

263. He shall not plead as an attorney in any court in the county where he is register, for any person, on any pretence whatsoever; and shall not exact, extort, demand, take, accept or receive from any person whatsoever, any fee, gratuity, gift or reward, for giving his advice in any matter or thing that will be transacted in the courts of the county where he is register, under the penalty of one hundred dollars for each offence.

264. If a free negro applies to the Register of Wills of the county where the will is recorded, under which he claims his freedom, the register, on being satisfied that such negro is entitled to his freedom under such will, shall grant him a certificate thereof under the seal of his office, and shall set forth therein the height, age, complexion, when such negro became free, the place where he was raised, and such marks as may appear to such register to be notable in such negro; and the register shall keep a registry of each certificate granted by him.

265. No register shall grant a certificate of freedom to any negro who has before obtained one, unless such negro shall make oath that he has lost the former certificate of his freedom; and the register shall describe the negro applying for the same in the second certificate, in the same manner he is directed herein to describe him in the first, and shall register the same in the same manner.

266. In all cases where a Register of Wills has been appointed auditor for the purpose of ascertaining the sum for which judgment shall be rendered against any executor or administrator, it shall be his duty to act in virtue of such appointment, under the penalty of fifty dollars for every such neglect; and in all cases where a person other than the Register of Wills hath been appointed as aforesaid, who shall refuse to act, the Register of Wills shall be appointed auditor in the place of the person refusing, and shall forthwith proceed to discharge the duties thereof, under the penalty above mentioned. And the said register, and every other person who shall act as auditor, shall be allowed for his trouble the same fee as the register is by law entitled to receive for the stating an account of the same number of sides which any statement by him to be made as auditor shall contain, to be paid by the plaintiff to such auditor, and to be allowed to such plaintiff in his costs against the executor or administrator as other costs are taxed against them.