

act under their control and direction, as the clerk of a court of law is under the direction of the said court of law; and he shall give out and certify under the seal of the court, any copy of any part of the proceedings in the court, or in his office, which any person may demand, and he shall be entitled to a reward for any service by him done, according to the table of fees now or hereafter settled by law.

257. He shall attend his office daily in person or by deputy, unless prevented by sickness, accident, or necessity, for the dispatch of office business; he shall lodge every original paper and record by him made up, in some repository of the court house of the county or city, or in such other place of safety as the said court may appoint, and the County Commissioners of the county or Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall provide and keep in repair the said repository at the county's charge.

258. He may, in the recess of the Orphans' Court, receive inventories and accounts of sales, examine vouchers, and state guardians and administrators' accounts, subject to the review of and final passage or rejection by the Orphans' Court.

259. He may take probate of accounts against deceased persons' estates, that are proper to be brought before him, or before the Orphans' Court, for passage or settlement.

260. He may, in the recess of the Orphans' Court, pass any account against the estate of any deceased person, where the amount of such account or claim doth not exceed the sum of fifty dollars; and shall keep a record of every claim passed by him, in the same manner as of claims passed by the Orphans' Court.

261. He may, during the recess of the Orphans' Court, take the probate of wills, and grant letters testamentary or of administration.

262. He shall not demand, take, or receive from any person whatsoever, any fee, gratuity, gift, or reward, for giving his advice in any matter or thing relative to his office, under the penalty of one hundred dollars.