

“the Police court of Baltimore city,” to consist of one judge, who shall hold his office for the term of ten years, and who shall be subject to all the provisions of this constitution with regard to the election and qualification of judges and their removal from office; and the said court shall have jurisdiction in all prosecutions for assault and battery; for keeping disorderly houses; for larceny where the property stolen does not exceed in value the sum of twenty dollars; in all prosecutions for receiving stolen goods, and knowing them to be stolen; and for selling goods without license; and it shall be the duty of the Legislature to provide for quarterly sessions of said court for the purpose of trying those cases in which a trial by jury may be demanded by the accused; and also to provide that the said court shall hold frequent sessions for the trial of cases, subject to its jurisdiction, in which the accused may not demand a jury trial. And the judge of said court shall receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars.

Sec. 19. There shall also be a clerk of the court of Common Pleas in Baltimore city, who shall also be the clerk of the superior court of Baltimore city, and the register in Chancery of the chancery court of the city of Baltimore; and there shall also be a clerk of the criminal court of Baltimore city, who shall also be the clerk of the Police court of Baltimore city, and each of said clerks shall be elected by a plurality vote of the qualified voters of the city of Baltimore, and shall hold his office for six years from the time of his election and until a new election is held, and be re-eligible thereto, subject in like manner, to be removed for wilful neglect of duty or other misdemeanor in office by presentment of a grand jury and conviction of a petit jury of said city. In cases of a vacancy in the office of a clerk, the judge or judges of the court, of which he was clerk, shall have the power to appoint a clerk until an election can be held, which shall take place under the directions of the sheriff, upon giving thirty days public notice thereof.

Sec. 20. There shall be a register of Wills for the city of Baltimore, to be elected by a plurality vote of the qualified voters of said counties and city respectively, and who shall hold his office for six years from the time of his election, and until a new election shall take place; and be re-eligible thereto subject to be removed for wilful neglect of duty, or other misdemeanor in office, in the same manner that the clerks of the county courts are removeable. The Legislature shall provide by law suitable annual salaries for such Registers of Wills, in lieu of the fees and perquisites as now established by law. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Register of Wills, said vacancy shall be filled by the judge of the court, until the next general election for Delegates to the Legislature shall be held, when his term of office shall expire.

Sec. 21. The Judges of the Court of Appeals, Judges of the inferior District Courts and Chancellor shall be subject to removal for incompetency, wilful neglect of duty, misdemeanor in office, and such other causes as may be prescribed by law, by presentment of