§ 28B-6. Powers and duties of receiver.

(a) Under the direction of a judge, the receiver shall administer the property of the absentee in military service as an equity receivership with the following powers:

- (1) To take custody and control of all property of the absentee in military service wherever situated.
- (2) To collect all debts due to the absentee in military service and pay all debts owed by him.
- (3) To bring and defend suits.
- (4) To pay insurance premiums.
- (5) With the approval of the judge in each instance, to continue to operate and manage any business enterprise, farm or farming operations, and to make necessary contracts with reference thereto.
- (6) With the approval of the judge in each instance, to renew notes and other obligations, obtain loans on life insurance policies, and pledge or mortgage property for loans necessary in carrying on or liquidating the affairs of such absentee in military service.
- (7) With the approval of the judge in each instance, to institute proceedings to partition property owned by the absentee and another as joint tenants or tenants in common, with or without the right of survivorship; provided, in the case of property owned by the absentee in military service and spouse as tenants by the entirety, such proceedings may be instituted only if the spouse of the absentee in military service consents in writing to the partitioning, and, in the event of partitioning, one half of the property or proceeds shall belong to the spouse and one half shall belong to the receiver as property of the absentee in military service.
- (8) With the approval of the judge in each instance, to sell, lease, invest, and reinvest any or all property, its income, or its proceeds.
- (9) To pay over or apply the proceeds of mortgage and sales of such portion, or all of the property or the income thereof, as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of the dependents of the absentee in military service. If the income from the property of the absentee in military service is not sufficient to pay all of his debts and to provide for the maintenance and support of his dependents, the receiver may apply to the judge for an order to sell or mortgage so much of the real or personal property as may be necessary therefor. Such sale or mortgage shall be reported to the judge, and if approved and confirmed by the judge, the receiver shall execute the required conveyances or mortgages of such property to the purchaser or lender upon his complying with the terms of sale or mortgage.

(b) The judge may, in his discretion, by written order, modify, add to, or subtract from the statutory powers granted in this section. (1973, c. 522, s. 6.)