

- (b) sell any securities purchased pursuant to subsection (1) (b),

and until any money so withdrawn or derived from the sale of any securities, as the case may be, is applied to such purposes as aforesaid the Administrator-General shall, subject to any order of a court of competent jurisdiction, deal with such money in accordance with such general or special directions as may be given by the Minister :

Provided always that the Administrator-General shall never expend the money of one trust or estate for the purposes of another trust or estate.

Administration

When Administrator-General entitled to administration.

12. The Administrator-General shall be entitled to, and it shall be his duty to apply for, letters of administration to the estates of all persons who shall die intestate without leaving a widower, widow, brother, sister, or any lineal ancestor or descendant, or leaving any such relative if no such relative shall take out letters of administration within three months, or within such longer or shorter time as the Court to which application for administration is made, or the Judge thereof may direct; and also to the estates of all persons who shall die leaving a will but leaving no executor, or no executor who will act, if no such relative as aforesaid of such deceased shall, within the time aforesaid, take out letters of administration to his estate. The Administrator-General shall be entitled to such letters of administration in all cases in which, if this Act had not been passed, letters of administration to the estates of such persons might have been granted to any administrator :

Provided that this section shall not apply to the estates of deceased persons for the administration of whose estates provision is made by law, nor to estates where the total value of the personal property does not exceed five thousand

dollars, but it shall be lawful to appoint the Administrator-General, with his consent, administrator of any estate, notwithstanding that the total value of the personal property does not exceed five thousand dollars.

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Time for
application.

13. In cases falling within the preceding section, it shall be lawful for the Administrator-General to apply for letters of administration to any deceased person's estate within three months after the death of such person, if it appears likely that no other person will take out letters of administration to such estate, and that injury to the estate is likely to result from delay in obtaining administration to the estate. On any such application the Court may give such decision as it thinks fit.

14. If any letters of administration, granted to the Administrator-General are revoked, he shall not be adjudged to pay any of the costs of such revocation, unless the Court shall be satisfied that he acted improperly in obtaining such administration, or in opposing the revocation thereof.

Costs on
revocation
of
administra-
tion.

15. Letters of administration to the Administrator-General shall, subject to this Act, be granted on the like occasions, to the same extent, on the payment of the same fees and duties, and in the same way, as letters of administration would have been granted if this Act had not been passed, and all proceedings to obtain or to oppose such administration, or otherwise in any way relating to such administration, shall, subject only to the provisions of this Act, be the same as if this Act had not been passed.

Administra-
tion pro-
ceedings by
him, same
as in other
cases.

16. On the grant of letters of administration to the Administrator-General, the property of the deceased shall vest in the Administrator-General, and be assets in his hands for the payment of the debts and liabilities of the deceased, in the same way, and to the same extent in all respects, as such property would have vested in and been assets in the

Vesting of
property.