DEPARTMENT OF LAW.

1898, ch. 123.

60. There shall be a Department of Law of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore; the head of said department shall be the City Solicitor.

1906, ch. 459.

61. The City Solicitor shall be appointed by the Mayor in the mode prescribed in Section 25 of this Charter, and hold his office as therein provided. He shall be a member of the Baltimore Bar, who has practiced his profession for not less than ten years in Baltimore City, and he shall receive a salary of forty-five hundred dollars per annum, payable monthly.

1898, ch. 123. 1904, ch. 112. 1906, ch. 206.

The City Solicitor shall be the legal advisor of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and its several departments, and special commissions or boards, and shall have general supervision and direction of all legal business of the city. He shall have charge and direction of the preparation and trial of all suits, actions and proceedings of every kind to which the city, or any municipal official, department, special commission or board, shall be a party in any Court, local, State or Federal, or before any Justice of the Peace, and when practicable, without conflict with his other duties, he shall personally participate in the trial of all such suits in any of the Federal Courts and in the Court of Appeals of Maryland, and of all such suits in other Courts which the Mayor may request him in writing to try, and shall discharge such other duties as as may from time to time be prescribed by ordinances not inconsistent with this Charter. He shall appoint in writing four assistants, to be known, respectively, as the Deputy City Solicitor and Assistant City Solicitors, all of whom shall be members of the Baltimore Bar, and shall hold their respective positions at salaries payable monthly of \$3,000 per annum for the Deputy City Solicitor and \$2,500 per annum for each of the said Assistant City Solicitors during the pleasure of the City Solicitor, who is hereby authorized to assign to them the performance, subject to his direction and control, of any of the duties required of him by this Charter, whether expressed to be personal to himself or not, excepting only such duties as pertain to his character as a member of the Board of Estimates or the Board of Awards. In case any vacancy shall occur in the office of the City Solicitor whether by death, resignation or otherwise, the Deputy City Solicitor shall perform all the duties appertaining to said office until the appointment and qualification of the new City Solicitor, and during the absence, sickness or other disability of the City Solicitor, the Deputy City Solicitor shall perform all the duties appertaining to the office of City Solicitor, including his duties as a member of the Board of Estimates and of the Board of Awards. In addition to such other duties as the City Solicitor may assign to him, one of the Assistant