

The terms of the members shall be for three years from the dates of their respective appointments.

Five members of the Advisory Council shall constitute a quorum. Each member of the Advisory Council shall be paid travelling expenses and other necessary expenses, and per diem compensation at the rate of fifteen dollars per day for each day of actual service.

The Advisory Council shall meet not less than twice yearly or oftener on the call of the chairman.

Section 4. Said act is hereby further amended by adding, after section 2209, a new section to read as follows:

Said act further amended by adding, after section 2209, a new section numbered 2209.1.

Section 2209.1. The Advisory Council on Affairs of the Handicapped.—The Advisory Council on Affairs of the Handicapped shall have the power and its duties shall be to act in an advisory capacity to all agencies of the State government dealing with the problems of the physically handicapped, including the State Board of Vocational Rehabilitation, the State Employment Service and the State Council of the Blind, and any other agency having a substantial part of the handicapped program, with a view of coordinating and improving these services so as to render better service to the handicapped and to effectuate as far as possible greater economy in the operation of these State services.

Section 5. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 28th day of July, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 198

AN ACT

Empowering a court in which is pending an action on behalf of the estate of a decedent to make an order approving a compromise or settlement of such action; and to approve an agreement for counsel fees and other proper expenses incident to such action; and providing that the order of such court shall not be collaterally attacked in the Orphans' Court having jurisdiction of the accounts of the personal representative of such decedent's estate; and requiring such personal representative to file a copy of such order in the office of the Register of Wills and to enter additional security in certain cases.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Decedents' estates.

Section 1. Whenever it is desired to compromise or settle an action in which damages are sought to be recovered on behalf of the estate of a decedent, any court in which such action is pending and which has jurisdiction thereof may, upon oral motion by plaintiff's

Compromise or settlement of suit by court order.

Counsel fees and other expenses.

Court order not subject to collateral attack in Orphans' Court.

Personal representative to file copy of court order in office of Register of Wills.

Additional security.

Act effective immediately.

counsel of record in such action, or upon petition by the personal representative of such decedent, make an order approving such compromise or settlement. Such order may approve an agreement for the payment of counsel fees and other proper expenses incident to such action.

Section 2. The order of the court approving such compromise or settlement or an agreement for the payment of counsel fees and other expenses shall not be subject to collateral attack in the Orphans' Court in the settlement of the decedent's estate.

Section 3. The personal representative shall file a copy of the order of the court approving such compromise or settlement in the office of the Register of Wills by whom his letters were granted. When the personal representative has been required to give bond, he shall not receive the proceeds of any such compromise or settlement until the Register of Wills has made an order excusing him from entering additional security or requiring additional security, and in the latter event, only after he has entered the additional security.

Section 4. This act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 28th day of July, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 199

AN ACT

To amend section 403 of the act, approved the sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 69), entitled "An act relating to the rights, obligations and liabilities of landlord and tenant and of parties dealing with them and amending, revising, changing and consolidating the law relating thereto," by clarifying provisions relating to exemption from execution of certain property by landlord for nonpayment of rent.

"The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951."

Section 403, act of April 6, 1951, P. L. 69, amended.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 403 of the act, approved the sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 69), entitled "An act relating to the rights, obligations and liabilities of landlord and tenant and of parties dealing with them and amending, revising, changing and consolidating the law relating thereto," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 403. Exemption of Property on Premises Under Lease or Conditional Sale Contract.—The following personal property loaned to or leased or hired by