

answerable for the failure to collect any fees so placed in their hands, as aforesaid, unless the same by the use of due diligence could have been collected.

In force. SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 64.

Passed
Feb. 24, 1854.

AN ACT to provide for making an index of judgments and decrees for the circuit court of Anne Arundel county, and directing the county commissioners to levy by a tax, a sufficient sum to pay for the same.

Preamble WHEREAS, The present mode of indexing judgments and decrees, by the clerk of the circuit of Anne Arundel county, is in the name of the first named defendant on the record, and judgments superseded are not in any manner indexed against the superseders in said judgments, which is calculated to injure purchasers and disturb titles, to remedy which,

Duty of the Clerk.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the passage of this act, whenever a judgment is rendered in said court, it shall be the duty of the clerk of said court, to enter upon his index, to be kept for that purpose, the names of all the defendants against whom said judgments have been rendered.

To index names of persons superseding.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That whenever a judgment rendered in said court shall be superseded, it shall be the duty of the clerk of said court to index the names of all persons superseding the same.

Authorised to index judgments.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the clerk of said court be, and he is hereby authorised and directed, to index all judgments standing open on the docket of said court for twelve years last past, in the names of all the persons against whom said judgments have been rendered or superseded; and for doing the same, shall receive such compensation as the county commissioners for Anne Arundel county, shall deem proper and right; and said commissioners are hereby authorised and directed, to levy by a tax upon the assessable property of said county, a sum sufficient for that purpose.

Compensation.