

Lloyd Buchanan and William P. Stewart, shall be a lien on their real and personal property, nor shall any process against their real or personal property have any effect thereon, except writs of *fieri facias* actually and *bonâ fide* laid before the passage of this act.

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XI.

VII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said court may allow any trustee, to be appointed by virtue of this act, such commission for his trouble as they shall think reasonable, not exceeding eight *per centum*; and if any complaint shall be made to the said court of the conduct of the trustee, by any creditor interested in the distribution of the estate, the said court may call such trustee before them, and inquire into the cause of complaint in a summary way, and make such rules and orders as shall be judged necessary for the accomplishment of the object of the trust, and punish the said trustee as for a contempt, in case of his not obeying the same, and if the said court think it necessary, they may remove such trustee, and appoint another person in his place.

Court may allow a commission, &c.

VIII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if the said David C. Stewart, Lloyd Buchanan and William P. Stewart, or either of them, shall be arrested or imprisoned on any process sued out on any judgment or decree against him or them for any debt, damages or costs, contracted, owing or growing due, in virtue of the aforesaid copartnership, before the first day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and six, the court out of which such process issued, or any judge as aforesaid, shall and may discharge the said David C. Stewart, Lloyd Buchanan and William P. Stewart, or either of them, on motion; and if the said David C. Stewart, Lloyd Buchanan and William P. Stewart, or either of them, shall be arrested or imprisoned on any process for the recovery of any debt, damages or costs, contracted, owing or growing due, in virtue of the copartnership aforesaid, before the first day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and six, the court before whom such process shall be returnable, or any judge as aforesaid, shall and may discharge the said David C. Stewart, Lloyd Buchanan and William P. Stewart, out of custody, on his or their entering, or agreeing to enter, their common appearance to the said action, and no special bail shall be required of them, or either of them; provided, that the discharge of the said David C. Stewart, Lloyd Buchanan and William P. Stewart, shall not acquit any other person from such debt, damages and costs, or any part thereof, but that all such persons shall be answerable for the same in the same manner they were before the passing of this act.

If arrested, to be discharged, &c.

IX. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any of the partnership creditors of the said David C. Stewart, Lloyd Buchanan and William P. Stewart, shall, at any time within two years after their discharge, allege, in writing, to the said court in court sitting, that the said David C. Stewart, Lloyd Buchanan and William P. Stewart, have, directly or indirectly, sold, conveyed, lessened, or otherwise disposed of, or intrusted or concealed, any part of their property of any kind, or any part of their debts, rights or claims, with intent thereby wilfully and corruptly to deceive and defraud their creditors, or to secure the same for their benefit, or to receive or expect any profit, benefit or advantage thereby, the said court may thereupon examine the said David P. Stewart, Lloyd Buchanan and William P. Stewart, on interrogatories on oath, for the discovery of their property, or any concealment thereof, and respecting their conduct touching the same, or the said court may direct an issue or issues to be tried in the said court, to determine the truth of any allegation made by the said David C. Stewart, Lloyd Buchanan and William P. Stewart, and if they shall be so found to have committed any such corrupt and wilful fraud and deceit of their creditors, they shall be precluded from having any benefit of this act; and in case the said David C. Stewart, Lloyd Buchanan and William P. Stewart, shall, at any time within two years as aforesaid, upon any indictment, be convicted of wilfully, falsely and corruptly swearing to any matter or thing in their oath aforesaid contained, they shall suffer as in case of wilful and corrupt perjury, and likewise be liable to their creditors, and be wholly deprived of any relief or benefit of this act.

In case of fraud debtors may be examined, &c.

X. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in case of the death of either of the said petitioners before relief shall be obtained under this act, the survivors or survivor, upon complying with the terms of this act on his or their part, shall be entitled to the full benefit hereby given, and be subject to all the pains and penalties thereof.

Survivors to have the benefit, &c.

C H A P. XII.

An ACT annulling the marriage of Charles Farrow, and Anne his wife.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the marriage of the said Charles Farrow, and Anne his wife, heretofore solemnized, be, and the same is hereby declared to be, absolutely, and to all intents and purposes, null and void and that the said Charles Farrow, and Anne his wife, are hereby declared to be divorced *a vinculo matrimonii*.

Passed 9th of June, 1809. Marriage declared void.