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### CHAPTER XLIII.

### USES AND TRUSTS.

- 1 Section 1. Uses and trusts, except as authorized and
- 2 modified in this chapter, are abolished; and every estate C.S. p. 882, Sect. 1.
- 3 and interest in lands shall be deemed a legal right, cogniza-
- 4 ble as such in the courts of law, except when otherwise pro-
- 5 vided by statute.
- 1 SECT. 2. Every estate which is now held as a use, exe-c.s. p. 382, Sect. 2.
- 2 cuted under the laws, as they formerly existed, is confirmed
- 3 as a legal estate.
- 1 Sect. 3. Every person who, by virtue of any grant, as-
- 2 signment, or devise, is entitled to the actual possession of c. s. p. 382, Sect. 3
- 3 lands, and the receipt of the rents and profits thereof, in
- 4 law or equity, shall be deemed to have a legal estate there-
- 5 in, of the same quality and duration, and subject to the
- 6 same conditions as his beneficial interest.
- 1 Sect. 4. The preceding section shall not divest the es-
- 2 tate of any trustees in any existing trust, where the title of c. s. p. 382, Sect. 4
- 3 such trustees is not merely nominal, but is connected with
- 4 some power of actual disposition, or management, in rela-
- 5 tion to the lands which are the subject of the trust.
- 1 Sect. 5. Every disposition of lands, whether by deed
- 2 or devise, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, c.s. p. 382, sect. 5.
- 3 shall be made directly to the person in whom the right to
- 4 the possession and profits is intended to be vested, and not
- 5 to any other, to the use of, or in trust for such person; and
- 6 if made to one or more persons in trust for, or to the use
- 7 of another, no estate or interest, legal or equitable, shall
- 8 vest in the trustee.
- 1 SECT. 6. The preceding sections of this chapter shall
- 2 not extend to trusts arising or resulting by implication of C.S.p. 382, Sect. 6.
- 3 law; nor be construed to prevent, or affect, the creation of
- 4 such express trusts as are hereinafter authorized and de-
- 5 fined.
- 1 Sect. 7. When a grant for a valuable consideration is
- 2 made to one person, and the consideration therefor is paid C.S.p. 382, Sect. 7.
- 3 by another, no use, or trust, shall result in favor of the

- 4 person by whom such payment is made; but the title shall 5 vest in the person named as the alience, in such conveyance, 6 subject only to the provisions of the next section.
- C. S. p. 382, Sect. 8. Amended.
- SECT. 8. Every such conveyance shall be presumed 2 fraudulent as against the creditors at that time of the per-3 son paying the consideration; and when a fraudulent intent 4 is not disproved, a trust shall result in favor of such creditors, to the extent that may be necessary to satisfy their just 6 demands.

C. S. p. 382, Sect. 9.

The preceding seventh section shall not ex-Sect. 9. 2 tend to cases where the alience named in the conveyance, 3 has taken the same as an absolute conveyance, in his own 4 name, without the knowledge, or consent, of the person paying the consideration; or when such alience, in violation of some trust, has purchased the lands so conveyed, 7 with moneys belonging to another person.

C. S. p. 382, Sect. 10.

SECT. 10. No implied or resulting trust shall be alleged, 2 or established, to defeat, or prejudice, the title of a pur-3 chaser for a valuable consideration, and without notice of 4 such trust.

C. S. p. 382, Sect. 11.

SECT. 11. Express trusts may be created for any, or 2 either, of the following purposes:

First.—To sell lands for the benefit of creditors.

- Second.—To sell, mortgage, or lease lands, for the bene-5 fit of legatees, or for the purpose of satisfying any charge thereon.
- Third.—To receive the rents and profits of lands, and 8 apply them to the use of any person, during the life of such 9 person, or for any shorter term, subject to the rules pre-10 scribed in the last preceding chapter.
- Fourth.—To receive the rents and profits of lands, and 12 to accumulate the same, for either of the purposes, and
- 13 within the limits prescribed in chapter forty-five.

Sect. 12. A devise of lands to executors or other trus-2 tees, to be sold or mortgaged when such trustees are not 3 also empowered to receive the rents and profits, shall vest 4 no estate in the trustees; but the trust shall be valid as a 5 power, and the lands shall descend to their heirs, or pass 6 to the devisees of the testator, subject to the execution of 7 the power.

C. S. p. 383, Sect. 13.

SECT. 13. When a trust is created to receive the rents 2 and profits of lands, and no valid direction for accumulation 3 is given, the surplus of such rents and profits beyond the 4 sum that is necessary for the education and support of the CHAP, XLIII.]

