

Associate Justices of the Court of Appeals shall continue to act as such until the expiration of the term for which they were respectively elected, and until their successors are elected and qualified; and an election for a Justice of the Court of Appeals, to be taken from the fourth Judicial District, shall be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November, eighteen hundred sixty four.

Sec. 18. The Court of Appeals shall hold its sessions in the city of Annapolis, on the first Monday in April, and the first Monday in October, of each and every year, or at such other times as the General Assembly may by law direct, and it shall be competent for the Justices of said Court, sufficient cause appearing to them, temporarily to transfer their sittings elsewhere.

Sec. 19. The jurisdiction of the Court of Appeals, shall be co-extensive with the limits of the State, and such as now is or may hereafter be prescribed for it by law, and its sessions shall continue for not less than ten months in the year, if the business before it shall so require.

Sec. 20. Any three of the Justices of the Court of Appeals may constitute a quorum, but no cause shall be decided without the concurrence of at least three Justices in the decision, and in every case decided, an opinion in writing shall be filed within three months after the argument or submission of the cause, and the judgment of the Court shall be final and conclusive.

Sec. 21. The salary of the Justices of the Court of Appeals shall be three thousand dollars, each per annum, payable quarterly.

Sec. 22. Provision shall be made by law for publishing reports of all causes argued and determined in the Court of Appeals, which the Justices shall designate as proper for publication.

Sec. 23. The Court of Appeals shall appoint its own Clerk, who shall hold his office for six years, and may be re-appointed at the end thereof, he shall be subject to removal by the said Court for incompetency, neglect of duty, misdemeanor in office, or such other cause or causes as may be prescribed by law.

### PART III.

#### *Circuit Courts.*

Sec. 24. The State shall be divided into thirteen Judicial Circuits, in manner following: The counties of St. Mary's and Charles, shall constitute the first Circuit; the counties