docket and duplicate pleadings of all suits, actions, or proceedings in which the city, or any department or official thereof, is interested, pending in any Court or tribunal, upon which docket such appropriate entries shall be made as to show at all times the condition of each one of such cases. He shall also keep and record in a book to be provided for that purpose the original or duplicate copies of all written opinions furnished by the Law Department to the City, or to any department or official thereof, and also of all abstracts of title furnished to the city by the Law Department. He shall also procure as far as possible all legal opinions and abstracts of title which have heretofore been furnished to the city, or any department or official thereof, and shall file and arrange such opinions and abstracts in such manner and order as to be at all times readily accessible, and shall make and preserve an index thereof. He shall also procure all law books heretofore purchased by the city and in possession of any law officer or ex-law officer of the city, and arrange them in a proper bookcase.

## 1898, ch. 123.

The City Solicitor shall have authority, with the written approval of the Mayor, to institute on behalf of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, any suit, action or proceeding in any court or tribunal, local, State or Federal. All appeals on behalf of the city to the Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court of the United States, the United States Circuit Court of Appeals or to any other Court shall be taken upon the written order of the City Solicitor, approved by the Mayor.

M. & C. C. of Baltimore v. Turnpike Co., 80 Md. 536.

The City Solicitor and his assistant shall be allowed reasonable traveling expenses outside of the city, to be audited by the Comptroller, when on business connected with the Law Department.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

## 1898, ch. 123.

There shall be a Department of Public Safety of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, which shall consist of the Board of Fire Commissioners, Commissioner of Health, Inspector of Buildings\* and Commissioner of Street Cleaning,† and ex officio the Police Commissioner. The head of said department shall consist of a Board of Public Safety, composed of the President of the Board of Fire Commissioners, who shall be President of said Board, Commissioner of Health, Inspector of Buildings, Commissioner of Street Cleaning and the Police Commissioner. This Board shall be for consultation and advice, and it shall have no power to direct or control the duties or the work of any sub-department. It shall perform such other duties as may be required of it by ordinances not inconsistent with this Charter.

<sup>\*</sup>Now Buildings Engineer. See sec. 85A hereof, p. 929. †Now Engineer of Street Cleaning. See sec. 85A hereof, p. 930.