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- 5 person for whose benefit the trust is created, shall be liable 6 in equity to the claims of the creditors of such person, in 7 the same manner as other personal property which cannot
- 8 be reached by an execution at law.
- SECT. 14. When an express trust is treated for any purpose, not enumerated in the preceding sections of this chap-c.s.p. 333, Sect. 14. 2 32-3 ter, no estate shall vest in the trustees, but the trust, if di-
- 4 recting or authorizing the performance of any act which may
- 5 be lawfully performed under a power, shall be valid as a 6 power in trust, subject to the provisions in relation to such
- 7 powers contained in the next succeeding chapter.
- 1 SECT. 15. In every case where the trust is valid as a 2 power, the land to which the trust relates shall remain in, c.s.p.383, Sect. 15.
- 3 or descend to, the persons otherwise entitled, subject to the
- 4 execution of the trust as a power.
- 1 Sect. 16. Every express trust valid as such in its crea-
- 2 tion, except as herein otherwise provided, shall vest the c.s.p.333, sect.16.
  3 whole estate in the trustees, in law and in equity, subject
- 4 only to the execution of the trust; and the person for whose
- 5 benefit the trust was created, shall take no estate or interest
- 6 in the lands, but may enforce the performance of the trust
- 7 in equity.
- 1 Sect. 17. The preceding section shall not prevent any 2 person creating a trust, from declaring to whom the lands c.s. p. 883, Sect. 17.
- 3 to which the trust relates, shall belong, in the event of the
- 4 failure or termination of the trust; nor shall it prevent him
- 5 from granting or devising such lands subject to the execu-6 tion of the trust; and every such grantee shall have a legal
- 7 estate in the lands as against all persons except the trustees
- 8 and those lawfully claiming under them.
- 1 Sect. 18. When an express trust is created, every es-
- 2 tate and interest not embraced in the trust, and not other- C.S. p. 383, Sect. 18.
- 3 wise disposed of, shall remain in or revert to the person
- 4 creating the trust, or his heirs, as a legal estate.
- 1 Sect. 19. No person beneficially interested in a trust
- 2 for the receipt of rents and profits of the lands, can assign, c.s.p. 885, Sect. 19.
- 3 or in any manner dispose of such interest: but the rights
- 4 and interest of every person for whose benefit a trust for
- 5 the payment of a sum in gross, is created, are assignable.
- 1 Sect. 20. When an express trust is created, but is not c.s.p.383, Sect.20. 2 contained or declared in the conveyance to the trustees,
- 3 such conveyance shall be deemed absolute as against the
- 4 subsequent creditors of the trustees not having notice of the

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5 trust, and as against purchasers from such trustees, without 6 notice, and for a valuable consideration.

d 3 7 0. S. p. 384, Sect. 21.

1 SECT. 21. When the trust is expressed in the instru-2 ment creating the estate, every sale, conveyance, or other 3 act of the trustees in contravention of the trust, shall be ab-4 solutely void.

C. S. p. 384, Sect. 22.

1 SECT. 22. No person who actually, and in good faith 2 makes any payment to a trustee, which the trustee as such 3 is authorized to receive, shall be responsible for the proper 4 application thereof, according to the trust; nor shall any 5 right or title derived by such person from the trustee, in 6 consideration of such payment, be impeached or called in 7 question in consequence of any misapplication of such payment by the trustee.

C. S. p. 384, Sect. 23.

1 Sect. 23. When the purposes for which an express 2 trust is created, cease, the estate of the trustee shall also 3 cease.

C. S. p. 384, Sect. 24.

1 SECT. 24. Upon the death of the surviving trustee of an 2 express trust, the trust estate shall not descend to his heirs, 3 nor pass to his personal representatives; but the trust, if 4 then unexecuted, shall vest in the district court, with all 5 the powers and duties of the original trustees, and shall be 6 executed by some person appointed for that purpose, under 7 the direction of the court.

C. S. p. 384, Sect. 25.

1 Secr. 25. Upon the petition of any trustee of an ex-2 press trust, the district court may accept his resignation 3 and discharge him from the trust under such regulations as 4 shall be established by the court for that purpose, and upon 5 such terms as the rights and interests of the person interes-6 ted in the execution of the trust require.

C. S. p. 384, Sect. 26.

1 Sect. 26. Upon the complaint of any person interested 2 in the execution of an express trust, and under such regula-3 tions as shall be established by the court for that purpose, 4 the district court may remove any trustee who has violated 5 or threatened to violate his trust, or who is insolvent, or 6 whose insolvency is apprehended, or who, for any other 7 cause, is deemed an unsuitable person to execute the trust.

C. S. p. 384, Sect. 27.

1 SECT. 27. The district court has full powers to appoint 2 a new trustee in the place of a trustee resigned or removed; 3 and when in consequence of such resignation or removal, 4 there is no acting trustee, the court, in its discretion. may 5 appoint new trustees, or cause the trust to be executed by 6 one of its officers under its direction.