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For selling surplus lots before appropriated. *Ibid.* § 5.

Allowance for selling. *Ibid.* § 7.

Patents to be issued to any of the settlers complying with their contracts. *Ibid.* § 6.

Bonds taken under this act to be a lien on the lands of the obligors from the date. *Ibid.* § 9.

The money arising from the sale of vacant lands to be applied to make up the deficiency of taxes in the chancery and land-offices for the payment of the chancellor's salary. November, 1792, ch. 76, § 6.

The register on the eastern shore to transmit annually, on or before the first of October, to the commissioners of the tax, lists of all grants or patents, with the names, quantity of acres, &c. 1795, ch. 61, § 7.

The several acts in force for the government of land affairs, &c. on the western shore, to be in force on the eastern shore, except where virtually altered by this act. *Ibid.* § 10.

Warrants to issue on the eastern shore for any deficiency in a grant, but not upon a grant or certificate to be issued or made before the first of March then next, until a certificate shall be obtained from the register of the western shore, that no warrant has been before issued for such deficiency, or any part thereof, nor the party under whom he claims in any manner satisfied for the same, as far as appears by the records of the said office. *Ibid.* § 11.

Parties or witnesses to be summoned to appear before the judge respecting any caveat, and their attendance to be enforced by attachment and fine. *Ibid.* § 12.

Directions for the payment of witnesses and costs. *Ibid.*

The judge, by rule, may direct depositions to be taken and read as evidence. *Ibid.*

Where a warrant is executed by a deputy surveyor, and the principal dies before the certificate is signed, the deputy may, within six months after such death, make out and sign a plot and special certificate, stating the circumstances, on affidavit, which shall be as effectual as if signed by the surveyor. *Ibid.* ch. 88, § 5.

If an amendment or correction is necessary, it shall be made by the said deputy, or such other person as the chancellor or judge on the eastern shore shall think proper. *Ibid.*

On an order for correcting a certificate, if the surveyor resigns his office, the chancellor or judge may order the correction to be made by him, which shall be as valid as if he had not resigned. *Ibid.* § 6.

Fees thereon to be allowed not exceeding those established by law. *Ibid.*

Certificates corrected under any order then made, not to be received unless passed by the examiner, if necessary, and returned before the 1st of January, 1797. *Ibid.* § 7.

Corrected certificates thereafter not to be received, unless passed by the examiner, if necessary, and returned within nine months from the date of the order. *Ibid.*

Not to extend the time within which a survey or resurvey under a warrant may be made. *Ibid.*

Where a certificate is erroneous, or the correction thereof is directed, and there is not time to enable the party to pay the money by the time required by law, on a tender thereof to the treasurer three months shall be allowed for the correction. *Ibid.* § 8.

No certificate of survey or resurvey to be liable to proclamation before the first of June then next. *Ibid.* § 9.

Where, on the return of a certificate, vacant land is included and not compounded for agreeably to law, such survey or resurvey shall be liable to be affected by proclamation warrant by any person applying. *Ibid.* § 10.

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But no proclamation warrant shall issue on any survey made, or to be made, unless one tenth part of the land contained in such survey is compounded on before the warrant issues. *Ibid.*

The person claiming the survey to have one day after the aforesaid first of June, or after the expiration of the warrant, to pay and compound thereon, and no application shall be received till after such day of pre-emption. *Ibid.*

Not to affect the right of any person who had then applied for any proclamation warrant, if taken out on or before the first of April then next. *Ibid.*

The duty of surveyors in returning certificates to express the quantity and quality of the improvements, with their opinion of their value. *Ibid.* § 11.

No exception shall hereafter be taken to any certificate of survey or resurvey, by way of caveat in the land-office, on account of improvements not being returned. *Ibid.*

Persons having surveys made on the eastern shore before the first of July, 1796, or since made under warrants granted before that time, which by law were returnable to the western shore, empowered to compound thereon on or before the first of July, 1797. 1796, ch. 6, § 2.

No such certificates liable to be affected by proclamation or other warrant before the said time. *Ibid.*

Not to affect the right of any person then acquired by any proclamation or special warrant of resurvey, or by any common warrant then located, to lands included within such certificates. *Ibid.*

Certificates on surveys, &c. aforesaid, to be received in to the land-office for the western shore on or before the first of July, 1797. *Ibid.* § 3.

The register on the western shore directed to correct the returns of the commissioners of the lands in Allegany county westward of Fort Cumberland in the particulars therein mentioned. 1797, ch. 31, § 2.

To correct the return of a particular lot on the conditions therein mentioned. *Ibid.* § 3.

The lots to be held and assessed according to the said correction. *Ibid.* § 4, 5.

The registers directed to make out for the commissioners of the tax a list of all grants between the fifteenth of March, 1797, and the fifteenth of March, 1798, expressing the names, &c. and also a list of all certificates ready for patent since the fifteenth of March, 1797. *Ibid.* ch. 89, § 36.

To make out, (after the year 1798,) annually, between the first of January and the first of March, for the commissioners, a list of all certificates ready for patent, expressing the names, &c. *Ibid.* § 37.

Such lists directed to be delivered to the sheriffs of Anne-Arundel and Talbot counties by the registers respectively, to be forwarded as public letters. *Ibid.* § 39.

Compensation to the registers. *Ibid.* § 40.

Lists of land alienated to be forwarded by the clerks of the general court. *Ibid.* § 38.

No caveat shall be entered where composition money is due on a certificate, unless the party shall make oath or affirmation, that he conceives he has good cause for entering the same, and has pretensions to the land, or a part thereof, and that the caveat is not entered to favour the party, by enabling him to prolong the time for payment of the composition money, or made at his request, or at the request of another person. *Ibid.* ch. 114, § 9.

No caveat hereafter entered shall remain in force longer than twelve months from the entering thereof, unless under the special circumstances the chancellor or judge shall so order and direct. *Ibid.* § 10.