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**An Act to enable infants, with the approbation of the Court of Chancery, to make binding settlements of their real and personal estate on marriage.**

*18 & 19 Vict.,  
c. 43 extended by  
23 of 1860  
27 of 1976*

*[Commencement 2nd July, 1855]*

1. [This Act may be cited as the Infants' Settlements Act]

Short title.

2. It shall be lawful for every Infant upon or in contemplation of his or her Marriage, with the Sanction of the court of Chancery, to make a valid and binding Settlement or Contract for a Settlement of all or any Part of his or her Property, or Property over which he or she has any Power of Appointment, whether Real or Personal, and whether in Possession, Reversion, Remainder, or Expectancy; and every Conveyance, Appointment, and Assignment of such Real or Personal Estate, or Contract to make a Conveyance, Appointment, or Assignment thereof, executed by such Infant, with the Approbation of the said Court, for the Purpose of giving Effect to such Settlement, shall be as valid and effectual as if the Person executing the same were of the full Age of Eighteen Years:

Infants may with the Approbation of the court of Chancery, make valid Settlements or Contracts for Settlements of their Real and Personal Estate upon Marriage.

*27 of 1976, s. 2.*

Provided always that this Enactment shall not extend to Powers of which it is expressly declared that they shall not be exercised by an Infant.

3. Provided always that in case any Appointment under a Power of Appointment, or any disentailing Assurance, shall have been executed by any Infant Tenant in Tail under the Provisions of this Act, and such Infant shall afterwards die under Age, such Appointment or disentailing Assurance shall thereupon become absolutely void.

In case Infant die under Age, Appointment, etc., to be void.

4. The Sanction of the Court of Chancery to any such Settlement or Contract for a Settlement may be given, upon Petition presented by the Infant or his or her Guardian, in a summary Way without the Institution of a Suit; and if there be no Guardian, the Court may require a

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Guardian to be appointed or not, as it shall think fit; and the Court also may, if it shall think fit, require that any Persons interested or appearing to be interested in the Property should be served with Notice of such Petition.

Not to apply to  
Infant under 17  
years or age.  
*27 of 1976, s. 2.*

**5.** Provided always that nothing in this Act contained shall apply to any Infant under the Age of Seventeen Years.