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# Private Acts of 1987 Chapter 4

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**SECTION 1.** The General Sessions Court of White County is vested with exclusive jurisdiction relating to the probate of wills and the administration of estates and related matters enumerated in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-16-107, which jurisdiction was formerly exercised by the County Court presided over by the County Judge in White County and transferred to the General Sessions Court pursuant to Chapter 327 of the Private Acts of 1972. All acts of the General Sessions Court and the Circuit Court Clerk pursuant to such act are hereby ratified and approved.

**SECTION 2.** Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in White County shall perform all clerking duties related to the jurisdiction assigned to the General Sessions Court of White County by this Act. The Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in White County shall perform the duties relating to the administration of estates as required by Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 18-6-106, but shall not perform any judicial function with regard to the jurisdiction vested in the General Sessions Court of White County by this Act.

**SECTION 3.** The custody of all records relating to the jurisdiction vested in the General Sessions Court of White County by this Act shall be vested in the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of White County. The officials of other offices in the county holding any such records shall transfer them to the custody of said clerk and master.

**SECTION 4.** This Act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the county legislative body of White County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the county legislative body and certified by him to the Secretary of State.

**SECTION 5.** For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this Act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 4.

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