

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §44-10-13

§44-10-13. Powers of chancery courts over guardians; when and how real estate may be sold for maintenance and education of wards.

The circuit court, in chancery, may hear and determine all matters between guardians and their wards, require settlement of the guardianship accounts, remove any guardian for neglect or breach of trust, and appoint another, or order another to be appointed, in his stead, and make any orders for the custody and tuition of an infant, and the management, preservation and investment of his estate; and when it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of a circuit court on a bill in chancery, or by petition in a summary way, filed for the purpose by the guardian, that the proper maintenance and education, or other interests of an infant, require that the proceeds of his real estate, beyond the annual income thereof, should be applied to the use of such infant, it shall be lawful for the court to order the sale of, or to authorize a loan upon, his real estate, or such part thereof as may be necessary for the purpose, and, from time to time, make such decrees and orders as may be proper to secure the due application of the proceeds of such sale or loan; and to the extent that such proceeds may be so applied they shall be deemed personal estate, but no further. Every bill or petition filed under this section, and the proceedings thereon, shall conform to the procedure provided by law for authority to sell the real estate of an infant.