Chapter 152

(Senate Bill 121)

AN ACT concerning

Courts - Discovery - Examination in Aid of Enforcement of Money Judgment

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a circuit court and the District Court, in ruling on a certain request by a judgment creditor for an examination in aid of enforcement of a certain judgment, from requiring the judgment creditor to show that good cause exists for the examination; authorizing a circuit court and the District Court to require a judgment creditor to show that good cause exists for a certain examination under certain circumstances; and generally relating to an examination in aid of enforcement of a money judgment entered or recorded in a circuit court or in the District Court.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings Section 11–404 Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

11-404.

- (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO AN EXAMINATION IN AID OF ENFORCEMENT OF A MONEY JUDGMENT ENTERED OR RECORDED IN A CIRCUIT COURT OR IN THE DISTRICT COURT.
- (B) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, IN RULING ON A REQUEST BY A JUDGMENT CREDITOR FOR AN EXAMINATION IN AID OF ENFORCEMENT, THE COURT MAY NOT REQUIRE THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR TO SHOW THAT GOOD CAUSE EXISTS FOR THE EXAMINATION.
- (2) THE COURT MAY REQUIRE A JUDGMENT CREDITOR TO SHOW THAT GOOD CAUSE EXISTS FOR THE EXAMINATION OF A PERSON IF THE COURT GRANTED A REQUEST BY THE JUDGMENT CREDITOR FOR AN EXAMINATION OF THE SAME PERSON WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2015.

Approved by the Governor, May 12, 2015.