Under a proud confidence, that his whole character and conduct, public and private, will bear the closest and severest investigation,

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ment is confined strictly to the salary allowed by law to that single office. It seems to have been deemed, by the first General Assembly of the Republic, "a matter of the highest importance to keep the Court of the last resort totally distinct from all inferior jurisdictions." (*Votes & Pro. Sen.* 29th March, 1777.) But by the amendment of the Constitution, of the year 1805, the principle which had thus rigidly prohibited the holding of a plurality of offices was departed from or modified. The Chief Judges of the six judicial districts, it is directed, shall compose the Court of Appeals; and thus, as under the Provincial Government, the same person holds two distinct judicial offices; that is, he is Chief Judge of a district of County Courts, and also a Judge of the Court of Appeals.

The time.	By whom and how given.	The Chancellor		The Judge of Admiralty.	County Courts.		General Court.		Court of Appeals.
		as such	as Judge of Land Office.		Chief Judge.	Associate Judges.	Chief Judge.	Judge.	
Provincial. 1773	By the Lord Proprietary during pleasure, as Governor $2666.66, and to the same person as Chancellor in fees. Votes & Pro. H Del. Dec. 21, 1779; 7 Mass. His. So. 202.	1866.66	——	in fees 266.66	Justices the no	of peace pay.	1866.66	1600.00	533.33
Revolutionary & unsettl'd. 1777 Resolution 14th April, 1777		800.00	——	No Judge	Justices	of	$4 per	day.	No
1778 Resolution 12th December, 1777		2000.00	——	800.00	the	peace	same	same	Judges.
1779 Resolution 8th December, 1778		3333.33	——	1200.00	no	pay.	2986.66	2500.00	1333.33
	And by a Resolution of 29th December, 1779, as a compensation for this year	2333.33	——	1800.00	——	——	3749.33	——	——
1780 Resolution 24th December, 1779		3333.33	——	8000.00	——	——	2400.00	2400.00	8000.00
1781 Resolution 3d January, 1781		1600.00	——	533.33	——	——	1333.33	1333.33	533.33
1782 Civil list act 1781, ch. 29		2000.00	——	same	——	——	same	same	same
1783 Civil list act 1882, ch. 28		1600.00	——	same	——	——	same	same	same
1784 Civil list act 1783, ch. 31		same	——	same	——	——	same	same	same
1785 Civil list act 1784, ch, 68		1733.33	——	666.66	——	——	same	same	same
Secured by Declaration of Rights & Constitut'n. 1786 By 1785, ch. 27 and 74		1733.33	533.33	666.66	——	——	1600.00	1333.33	533.33
1787 to 1792 By 1785, ch. 27; 1786, ch. 41; 1787, ch. 6; 1788. ch. 41; 1789, ch. 49; 1790, ch. 52; 1791, ch. 74; and 1790, ch. 33; In 1792 Districts of Counties		same	266.66	same	1066.66	$2.66 a day.	same	same	same
1793 to96 By 1785, ch. 27; 1790, ch. 33; and 1792, cb. 76		2533.33	——	same	same	same	same	same	same
1797 By 1785, ch. 27; 1792, ch. 76; Resolution November, 1796 and 1796, ch. 43		2733.33	——	same	1200.00	$3.00 a day.	1800.00	1533.33	same
1798 By 1785, ch. 27; 1796, ch. 76; 1797, ch, 71, 50 and 79; to the Chief Judge of the third or Baltimore District, by 1797, ch. 69, $1400.		2933.33	——	same	1300.00	same	2266.66	2000.00	833.33
1799 By 1785, ch. 27; 1797, ch. 50, 69 and 79; and 1798, ch. 86		3400.00	——	same	same	same	same	same	same
1800 to 1805 By 1797, ch. 50 and 69; 1798, ch. 86; 1799, ch. 52; and 1801, ch. 74, s. 18		same	——	same	same	$4.00 a day.	same	same	1000.00 800.00
1806 to25 By 1798, ch. 86; 1804, ch. 55; and 1805, ch. 16 and 86.		same	——		1400.00	$140.00	same	same	or aggre. 2200.00

(Admiralty column note, 1793–1806: *From this Court an appeal could only be taken to the Court established by Congress, art. 9 Confed. art, 9 But it was virtually abolished by the present Constitution, 3 H. & McH. 109.*)

By adverting to the salaries which had been assigned to each of these offices down to 1801 it will be seen, that the salary now allowed to them, as thus combined in the same person, is nearly the same as the aggregate amount which had been allowed to them when held separately, and by distinct persons. Thus demonstrating it to have been the intention of the General Assembly, in giving a salary of only $2,200, to preserve a similar proportion between the compensation of the Judges of the Courts of original and appellate jurisdiction; that is, estimating about fourteen hundred dollars as a proper allowance for the discharge of the duties of the former, and only eight hundred dollars for the performance of the latter. It is then re-