

### TRIAL WITHOUT JURY—REMOVAL OF CASES.

SEC. 8. The parties to any cause may submit the same to the Court for the determination, without the aid of a jury.

### OFFICERS OF COURTS.

SEC. 9. The judge, or judges of any Court, may appoint such officers for their respective Courts as may be found necessary; and such officers of the Courts in the city of Baltimore shall be appointed by the Judges of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore city. It shall be the duty of the General Assembly to prescribe, by law, a fixed compensation for all such officers; and said judge, or judges, shall, from time to time, investigate the expenses, costs and charges of their respective Courts, with a view to a change or reduction thereof, and report the result of such investigation to the General Assembly for its action.

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## THE COURT OF APPEALS.

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### CONSTITUTION.—ARTICLE IV, PART 2ND.

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#### THE COURT OF APPEALS—HOW CONSTITUTED.

SEC. 14. The Court of Appeals shall be composed of the Chief Judges of the first seven of the several judicial circuits of the State, and a judge from the city of Baltimore specially elected thereto, one of whom shall be designated by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, as the Chief Judge; and in all cases until action by the Senate can be had, the judge so designated by the Governor, shall act as Chief Judge. The Judge of the Court of Appeals from the city of Baltimore shall be elected by the qualified voters of said city, at the election of judges to be held therein, as hereinbefore provided; and in addition to his duties, as Judge of the Court of Appeals, shall perform such other duties as the General Assembly shall prescribe. The jurisdiction of said Court of Appeals shall be co-extensive with the limits of the State, and such as now is, or may hereafter be, prescribed by law. It 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. Its sessions shall continue no less than ten