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## CHAPTER 49.

Passed Jan.  
24, 1826.

An act to alter and change the names of John A. Johnson, Hezekiah Johnson, Zachariah Johnson, Uriah Johnson and Catharine Johnson, of Charles county, to John A. Bowie, Hezekiah Bowie, Zachariah Bowie, Uriah Bowie and Catharine Bowie.

Names changed

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the names of John A. Johnson, Hezekiah Johnson, Zachariah Johnson, Uriah Johnson and Catharine Johnson be, and are hereby altered and changed unto the names of John A. Bowie, Hezekiah Bowie, Zachariah Bowie, Uriah Bowie and Catharine Bowie; and it shall and may be lawful for the said John A. Johnson, Hezekiah Johnson, Zachariah Johnson, Uriah Johnson and Catharine Johnson; at all times hereafter to be called and known by, and hold and use the names of John A. Bowie, Hezekiah Bowie, Zachariah Bowie, Uriah Bowie and Catharine Bowie, and by these names to purchase, sell, convey or devise, and to sue and be sued, in any court of law or equity:

Acts confirmed

2. *And be it enacted,* That all sureties, promises, contracts, assurances, deeds and other lawful acts whatever hereafter to be made or done by or to the said John A. Johnson, Hezekiah Johnson, Zachariah Johnson, Uriah Johnson and Catharine Johnson, by the names of John A. Bowie, Hezekiah Bowie, Zachariah Bowie, Uriah Bowie and Catharine Bowie, shall be of the same force and effect, and equal avail to all intents and purposes, as if the names of John A. Bowie, Hezekiah Bowie, Zachariah Bowie, Uriah Bowie and Catharine Bowie had been their true and proper names:

## CHAPTER 50.

Passed Jan.  
28, 1826.  
Limit.

An act to limit the operation and effect of mortgages.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That no mortgage or deed of that nature, that may be executed after the first day of August, one thousand eight hundred and twenty six, shall operate or be construed to operate; either in law or in equity, as a lien or charge, on any estate or property whatsoever, for any other or different principal sum or sums of money than the principal sum or sums that shall appear on the face of such mortgage, and be specified and recited therein, and particularly mentioned and expressed to be secured thereby, at the time of executing the same.