necessary to bring any of the said causes to a final hearing, and shall hear, try and determine according to law, the said causes, in as full and ample a manner, as if the same had been originated before the said judges respectively, since their respective qualification; *Provided, however,* that nothing herein contained shall be construed so as to confer jurisdiction on the judge of the sixth circuit over any cause or causes on the dockets of Baltimore County Court, sitting as a Court of Equity, in which the land in controversy, or any part thereof, is situate within the city of Baltimore, or in which the defendant or any one of the defendants resides in said city.

To exercise jurisdiction over cases remaining undetermined.

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SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That all writs of subpoena, injunction, and all other writs, and all commissions and other proceedings, which may have been heretofore issued, and made returnable to any of the said County Courts as Courts of Equity, in case the same may have been served or executed, may be returned; or in case the same may not have been served or executed, may be served, proceeded with, executed, and returned to the circuit judge of the proper circuit, in the same manner as if the same had been made returnable before the said circuit judge.

Writs returnable.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That each of the said circuit judges, within his respective circuit, may review, re-hear, revise, or enforce any decree or order passed heretofore by the County Court of any county within his circuit, sitting as a Court of Equity, or by any judge thereof in the same manner, and as fully as the County Court, or judge thereof, which passed such order or decree, might have done.

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